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“The Rally Guide has no regulatory power – for information only.”

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1. INTRODUCTION

Dear participants and guests,

On behalf of the organising committee, it is my great pleasure to welcome you to the **2015 CNP Asfaltistiki Cyprus Rally**.

The Cyprus Rally is becoming 44 years old and for decades, it has thrilled both fans and competitors, and I'm pleased to say we expect more of the same this year! With all our experience, we know exactly what it takes to make a rally a success, and we've gone all out this year to ensure that this will be repeated.

September is a great time in Cyprus. The temperature is cooling nicely after the long hot summer and there's a real sense of fun in and around the island's coastal resorts – like Larnaka the hosting city for the Ceremonial Start and the Finish.

Much like last year, the event is once again hosted in Nicosia. Being the capital, Nicosia offers an assortment of historical sites, a wealth of cafes, restaurants, and much, much more. Nicosia is a vibrant and lively blend of old and new. Last but not least, Nicosia is hosting once again the Nicosia Super Special Stage on Saturday, the 26th September, in the afternoon.

The HQ will be based in the well-known Filoxenia conference centre, that hosted the Cypriot Presidency of the EU in 2012. The Service Park will be situated close by at the Lieutenant General Evangelos Florakis street in Nicosia.

Competitors will head out from the city to tackle the special stages situated in the Nicosia and Larnaka districts. Our event will continue to feature mixed surface stages of gravel and tarmac, which we introduced to great success back in 2009.

Once again competitors from the European and the Middle East Rally Championships will come to Cyprus for the **2015 CNP Asfaltistiki Cyprus Rally**. I look forward to welcoming you to our island and hope I will see you all at the Ceremonial Start which will be held in the Larnaka promenade (Phoenikoudes) on Friday 25th September 2015.



Nayia Kontopoulou
Clerk of the Course

2. EVENT OVERVIEW / HISTORY

The Cyprus Rally was first held in 1970. Back then, it was a long, rough, tough and ultimately destructive event, with unattainable average speeds and controls placed to extract maximum time penalties. However, it was efficiently organised and overseas visitors enjoyed the warm hospitality and genuine friendliness of the event.

Despite suffering a two-year gap (1974/75), the rally quickly climbed the European coefficients, reaching coefficient 3 in 1978.

1982 saw the Cyprus Rally promoted to the top level in Europe and it went on to become one of the elite, when coefficient 20 was devised in 1988. From then, the goal was the World Championship.

The Cyprus organisers were thrown in at the deep end when the Rally was taken into the WRC as a last-minute replacement for the China Rally in May 2000, leaving them just four months in which to put everything together.

The event was a level playing field for the WRC teams as Armin Schwarz was the only driver to have competed on the island. A crushing start-to-finish victory gave Carlos Sainz his first win in the Ford Focus and his 23rd in the WRC. Team-mate Colin McRae came in second and François Delecour rounded off the top three for Peugeot.

The 2001 Rally moved from sweltering September to flaming June and Ford won again. This time Colin McRae took the honours. Richard Burns was runner-up for Subaru and Carlos Sainz was third in another Ford.

Marcus Grönholm won the 2002 Cyprus Rally, run in lashing April rainstorms, without winning a single stage! His Peugeot team-mate Burns was second and Tommi Mäkinen brought his Subaru home in third place.

In 2003, the rally was back to June and Subaru's Petter Solberg scored his first win of the season – a season that culminated in his taking the World Championship crown. Harri Rovanperä managed to hang on to second place in his Peugeot while Sébastien Loeb took third in the Citroën, leading the three double-chevrons to a 3-4-5 finish.

Sébastien Loeb was declared winner of the 2004 Cyprus Rally in the Citroën Xsara, after Marcus Grönholm was disqualified because of a technical infringement on the Peugeot 307 WRC. Estonian Markko Märtin was second, retaining the Manufacturers' Championship lead for Ford, and Carlos Sainz was third in the second Xsara.

2005 saw double world champion Loeb rack up the fourth of his record-breaking ten season's victories in his Citroën Xsara. When engine problems put paid to Marcus Grönholm's Peugeot and Petter Solberg's Subaru on the first day, Loeb pulled away from the rest of the field and eventually cruised to victory, 4m 09.5s ahead of Austrian Manfred Stohl, who took second in his OMV-backed Xsara. Third place went to Markko Märtin in the second Peugeot 307 WRC.

Loeb continued to rewrite the history books by securing a record-breaking 28th WRC victory at the 2006 Cyprus Rally. Partnered by Daniel Elena, Loeb's Citroen Xsara finished with a comfortable winning margin of 21.2 seconds over Grönholm's Ford Focus. Grönholm's team-mate Mikko Hirvonen was third overall in a second Focus.

In 2007, the Cyprus Rally was round 6 of the FIA Middle East Rally Championship (MERC) and Charalambos Timotheou became the first Cypriot driver to win the event since 1991, taking overall victory with Pambos Laos in their Mitsubishi EVO IX. Defending Middle East and P-WRC champ Nasser Al-Attiyah of Qatar and co-driver Chris Patterson came 2nd in their Subaru Impreza WRX STi, while Cypriots Dimitris Papasavvas and Vangelis Xenofontos, also in an Impreza WRX STi, completed the podium.

The Cyprus Rally was round 2 of the 2008 FIA Middle East Championship. Cypriot Nicos Thomas and co-driver SG Chips won the event in their Mitsubishi Lancer Evolution IX. At 20 years of age, Thomas was the youngest driver ever to win the Cyprus Rally and also the youngest driver to ever win a MERC event. Cypriot Savvas Savva secured 2nd place in their Mitsubishi Lancer Evo VIII, while Qatar's Nasser Al-Attiyah finished 3rd in his Subaru.

2009 marked a return to the WRC with the FxPro Cyprus Rally round 3 on the calendar. Sébastien Loeb - with Daniel Elena at his side - scored an emphatic victory in his Citroen C4 and made history by securing his landmark 50th WRC victory in the process! Finland's Mikko Hirvonen finished second in his Ford Focus, with Norwegian privateer Petter Solberg securing the last place on the podium in his Citroen Xsara.

2010 saw the FxPro Cyprus Rally join the Intercontinental Rally Challenge (IRC), while also serving double duty as an official round of the 2010 FIA Middle East Rally Championship (MERC). The final round of the 2011 IRC calendar, and round 7 of the MERC, the event saw defending Middle East Rally Champion Nasser Al-Attiyah of Qatar and his co-driver Giovanni Bernacchini of Italy steer their Ford Fiesta S2000 to a stunning victory. While Al-Attiyah had enjoyed an outstanding record of victories in Cyprus's Troodos Rally, this marked his first Cyprus Rally win. The inaugural Love Cyprus Golden Stage Rally, held immediately after the FxPro Cyprus Rally, was won in thrilling style by Norway's Andreas Mikkelsen and his co-driver Ola Floene in their Ford Fiesta S2000.

In 2011, the Cyprus Rally moved west to Pafos and saw Norway's Andreas Mikkelsen secure the IRC title on the final event of season. No fewer than five drivers had the chance to take the IRC title here, but it was Mikkelsen who proved the master, steering his Skoda Fabia S2000 to a worthy victory alongside co-driver Ola Floene. Qatari ace Nasser Al-Attiyah, who had been a favourite to take victory, was running second on the final day when engine failure ended his event prematurely. In a confident performance, Mikkelsen kept his cool to take the event and the season with phenomenal pace and considerable style. Immediately after the Cyprus Rally, Belgium's Thierry Neuville and co-driver Nicolas Gilsoul dominated the 2nd ever Cyprus Golden Stage Rally from the start, steering their Peugeot 207 S2000 to a well-earned victory with a bravura display of driving.

In 2012, the Cyprus Rally stays in Paphos. Final event of 2012 Intercontinental Rally Challenge and the penultimate round of FIA Middle East Rally Championship. Nasser Al-Attiyah and co-driver Giovanni Bernacchini steered their Ford Fiesta RRC to a memorable 3 minute 35.3 second victory over closest rival Andreas Mikkelsen. The Norwegian manage to win the 2012 Intercontinental Rally Challenge. Toshi Arai's performance was enough to see him finish the event in 3rd place overall and as the 1st among the IRC Production Cup drivers in a Subaru Impreza. Savvas Savva finish the rally 6th and he was first among the Cypriot Crews. Britain's Harry Hunt secured himself the IRC 2WD Cup in his Citroen DS3. He started the event locked in a battle with France's Robert Consani (Renault Clio R3) but Consani's event ended in SS4, leaving the route to the 2WD Cup clear for Hunt who just had to finish the event.

In 2013, the Cyprus rally moved to the capital after a long absence, while also serving double duty as an official round of the 2013 FIA Middle East Rally Championship. In truly imperious form, Nasser Al-Attiyah and Giovanni Bernacchini on board their Ford Fiesta RRC clinched victory and a ninth Middle-East Rallying Championship in the CNP Asfaltistiki Cyprus Rally 2013. With only Dubai left in the MERC the Qatari multi-champion can now set his sights on next years Rally Dakar. Almost three minutes behind them was Sheikh Khalid Al Qassimi and Scott Martin with their Citroen DS3 RRC. The battle for second place was glorious with the Emirati driver claiming second place only 4.7s in front of the Qatari rallying prodigy Abdulaziz Al-Kuwari and his co-driver Killian Duffy. In 4th place overall was 2010 MERC champion Misfer Al-Marri and Nicola Arena on board their Ford Fiesta RRC. Right behind them was the Cyprus championship leader Costas Georgiou "Chips" with Elena Pieri and their Mitsubishi Lancer.

CNP ASFALISTIKI Cyprus Rally 2014 was a one-of-a-kind event. Two sanctioned FIA rounds ran side by side with the 9th round of the ERC and the 5th round of the MERC both took place on the same weekend. Yazeed Al Rajhi rocked the island with a commanding win from Friday Super Special Stage in the streets of Nicosia. The Saudi with Michael Orr by his side battled Kajetan Kajetanowicz and Jaroslaw Baran of Poland throughout the rally. Abdul Aziz Al Kuwari was third overall with his Ford Fiesta while the Sheikh Khalid Al Qassimi finished fourth. Fifth place overall was the Portuguese crew of Bruno and Carlos Maghalaes and their Peugeot 208 T16. Christos Demosthenous and Pambos Laos finished six and first among the Cypriot crews.

4. CONTACT DETAILS

4.1. PERMANENT CONTACT DETAILS AND KEY OFFICIALS

Contact Details:

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Key Officials:

Clerk of the CourseNayia Kontopoulou
Deputy Clerk of the Course (ERC)Alexis Anninos
Deputy Clerk of the Course (MERC)George Papadakis
Assistant Clerk of the CourseLenia Kontopoulou
Competitors' Relations OfficerTBN
Press Relations OfficerPetros Soutzis
ASN Safety OfficerVassilis Erotokritou
ASN ScrutineerNicos Iacovou
Chief Medical OfficerPhilippos Allayiotis
Marshal's coordinatorTasos Trattos
Service Park ManagerEvagoras Pantelides
Super Special Stage CoordinatorElias Panayi
Rally SecretaryMemna Hadjipaschali

4.2. RALLY HQ CONTACT DETAILS

CAA Office (permanent Office up to Monday 21st September 2015)

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Fax: +357 22 31 34 82

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E-mail: caa@cytanet.com.cy

Rally HQ (as from Tuesday 22nd September 2015)

Filoxenia Conference centre, 17 Thrakis Street, CY-1311 Nicosia

Tel: T.B.A,

Fax: +357 22 313 482

Internet official website: <http://www.cyprusrally.com.cy>

E-mail: caa@cytanet.com.cy

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Pre-event fax no.: +357 22680920

Mobile telephone: +357 99643743

E-mail: press.cyprusrally@gmail.com

4.4. HQ OPENING HOURS & MEDIA CENTRE OPENING HOURS

Rally HQ Opening Hours

Up to Monday 21 st September 2015	08:00–18:00 hours
Tuesday 22nd September 2015	08:00–20:00 hours
Wednesday 23rd September 2015	06:00–20:00 hours
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Saturday 26 th September 2015	05:00–22:00 hours
Sunday 27th September 2015	06:30–23:00 hours

Media centre opening hours

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5. PROGRAMME AND CRITICAL DEADLINES

5.1 SCHEDULE BEFORE RALLY WEEK

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Wednesday 2nd September 2015	Date of issuing the Rally Guide
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Friday 11th September 2015	Publication of list of entries in seeded order

5.2 SCHEDULE DURING RALLY WEEK

Tuesday 22nd September 2015

08:00	Rally HQ and rally office opens
14:00-18:00	Collection of materials and documents
.....	Reconnaissance registration
.....	Collection of tracker systems for Reconnaissance
.....	Closing date for co-driver details

Wednesday 23rd September 2015

08:30-19:00	Reconnaissance
07:30-18:00	Collection of materials and documents
.....	Shakedown registration
07:30-09:00	Collection of tracker systems for Reconnaissance

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Thursday 24th September 2015

08:00-19:00	Reconnaissance
14:00-18:30	Administrative Checks (Nicosia Governmental test centre)
14:30-19:00	Scrutineering (Nicosia Governmental test centre)
19:00-19:30	Return of Reconnaissance tracker systems
19:00	Publication of starting order for Qualifying stage
19:30	ERC&MERC Team Managers & competitors briefing

Friday 25th September 2015

07:00-09:00	Free Practice (for FIA & ERC Drivers) (Potamia)
09:40	Qualifying Stage (for FIA & ERC Drivers) (Potamia)
12:00	Publication of the Qualifying Stage Provisional Results
12:30	Publication of the Qualifying Stage Final Results
10:30-12:00	Shakedown (Optional for All other Drivers) (Potamia)
13:00	First Stewards Meeting – MERC (Rally HQ)
13:30	Selection of Start Position for FIA & ERC Drivers (Press Office)
14:30	Pre-Event Press Conference (Press Office)
15:00	First Stewards Meeting – ERC (Rally HQ)
16:30-17:30	Cars in Starting Zone (Larnaca "Phoenikoudes")
17:00	Publication of List for Ceremonial Start
18:00-18:30	Autograph session (Larnaca "Phoenikoudes")
18:30	Ceremonial Start of the Rally (Larnaca "Phoenikoudes")
21:00	Publication of Start List for Leg 1 - Section 1

Saturday 26th September 2015

06:30	Start Leg 1
17:30	Super Special Stage - Nicosia
21:00	Publication of Unofficial Classification
21:00	Finish of Leg 1
21:30	Publication of Start List for Leg 2

Sunday 27th September 2015

08:00	Start of Leg 2
18:30	Finish of Leg 2/ Rally Finish/ Prize Giving
19:30	Final Scrutineering (Mercedes-Benz Garage - Larnaca)
19:30	Post event press conference
21:00	Publication of the Provisional Final Classification
21:30	Publication of the Final Official Classification

6. ENTRY DETAILS

6.1 Titles for which The Cyprus Rally 2015 counts:

FIA European Rally Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers
 FIA European Rally Championship for Teams
 FIA ERC2 Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers
 FIA ERC2 Championship for Teams
 FIA ERC3 Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers
 FIA ERC3 Championship for Teams
 ERC Ladies' Trophy
 ERC Gravel masters

FIA Middle East Rally Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers
FIA Middle East Rally Championship for Group N Drivers
FIA Middle East Rally Championship for 2WD Drivers
FIA Middle East Junior Rally Championship for Drivers
CAA National Rally Championship 2015

6.2. Entry Fees

6.2.1. With optional advertising proposed by the organisers:

PRIVATE ENTRANT

Entries at normal fee received up to Friday 21st August: **€1.500,00** including VAT (currently at 19%)
Entries at late fee received after Friday 21st August and before Friday September 4th: **€1.800,00** including VAT (currently at 19%).

LEGAL ENTRANT

Entries at normal fee received up to Friday 21st August: **€1.800,00** including VAT (currently at 19%).

Entries at late fee received after Friday 21st August and before Friday September 4th: **€2.200,00** including VAT (currently at 19%).

6.2.2. Without the optional advertising proposed by the organisers:

PRIVATE ENTRANT

Entries at normal fee received up to Friday 21st August: **€1.800,00** including VAT (currently at 19%)
Entries at late fee received after Friday 21st August and before Friday September 4th: **€2.500,00** including VAT (currently at 19%).

LEGAL ENTRANT

Entries at normal fee received up to Friday 21st August: **€2.200,00** including VAT (currently at 19%)
Entries at late fee received after Friday 21st August and before Friday September 4th: **€2.800,00** including VAT (currently at 19%).

Private or Legal Entrants not carrying the organiser's optional advertising must notify it on their Entry Form

6.2.3. Make Team Entries: €117 per car including VAT

The entry fees must be paid by bank transfer to the Organiser's bank account as per details below:

Bank: Hellenic Bank
Account Name: Cyprus Automobile Association
Account Number: 116-01-040105-01
IBAN Account no.: CY25 0050 0116 0001 1601 0401 0501
SWIFT BIC: HEBACY2N

Note: All expenses are payable by the Competitor
Payment must be made in Euro

Entry Packages

Package for ERC Registered Teams and Drivers

	ERC Team/Driver	ERC2 Team/Driver	ERC3 Team/ Driver
Vehicle plates per car:			
VIP (or guest) plates	2	1	1
Service plates	2	2	2
Auxiliary plates	2	1	1
Services: (*)			
Access to ERC service areas	Yes	Yes	Yes
Area in Service Park	150 m ² for 1 car 200m ² for 2 cars +50m ² for each additional car	100 m ² for 1 car 200 m ² for 2 cars +50m ² for each additional car	100 m ² for 1 car +50m ² for each additional car
Printed material and passes per car: (*)			
Regulations	2	2	2
Road Book sets	2	1	1
Route maps	2	2	1
Rally Guide	2	2	1

(*)= subject to available space and the agreement of the organiser and the ERC Promoter

(*)= minimum requirements – additional resources subject to negotiation between the competitor and the Rally Organiser

Package for all other entries

	Legal entry	Private Entry
Supplementary Regulations	2	1
Road Book	2	1
Official maps	2	2
Rally Guide	2	1
Service Plates	2	1
Auxiliary Plates	2	1
Personnel Passes	10	6

The Entry Form will be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fees or by a receipt issued by the competitor's National Sporting Authority.

7. SERVICE PARK

7.1 Information about Service Park

Location

The Service Park will be located at Lieutenant-General Evangelos Florakis Street (next to the Police HQ and the Police Road Safety Park), close to the Rally HQ.

GPS references of the **Service Park: N35 08.830 E033 22.594 (Service Out)**

During the Rally servicing is allowed only in the Service Park as defined in the FIA Regional Rally Championship Sporting Regulations. This Service Park is marked in the Road Book and the maps of the Rally.

Remote Service Park for Free Practice and Qualifying Stage is located near Potamia Village.

GPS references of the **Remote Service Park: N35 02.926 E033 25.760 (Remote Service In)**

Allocated surfaces in Service Park for ERC Teams and tyre Compounds:

FIA ERC registered drivers:

ERC1 category

150 m² for 1 rally car,
200 m² for 2 rally cars,
50 m² for each additional car.

ERC2 category

100 m² for 1 rally car,
200 m² for 2 rally cars,
50 m² for each additional car.

ERC3 category

100 m² for 1 rally car,
50 m² for each additional car.

Tyre Supplier : 200 m² per tyre supplier.

Allocated surfaces in Service Park for MERC Teams and NATIONAL Teams:

100 m² for 1 rally car,
200 m² for 2 rally cars (of the same Team),
50 m² for each additional car (For Teams of more than 2 competitors).

The teams/competitors may bring their auxiliary vehicles into the service park, as long as they park within their designated area **and only during the designated hours** (Designated hours to be announced during the collection of materials and documents – Rally HQ and on the Service Park's Official Notice Board). Otherwise these vehicles will have to be taken to the auxiliary parking adjacent to the Service Park.

The service area surface is "compact crusher run".

Crews requesting consecutive service area should indicate so by e-mail info@caa.com.cy to the Secretary of the Rally by September 4th, 2015 **at the latest**.

7.2 Admission to the Service Park

The Service Park will be opened from Sunday, September 20th 2015 at 09.00 for the ERC and MERC Registered Teams and Drivers and from Monday September 21st 2015 at 12.00 for the rest of the competitors.

All parties are kindly asked to respect these opening times.

On arrival all competitors should contact **Service Park Manager – Mr. Evagoras Pantelides** at the Coordination Office of the Service Park – **tel. number 00357 99 578 825**

Teams / competitors or Tyre Manufacturers wishing to bring equipment or sea containers to the Service Park area before the given opening time must inform the organiser thereof. Should the organiser not have received such notification, we cannot guarantee any access to the area. All costs of moving the equipment either within or outside the Service Park to its final position will be borne by the relevant owner of the equipment.

Competitors are kindly asked to remind all their team staff to always carry their Team Passes.

7.3 Opening hours and parking

The Service Park will be open as follows:

Sunday September 20th 2015..... 09:00–18:00 hours
Monday September 21st 2015.....09:00–20:00 hours
Tuesday September 22nd 2015.....09:00–21:00 hours
Wednesday September 23rd 2015.....06:00–21:00 hours
Thursday September 24th 2015.....07:00–21:00 hours
Friday September 25th 2015..... 05:00–22:00 hours
Saturday September 26th 2015..... 04:30–22:00 hours
Sunday September 27th 2015..... 06:00–22:00 hours
Monday September 28th 2015..... 08:00–12:00 hours

During the Rally only vehicles with affixed Auxiliary and Team plates will be given access to the Service Park. Auxiliary vehicles may only enter the Service Park to bring or collect personnel and/or equipment during the following times:

TBA during the collection of materials and documents – Rally HQ and on the Service Park's Official Notice Board

Every infringement will be sanctioned by the Clerk of the Course with penalty of €100,00.

Service Park is **one-way direction** both for Rally cars as well as the team and auxiliary vehicles. Maximum speed inside the Service Park is limited to 20 km/h.

The auxiliary or Team sticker must be fixed to the top right of the front windscreen.

Due to restricted room in the Service Park, all trailers and tractor units **must be removed** to the designated parking area. You can get all the information regarding this parking area upon your arrival in the service park. Parking of Auxiliary, Media-Tabards, Media and VIP vehicles will be located in the car park outside the service park.

During the night Service Park will be closed. If any privateer teams wish to accommodate their staff in their service area, this must be agreed with the Service Park Manager.

7.4 Facilities in the Service Park

7.4.1 All ERC Teams and tyre compound will have access to:

- Power 220 / 240 volts (1X16A)
- Running water
- Internet access

7.4.2. The organiser will provide the following facilities in the Service Park free of charge:

- Waste collection for mixed waste, oil, paper, etc.
- General Toilet facilities
- General lighting
- General security
- Running water (direct pipelines to Registered Teams plus common sources for others)

7.4.3 Ordering of extra facilities

Facilities	Price (€) All Prices VAT Excluded
Toilet Rent	€120,00/Unit
Toilet emptying and cleaning	€40,00/Visit
Motor home septic tank emptying	€30,00/Visit
Electricity, 1 x 16A / 220V	Please enquire
Security Services	€10,00/Hour

Orders for electricity will be confirmed 2 weeks prior to the event, supply depending on total amount of orders)

7.4.4. Service Facilities' Order Procedure

The following procedure must be followed by all competitors ordering services through the organiser:

➤ Place your order by e-mail to the Secretary of the Rally, info@caa.com.cy, by September 4th 2015, at the latest.

➤ Within 5 working days from receiving your order, the organizer will send you an invoice for the services ordered.

➤ This invoice must be paid by the 18th September 2015.

For any questions, please contact the Secretary of the Rally, by e-mail, info@caa.com.cy

7.5. Security

Overnight guarding of the Service Park will be arranged by the Organizers, however the Organizers are not responsible for any losses, thefts or damages etc. Extra security services are available. For further details please contact the Rally office.

7.6. Recycling and waste

For environmental reasons all competitors are kindly asked to use the recycling areas arranged at the Service Park for waste. It is absolutely forbidden to spill any oil or waste water on the ground in the Service Park.

Before leaving the Service Park after the Rally (or possible retirement) each team must report to the Service Park Manager, who will check that their allocated area has been left in good condition.

8. TWO-WAY RADIO

8.1. APPLICATION PROCEDURE

Radio transmitters are subject to licensing. The Organizers have made the necessary applications and a number of frequencies are available for the competitors' use. Please inform us the soonest, of your existing radio frequencies in order to check if these are available for use.

Bear in mind that throughout the Rally, the use of frequencies for amateur radio is prohibited. At the Pre-Event Scrutineering, the radio transmitters and licences will be inspected. Radio transmitters in aircraft will be inspected too. The use of radio transmitters will be monitored throughout the Rally. Unlicensed use or use outside the terms of a licence of a radio transmitter may lead to prohibition of the use of the radio transmitter.

8.2. CONTACT DETAILS TO PERSON IN CHARGE

An application for the use of radio transmitters licence must be sent to the Rally Office either by fax at (+357) 22 313 482 or e-mail at info@caa.com.cy

9. TYRES/FUEL

- 9.1. All the cars must be fitted with moulded tyres. Hand cutting or modification of the specified tread pattern is not permitted. Only marked tyres may be used on special stages.
- 9.2. **Treatment of Tyres**
Any chemical and/or mechanical treatment of tyres is prohibited.
Any device for heating the tyres once fitted on the rim is prohibited.
Whether fitted on rims or not, keeping tyres in an artificially heated environment below 35°C is allowed.
- 9.3. **Barcode Number**
Each tyre must have either:
- two identical moulded barcode numbers (one on each side of the tyre /each barcode having a different colour as defined by the FIA) supplied by the 2015 FIA-approved barcode supplier, or:
 - a single moulded barcode number supplied by the 2015 FIA-approved barcode supplier.
- These barcodes will be used to check that the same tyres remain fitted to a particular car between tyre changes and that competitors are not exceeding the maximum quantities allowed. The tyre barcode must always be visible from outside the car.**
- 9.4. **Tyre Quantities**
All drivers may use only the maximum quantity of tyres detailed in 2015 FIA Regional Rallies Sporting Regulations.
- Competitors wishing to scope points in the National Rally Championship** must follow the tyre limitation as per the ERC, i.e.
- For competitors entered in a 4WD car, a maximum of 18 tyres can be used during the event.
 - For competitors entered in a 2WD car, a maximum of 14 tyres may be used.
- The tyres used for the ceremonial start will NOT be taken from the overall quantity described above.
- 9.5. In accordance with art.60.13 of the 2015 FIA Regional Rallies Sporting Regulations all tyres used must be readily available commercially.
- 9.6. **Tyre marking procedure**
A wheel/tyre marking/ barcode reading zone may be established at the exit of the authorised service parks or remote service zones and at the start of the shakedown. For the sole purpose of assisting the tyre marking procedure, one team member for each crew may access the zone. The crew has to stop its car and wait for the instructions of the scrutineers and/or marshal, in the absence of scrutineers or marshals, the crew may leave the zone without stopping. A tyre mark checking zone may be established at the entrance of the authorised service parks and remote service parks.
- 9.7. Any breach of the tyre regulations will be submitted to the Stewards.
- 9.8. FIA fuel must comply with article 252.9.1 of Appendix J.
Super unleaded 98 octane fuel is widely available in Cyprus.
The competitors are responsible for checking the conformity of the event fuel each time they receive delivery, and before it is used in competition.
- 9.9. All competitors should only refuel at the refuelling area at the exit of the Service Park and at the areas for Refuelling only which are indicated in the competitor Road Book. In these areas, any kind of servicing is prohibited. Maximum two team members shall be allowed to refuel the car, except in refuelling station, but shall not be allowed to do any other work on the car.

10. IMPORT OF VEHICLES AND SPARE PARTS

The ATA carnet is not a requirement for bringing your equipment into Cyprus. If you already have one it is useful.

The Organizers arranged with the Chief of Customs for the following procedure:

1. A list of all equipment carried in each van or truck, signed and stamped by your company must be brought by the driver or other accompanying person. Copy of this list should be faxed to the organizers beforehand.
2. Photocopy of the passport of each driver of each vehicle, and photocopy of each vehicle's logbook should also be faxed.
3. In order for a car to be released from customs, a written and signed authorization by the vehicle owner, naming the driver authorized to import the car, must be presented. If the owner is a company the authorization should also bear the company's stamp.
4. Upon arrival, random checks shall be carried out by customs officers to ascertain that the items in the trucks are actually on the respective lists.
5. The same procedure shall be followed on departure so as to verify that all items imported are actually exported even if they are damaged.
6. We shall make arrangements for a clearing agent to be at the port in order to expedite procedures.

11. HELICOPTER USE

REGISTRATION PROCEDURE/INFORMATION

In compliance with the FIA Safety Regulations and the local Air Traffic Authority, every helicopter flying in support of the rally must be registered with the organizers.

For helicopter rental, please contact the Rally Office.

12. HOSPITALITY ARRANGEMENTS

For details of the hospitality arrangements please contact the appointed agency:

OM destination Management
Tel.: +357 25376699
Email: info@omdmc.com

13. HOTEL ACCOMMODATION/RESERVATIONS

For details of the accommodation arrangements please contact Rally office

Tel.: +357 22 31 32 33

Fax: +357 22 31 34 82

Email: caa@cytanet.com.cy

We recommend that all competitors specify their needs as soon as possible so that the relevant bookings are made in time.

14. RECONNAISSANCE

14.1. Procedure for registration

- 14.1.1. Reconnaissance will be run in accordance with Article 25 of the 2015 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations.
- 14.1.2. Reconnaissance cars must be in conformity with Article 25.1 of the 2015 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations.
- 14.1.3. When registering for reconnaissance one of the crew members must be present to sign an indemnity and register the details of the reconnaissance car (spare recce car, if any), contact person and telephone number during event, and driver's and co driver's accommodation during the rally.
- 14.1.4. The Reconnaissance Registration Form can be filled in during the Preliminary Documentation on **Tuesday September 22nd 2015, 14:00–18:00 hours**, at the Rally HQ.

14.2. Specific and/or national restrictions – speed limit

- a. It is emphasized that reconnaissance is not practice. The competitors must drive in a manner that does not endanger or cause inconvenience to traffic or people living near the stages. All road traffic laws of Cyprus must be strictly complied with and the safety of other road users must be respected.
- b. Reconnaissance is **PROHIBITED** from the publication of the itinerary to the aforementioned dates. The presence of any entrant and/or crew member entered in the rally on any part of a special stage, in any way whatsoever, is considered as reconnaissance. If any crew and/or competitor is found, between both dates, on any part of any special stage to be used in the rally, he or she will be reported to the Stewards who may apply penalties at their discretion.
- c. Crews are required to present their reconnaissance time card at the start and finish of all special stages. Crews will only be permitted to enter and leave special stages through the start and finish controls shown in the Road Books and may not, under any circumstances drive in a direction opposite to that of the Rally.
- d. The maximum speed limit of 80 kph (or as specified) is imposed on all special stages during reconnaissance except for those areas in which there are speed limit signs or in built-up areas (50km/h or 65km/h) or other limitations marked in the road book or any other limit imposed by the organiser.
For the Nicosia Super Special Stage (SS8) the speed limit of 50 kph is imposed
 In compliance with Article 20.2.2 of the 2014 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations, speeding during reconnaissance will incur a fine applied by the clerk of the course as follows:

- **€25,00 per km per hour over the speed limit.**

The amount of this fine will be unaltered by any fine imposed by the police. The fine will be doubled in case of a second offence committed during reconnaissance in the same rally.

- e. Reconnaissance is restricted to 2 passes in the same special stage.
- f. During each passage through a special stage, a maximum of 2 persons (the crew) are permitted in the car.

15. RALLY SAFETY TRACKING SYSTEM (GPS tracking)

The organiser will provide a rally safety tracking system, which has to be used during reconnaissance in the reconnaissance car and during rally in the competition car.

15.1. Reconnaissance

The tracking units to be used during reconnaissance will be delivered on **Tuesday 22nd September, between 14:00–18:00 hours and on Wednesday 23rd September between 07:30 -09:00**, at the **RALLY HQ**.

A deposit of €100,00 will be required. The deposit will be returned to the competitor after returning the equipment on time and in proper condition.

All competitors must return the devices (**together with recce time card**) on Thursday 24th September 2015, between 19:00-19:30 hours at the Rally HQ.

IMPORTANT: ALL RECCE CARS MUST HAVE A WORKING CIGARETTE LIGHTER SOCKET.

For the reconnaissance of the super special stage the devices will be given on Friday morning at the start of the stage and will be collected at the finish of the stage, **after the second passage**.

15.2. Free Practice/Qualifying/Shakedown

The tracking devices will be given at the start of the free Practice and will be collected at the finish of the Qualifying stage. The same will apply for the competitors participating in shakedown

15.3. During rally

Tracking devices during the rally will be given at the following TC's:

- TC 0-Service Out
- TC 8E-Parc Ferme Out

Tracking devices will be collected at the following TC's:

- TC 8D-Parc Ferme In
- TC 16D-Holding Control

16. SCRUTINEERING, SEALING & MARKING

16.1. Location

Scrutineering and Marking will take place at the Nicosia Government Test Centre, Strovolos, CY-2030 Nicosia.

16.2. Times/schedule

Scrutineering and Marking will take place on Thursday 24th September 2015, from 14:30 to 19:00 hours, according to a time schedule to be issued at Preliminary Documentation.

16.3. Scrutineering provisions

- Cars must be presented to the scrutineers with the competition numbers, rally plates, and the optional advertising affixed on the car before entering the scrutineering venue.
- In compliance with Article 4.3 of the 2015 FIA Regional Rally Championships Sporting Regulations, FIA technical passport is mandatory for S2000, R5, Super 1600 and RGT cars.
- The use of silvered or tinted film, complying with Appendix J, Article 253.11, is authorized on the side as well as the rear windows.
- The crew must show the car's complete original homologation form as well as any appendices to this form. Any infringement will be reported to the Stewards.
- The control of drivers' helmets and equipment as well as the head restraint (HANS device) will take place at the scrutineering. The helmets must meet one of the standards listed in technical list no.25 of Appendix J. Each helmet used by the crew will have to be identified and marked during the scrutineering before the start. This marking may be checked on the start of each special stage.
- In accordance with ISC Appendix L, Chapter III, Article 3.2., the wearing of an FIA homologated Frontal Head Restraints (FHR) is MANDATORY for all drivers and co-drivers. Drivers' and co-drivers' overalls as well as underwear, gloves, balaclava, boots homologated to the FIA 8856-2000 standard and will be checked at the scrutineering.

17. FREE PRACTICE / QUALIFYING / SHAKEDOWN

A Free Practice/Qualifying stage for FIA and ERC priority drivers will take place on Friday 25th September 2015, near Potamia village. The eligible drivers may complete a maximum of two passages of practice. This stage becomes a Shakedown Stage for non-priority competitors after Qualifying is completed. Passes during shakedown are unlimited within the time frame specified.

Shakedown is free of charge for participants, but they must inform the organiser for their intention to participate by completing the relevant form by Wednesday 23rd September 2015.

The Remote Service area (only for Free Practice/Qualifying/Shakedown) is located approximately 2.57 km from the start of the special stage and 15.14km from the main Service Park in Nicosia.

GPS references of the Remote Service Park: N35 02.926 E033 25.760 (Remote Service In)

Date: Friday 25 September 2015
 Time: Free Practice--07:00-09:00 hours
Qualifying Stage—09:40 hours
 Shakedown--10:30-12:00 hours

Free Practice and Qualifying stage will be organised according to FIA 2015 European Rally Championship regulations, Article 30.

FIA and ERC Priority drivers who have passed scrutineering must have their competition numbers and advertising plates affixed to the cars. Driver and co-driver are obliged to wear the safety equipment as for the Special Stages during the competition.

Reconnaissance

Reconnaissance of Free Practice/Qualifying Stage will be on Tuesday 16 September 2014 at 16:30-18:30 hours.

Running of Free Practice

The eligible drivers may complete a maximum of 2 passages of practice within the timeframe specified in the Programme.

Breakdown during Free Practice

A competitor whose car is unable to complete the Free Practice Stage will be required to wait for the organisers to recover the car to the end of the Stage after the free practice session has finished.

Running of the Qualifying Stage

After the 2 passages allowed for practice, the eligible drivers will start the Qualifying Stage in the order of the current European Rally Championship classification for Drivers with a 2-minute interval between each car.

The driver and co-driver entered must be on board the car throughout the Qualifying Stage.

The Stewards shall decide the order of drivers who have not been classified in the previous European Rally Championship for Drivers.

After Qualifying, the eligible drivers are not authorised to return to the Shakedown Stage.

Any car which breaks down during the Qualifying Stage or during the following road section will be recovered to the Parc Fermé by the organisers once the Qualifying Stage has finished.

Any driver who does not correctly complete the Qualifying Stage will choose his position last. If more than one driver does not complete the Stage, positions will be chosen in the order of the starting list for the Qualifying Stage

Any service on a car once it has started the Qualifying Stage is prohibited. All cars which participate in the Qualifying Stage must immediately and directly be brought to the Parc Fermé at Nicosia Parc Ferme and remain there until released by the Stewards.

Attribution of starting positions

The selection of the start order for Leg 1 will take place on Friday 25th September at 13:30 hours in the Press Office. Competitors will choose their start position for the rally according to the results of the Qualifying Stage. The fastest driver will choose his position first, then the second, followed by the third etc. All crews who participated at the Qualifying Stage must be present at that time. Any driver who does not arrive on time to choose his position will automatically choose his position last.

18. START / FINISH PROCEDURES

18.1. Start

The Ceremonial Start of the Cyprus Rally 2015 will be held on the Phoinikoudes Promenade in Larnaca on Friday 25th September, 2015. An evening of entertainment has been arranged, with the first car being flagged off at 18:30 hours.

Competitors must ensure that they arrive at the starting zone (sectioned off just a few meters before the ramp) between 17:30 – 18:00.

Programme

17:00 hours..... Entertainment will start with upbeat music and spectators will be able to enjoy the entertainment programme. As the cars arrive to park in the sectioned off area of the start, the Master of Ceremonies will announce their arrival and the countdown to the start of the 2015 Cyprus Rally will begin.

18:05 hours..... The Master of Ceremonies will ask the VIP's to take their places on the VIP stage for the beginning of the Ceremonial Start.

18:25 hours..... The first car will approach the ramp and the crew will get out of the car to wave to the crowd. While on the ramp, the Master of Ceremonies will ask the driver a couple of questions. He/she will then invite a leading dignitary to come forward.

18:30 hours..... The first car will be flagged off the ramp.

18.2. Finish

The finish of the Cyprus Rally 2015 will take place on the Phoinikoudes Promenade in Larnaca.

Competitors will arrive at the Holding Control-Finish at 17:59 hours on Sunday 27th September, 2015. The top 5 crews will pass the ramp in reverse order. However, the procedure for the top three finishers will be as follows:

- 5th overall is called up to the ramp. Stops following the instructions of the marshal in command. Gets out of car, answers a couple of questions, waves to the crowd and drives off.
- 4th overall is called up to the ramp. Stops following the instructions of the marshal in command. Gets out of car, answers a couple of questions, waves to the crowd and drives off.
- 3rd overall drives onto the ramp and stops following the instructions of the marshal in command. Stops engine, crew gets out of the car and stands either side of the car with the door open and waves to the photographers (20" only). The crew is escorted to a waiting area.
- 2nd overall drives onto the ramp and follows the same procedure.
- 1st overall drives onto the ramp and stops following the instructions of the marshal in command. Stops engine, crew gets out of car and closes the doors. Driver and co-driver stand on top of the bonnet and are presented with two bottles of pre-opened champagne, which they spray for the photographers (no less than 30"). The winning crew may be joined by team personnel for photographs for a maximum of 30". They then leave the ramp and proceed to the waiting area. The car remains on the ramp until the closure of the podium ceremony.

While the Team personnel are leaving, the podium will be placed in front of the ramp.

3rd and 2nd overall are brought from the waiting area and all three crews stand behind their appropriate boxes.

Dignitaries will be invited in reverse order to present the trophies: 3rd overall, 2nd, 1st overall and then 1st manufacturer. The winning Manufacturer will then take his/her place in front of the winning crew to be presented with his/her award and then move to one side.

The National Anthems of the winning driver will be played. As the winning driver's anthem is played, the flags of the first three drivers are hoisted. Where the nationality of the winning manufacturer is different from that of the driver, the national anthem of the manufacturer is played whilst its flag is hoisted. The raising of the flags should take exactly the same time as the playing of the anthem.

The top three crews are then escorted to designated area for the Post-rally Press

19. PR ACTIVITIES

Several activities are being organised and will be announced shortly.

20. MEDIA INFORMATION

THE MEDIA CENTRE

The Cyprus Rally 2015 Media Centre and Accreditation Desk will be based in the Filoxenia Conference Centre.

MEDIA CENTRE OPERATING HOURS:

Wednesday 23 rd September 2015.....	12:00–20:00 hours
Thursday 24 th September 2015.....	10:00–22:00 hours
Friday 25 th September 2015.....	08:00–24:00 hours
Saturday 26 th September 2015.....	06:30–24:00 hours
Sunday 27 st September 2015.....	08:00–23:00 hours

CONTACTS:

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Event telephone no.: +357 70003113
 Pre-event fax no. : +357 22 680920
 Mobile telephone: +357 99 643743
 E-mail: press.cyprusrally@gmail.com

MEDIA COVERAGE

Local media

A full programme of press and TV coverage is under way for the support of the Cyprus Rally.

All TV stations and press are involved in promoting the event. For the lead-up to the event, regular radio interviews highlighting the itinerary to enhance greater spectator numbers will take place as well as local TV interviews at targeted media relations. Moreover, since this is the age of information, online media will be covering the event on a minute-by-minute basis.

During the event a live update at the end of each leg will be reported by each national TV station.

24 hours of media broadcast across all the Cyprus TV landscape:

- ANT1
- CyBC 1
- Mega channel
- Sigma

Additionally the 2015 Cyprus Rally will also be covered by the subscriber's and cable channels active on the island.

Digital Media

The Cyprus Rally Facebook page and site is already announcing news of the event.

A digital plan is in place to promote teams and sponsors through the 2015 Cyprus official site, Facebook and Twitter page.

20.1 Media Accreditation Guidelines

The Cyprus Rally, the 8th round of the FIA European Rally Championship, 5th round of the Middle East Rally Championship and 4th round of the Cyprus Rally Championship, has to apply to strict criteria for media. Please read the following guidelines carefully and make sure all the information requested is supplied with your accreditation. Incorrect and/or incomplete Forms may not be considered.

The accreditation is envisaged for:

- Journalists
- Media photographers

Accreditation is not envisaged for advertising, marketing or public relations agencies, media representatives, who are not journalists, photographers or video cameramen, as well for representatives of teams or sponsors.

By submitting your Accreditation request, you must promote Cyprus Rally 2015 at all time – before, during and after the event.

A maximum of three (3) representatives per organization will be considered for accreditation. A separate application form should be submitted for each person to be accredited.

Information to be supplied with each application:

- An accreditation request on the publication's official letterhead, signed by the Managing Director or Editorial Chief. Any request signed by clerical staff will not be accepted.
- A completed accreditation form.

The Organizer shall consider the submitted media accreditation application forms within five (5) working days from the day of receipt. Once applications have been processed by the Cyprus Rally Media Team and approved by Eurosport Events, an email confirming successful accreditation will be sent to the applicant(s). This confirmation email must be produced when signing on in the Media Centre. You will NOT be able to sign on without this email.

APPLICATION FORMS MUST BE RETURNED PRIOR TO TUESDAY SEPTEMBER 15, 2015.

Issue of Accreditation

Granting and/or rejecting accreditation is fully in hands of the Organizer of 2015 Cyprus Rally and Eurosport Events, and it is also limited by the number of accredited representatives to a size of the media center and by warrantee of their safety at the track of the competition. The accreditation cards and the media tabards will be available from September 23 at the Media Center in the Filoxenia Conference Centre.

All Media Accreditation Packs will be delivered at the Media Centre, against presentation of the MEDIA Accreditation request (email), an Identification document (National Press Card and Passport or ID Card) and with the signature (by the journalist himself/herself) of the Responsibility Term.

Upon filling-in the Media Accreditation Application Form you confirm that you have become acquainted with the Media Accreditation Rules and Media Safety Rules and resolve to comply with the above. The Organizer shall retain the right to annul the issued accreditation due to the breach of the Media Accreditation Rules or the Media Safety Rules. The accreditation cards and the media tabards can be received ONLY IN PERSON.

Special Provision for Photographers, Radio Journalists and TV/VIDEO crew

All photographers, radio journalists and TV/video crew willing to get the accreditation shall have:

- A media tabard supplied by the organizers of the 2015 Cyprus Rally for accredited photographers, radio journalists and TV/video crew media tabards are available in the Accreditations Office.
- Handing over of the received media tabard to another person is strictly prohibited!
- The accredited photographers, radio journalists and TV/video crew operators with media tabards shall be entitled to be present in the areas of the rally route specially envisaged for photography and filming, no further than 1 (one) meter away of the safety stripes.
- The Organizer reserves the sole right to distribute media tabard to selected media representatives. There is no special application form for the media armband.
- Accredited media representatives are not allowed to use ground-controlled flying objects.
- Upon request of the Organizer, each accredited representative is obliged to provide to the Organizer the evidence of journalist of photographic activity.

20.2 Television and Radio Accreditation procedures

Accreditation Application Form must be filled in by all Broadcast Media and submitted to either of the following email addresses: fia_erc_accreditations@eurosport.com, press.cyprusrally@gmail.com not later than Tuesday 15th of September. After the deadline applications will not be processed and therefore applicants will not be able to be accredited. Following this date, each applicant will receive an official confirmation letter and should present this letter at the event's welcome Centre in order to receive an envelope enclosing their passes

Each applicant, should fill in all personal details as well as the reason why they intent to film during the event. In addition, each applicant should specify if they will broadcast through TV channel or just filming for a driver's personal use.

21. PASSES AND PLATES



All areas
including
rally control



Rally HQ,
stages,
service park



Rally HQ,
Media centre,
stages,
service park



Stages,
service park



Ceremonial start
and finish,
stages,
service park
Rally HQ



Media centre,
interview areas,
photographer areas,
ceremonial start
and finish,
stages



Stages,
service park

EUROSPORT RALLY PASSES



FIA ALL access



ALL access
+ red TV sticker



Stages, refuelling area,
media centre, Rally HQ



Stages, VIP areas




Permanent journalists
media centre, stages



Stages, refuelling areas,
media centre, Rally HQ



Access to the stages at latest
1:30 prior to the first competing crew

 <p>1-20</p>	 <p>1-50</p>	 <p>1-50</p>	 <p>1-50</p>
 <p>1-100</p>	 <p>1-70</p>	 <p>1-150</p>	 <p>1-50</p>
 <p>1-50</p>	 <p>1-100</p>	 <p>1-200</p>	 <p>1-100</p>

22. MEDICAL AND SAFETY SERVICES

USEFUL TELEPHONE NUMBERS

Police/Fire/Ambulance	112
Police Headquarters Nicosia	22802020
Forest Department	1407
Air Sea Rescue	1441
Major Hospitals (enquiries)	1400
Private Doctors on call (Weekends & Public Holidays)	
Nicosia	90901422
Limassol	90901425
Larnaca	90901424
Late night pharmacies	
Nicosia	90901402
Limassol	90901405
Larnaca	90901404
Airports	
Larnaca & Paphos	77778833
Cyprus Telecommunications Authority	
Operator & Customer hotline	132
National Directory Enquiries	11892
International Directory Enquiries	11894
International calls via operator	80000198

NEAREST HOSPITAL PER STAGE

Leg 1--Saturday 26.09.2015				
SS 1	KOTSIATIS	START	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
	ANALYONTAS	FINISH	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
SS 2 & 5	LYTHRODONTAS	START	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
	VAVATSINIA	FINISH	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL Kofinou Rural Health Center	24800500 24825000
SS 3 & 6	LAGIA	START	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL Kofinou Rural Health Center	24800500 24825000
	KALAVASOS	FINISH	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL Kofinou Rural Health Center	24800500 24825000
SS 4 & 7	KLAVDIA	START	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL	24800500
	STAVROVOUNI	FINISH	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL Kofinou Rural Health Center	24800500 24825000
SS 8	NICOSIA	START	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
	NICOSIA	FINISH	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000

Leg 2--Sunday 27.09.2015				
SS 9 & 13	YERI	START	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
	YERI	FINISH	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
SS 10 & 14	AYIA MARINA	START	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL	24800500
	ARADIPPOU	FINISH	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL	24800500
SS 11 & 15	KELLIA	START	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL	24800500
	ARADIPPOU	FINISH	LARNACA GENERAL HOSPITAL	24800500
SS 12 & 16	TSERI	START	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000
	TSERI	FINISH	NICOSIA GENERAL HOSPITAL	22603000 22604000

23. GENERAL FACTS

There are many reasons why the beautiful Mediterranean island of Cyprus is one of the world's best-loved holiday destinations. There are the stunning beaches, the beautiful mountain scenery, the wealth of historical sites and the traditional warm Cypriot welcome. Aphrodite, the goddess of love, was born on the shores of Cyprus and, after spending some time here, you'll understand why she made it her home.

Cyprus is the third largest island in the Mediterranean after Sicily and Sardinia. It covers an area of 9,251 square kilometres (3,608 square miles) and lies at the north-eastern corner of the Mediterranean, at the crossroads of Europe, Asia and Africa. It is an island of contrasts with a coastline made up of stunning rock formations interspersed by long sections of sandy beach.

The main mountain range is the Troodos, with its highest peak, Mount Olympus, at 1,951 metres. There are 380 rural villages in the Republic and the population is just under a million. The main language is Greek but English is widely spoken (you'll find someone with a knowledge of English even in the rural villages).

There are four main towns in Cyprus: the capital Nicosia (Lefkosia), Larnaca (Larnaka), Limassol (Lemesos) and Paphos (Pafos). The main airports are at Larnaca and Paphos and modern motorways link all the main towns. The main seaports are at Larnaca and Limassol – Limassol being the main port.

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR NICOSIA

Nicosia is the capital of Cyprus, a status it has enjoyed for 1000 years since the 10th century, though its beginnings date back 5000 years to the Bronze Age. It lies roughly in the centre of the island in the Mesaoria Plain, flanked by the beautiful northern range of Kyrenia Mountains with its distinctive 'Pentadaktylos - the five finger mountain. There are various suggestions as to the origin of the name Nicosia – or '*Lefkosia*' in Greek - but the most likely one is linked to the popular tree, the tall 'Lefki' which once adorned the city.

Nicosia, the capital of both North and South Cyprus, is currently the biggest and most densely populated city on the Island. The developing, urban, yet historic and charming city of Nicosia is the major centre for arts, culture, diplomacy and business.

Seat of Government, Diplomatic headquarters and cultural centre of Cyprus, the capital presents two distinct faces: the old, original part of the city, surrounded by sturdy Venetian walls over 400 years old, and a busy modern metropolis which has a population of 171.000 together with the suburbs.

The Venetians demolished most of the Lusignan monuments, including churches and palaces, and used the masonry to fortify the city against the anticipated Ottoman invasion. In 1567, just before the conquest of Cyprus by the Ottomans, the Venetians started to build new protective walls in place of the old Lusignan walls ringing the city, so as to be able to defend Nicosia. They were to have a circumference of three miles, 11 bastions, each like a castle, and three gates. The remnants of the walls still encircle the old city today. The three gates were the Kyrenia Gate in the north, the Famagusta Gate in the east, and the Paphos Gate in the west. The Kyrenia Gate is still intact today, and remains as an attractive historic monument of northern Nicosia.

Within the large area encircled by the strong bastion walls that served to protect the town for centuries are many places of great historic interest.

The central Eleftheria Square links old Nicosia with the elegant modern city that has grown up outside the walls, where hotels, offices restaurants and gardens blend happily with the fine old houses and colonial buildings of this cosmopolitan city.

Places of interest in old Nicosia can be seen by taking a short walk .The Laiki Geitonia Area is a pedestrianised area of narrow winding streets, combining residential houses with craft shops and tavernas. It is a very popular area for both locals and tourists to browse among its many shops.

The heart of the city, within the 16th century Venetian walls has a number of interesting Museums and art galleries, Byzantine churches and a number of medieval and neo-classical buildings. Much of the charm and beauty of the old city is its labyrinthine alleyways and elegant courtyard houses. Outside the walls the new city with its modern facilities is a cosmopolitan centre of a modern European capital.

The heart of the city is Eleftheria (Freedom) Square, with the city hall, the post office and the library. Adjacent, pedestrian-only Ledra and Onasagorou streets are lined with shops of every type. These streets lead to the most lively part of the old city with narrow streets, boutiques, and cafés. At the end of Onasagorou Street, Panagia Faneromeni is a church built in 1872, constructed with the remains of an old castle and a convent.

Nicosia is also known for its fine museums. The Archbishop's Palace , the Folk Art Museum, National Struggle Museum, Cyprus Ethnological Museum (House of Dragoman Hadjigeorgakis Kornesios) and the Handicrafts Centre.

In Nicosia also there are mosques, like the Selimiye Mosque (Nicosia). This ancient church is the chief mosque in the northern side of Nicosia, and the festivals of Bayram and other Moslem gatherings are conducted here.

In terms of entertainment the old city has a lot to offer. Quite a large number of cafeterias and cafes with cultural character, restaurants (Greek and Cypriot cuisine, Spanish, Italian, Mexican etc.) and well known fast food brands are wide spread along the walled city. Bars, pubs and night clubs all within easy reach keep the old town enjoyable and alive.

(Remember, if you are going to cross from south to north, you will need your passport)

GENERAL INFORMATION FOR LARNACA

Larnaca has a reasonable claim to being the oldest city in Cyprus, with evidence of habitation up to 6000 years ago. Modern Larnaca, like other Cypriot coastal towns, is divided into an older city center and a wide sprawl of hotels and restaurants along the beach. The lively coastal promenade – known universally as the Finikoudes – is where locals and visitors alike come for a morning coffee or an evening beer, to flop out on the beach during the day and to stroll the wide pavement at sunset. It's the hub of the scene with restaurants, cafes and bars galore and during summer it fully revs up for the annual flood of holidaymakers. The old Turkish quarter of Skala is a slice of days-gone-by Cyprus full of whitewashed, quaintly dilapidated cottages where the arts and crafts traditions of the region are kept alive by the ceramic workshops which have moved in. Between the two you'll find the gorgeous Byzantine church of Agios Lazaros and Larnaka's little fort which have both – in their own ways – been keeping a beady eye on the town for centuries. Larnaca International Airport is located 6 km to the west of the city center.

TIME

Cyprus time is GMT+3 from the last Saturday in March to the last Saturday in October and GMT+2 in the winter months.

APPROXIMATE DISTANCES BETWEEN TOWNS

Nicosia to Limassol	83 km
Nicosia to Paphos	146 km
Nicosia to Larnaca	45 km
Nicosia to Troodos	71 km
Nicosia to Agia Napa	80 km
Pafos to Larnaca	139 km
Paphos to Limassol	68 km
Paphos to Troodos (via Limassol)	114 km
Larnaca to Limassol	70 km
Limassol to Troodos	46 km

BANKING

Banks operate from Monday to Friday from 0830 to 1330. They do not open on Saturdays.

Banks in the main tourist areas provide an afternoon tourist service and a number of automatic currency exchange machines operate on a 24-hour basis in major town centres and main tourist resorts. Most banks also have ATMs, which accept the majority of major credit and bankcards.

Hotels, large shops, restaurants etc accept major credit cards.

CURRENCY

The currency of the Republic is the euro.

The notes and coins in circulation are:

Notes: 5-, 10-, 20-, 50-, 100-, 200-, and 500-euro

Coins: 1-, 2-, 5-, 10-, 20-, and 50-cent, and 1-euro and 2-euro.

ELECTRICITY

The electricity supply in Cyprus is 240 volts AC 50Hz. Sockets are 13amp, square pin. Adapters are available on request at most hotel reception desks and can also be purchased from supermarkets, grocery shops etc.

WATER

It is safe to drink mains tap water in Cyprus, as there are no water-borne diseases. However, due to the climate, Cyprus has severe water shortages and it is important not to waste water.

TELEPHONES

Call boxes are coin or card operated, increasingly the latter. For international calls from Cyprus dial 00 followed by the country code and the number. Pay-as-you-go packages for mobile phones are widely available, enabling the transmission of calls and SMS messages at local rates within Cyprus and abroad. Connection packs and top-up cards can be purchased at kiosks and most stores.

DRIVING IN CYPRUS

Visitors to Cyprus from EU countries need their national driving licence, provided it is valid for the class of vehicle they wish to drive. Non EU citizens must have an international driver's licence to drive, however they can also drive for a limited number of 30 days on their national licence (certain restrictions apply to certain countries). In order to hire a car, the driver must be over 25 years of age and have held a valid national/international licence for at least three years.

Important Note: In Cyprus, driver steer wheel is on right side of the car.

FUEL

Petrol, diesel and unleaded petrol are freely available at EKO, Mobil, Esso, Lina, Petrolina and Agip stations. Petrol is sold by the litre. Petrol stations are open at the following times:

Monday, Thursday, Friday from 06:00 to 19:00 hours.

Tuesday, from 06:00 to 14:00 hours in the Limassol, Larnaca and Paphos Districts; petrol stations are open all day in the Nicosia District.

Wednesday from 06:00 to 14:00 hours in the Nicosia District only; petrol stations are open all day in the other districts.

Saturday from 06:00 to 15:00 hours.

All petrol stations are closed on Sundays, but most stations have fuel vending machines, which accept bank notes and credit cards. Vending machines operate during non-working hours and the instructions are in English.

MINI GUIDE FOR DRIVERS

- Traffic moves on the left hand-side of the road, not on the right.
- The maximum speed limit on the motorways is 100 km/h and the minimum is 65 km/h. On all other roads, the maximum speed limit is 80 km/h, unless a lower one is indicated. In built-up areas, generally the speed limit is 50km/h, unless otherwise indicated.
- The use of front and rear seat belts is obligatory.

- Rush-hours in towns are approximately between 07:30 and 08:00 hours and, between 13:00 and 13:30 hours and, in the late afternoon.
- Driving while under the influence of alcohol is prohibited and strict penalties are in place for anyone caught doing so.
- It is illegal for drivers to use a mobile telephone while the car is in motion.
- Crash helmets must be worn when riding motorcycles and scooters. Headlights must be switched on at all times of the day. Pillion passengers must be over 12 years old.

PUBLIC TRANSPORT

Shared Taxi/Mini-bus service: This inexpensive and convenient half hourly service operates between major towns until 18:00 hours daily on weekdays.

Private taxis: Meters should run from the start of each journey.

Buses: Buses operate between all major towns. For more information call 26234252 (Paphos), 77777755 (Nicosia), 77778121 (Limassol), or 80007744 (Larnaca). Buses also operate to and from the island's major International Airport at Larnaca. For Limassol-Larnaca Airport call 77777075. For Nicosia-Larnaca Airport call 77771477.

Intercity Buses: 70007789 (recording in English as well); information can also be obtained from www.intercity-buses.com

FOOD AND WINE

Food-lovers will appreciate Cypriot cuisine, as it consists of many varied dishes and flavours. Some specialities are favourites with visitors to the island.

Meze--a collection of over 20 different appetisers and savoury dishes. This is a meal not to be hurried.

Kebab (or souvlaki in Greek)--small chunks of charcoal grilled pork or chicken, served in pitta bread with salad.

Souvla--large chunks of charcoal grilled lamb, served with salad and roast potatoes.

Stifado--beef or hare, cooked in wine, vinegar, onions and tomatoes.

There is a great variety of Cyprus wine: red, white and rose. KEO, Carlsberg, and Leon beer are brewed on the island. Cyprus is famous for the Brandy Sour, which is made from Cyprus brandy, lemon juice, angostura bitters, soda water and ice.

And finally a few words of Greek to help you on your way . . .

Kali-mera	Good morning
Kali-nikta	Goodnight
Yassoo	Hello, hi, bye-bye, ciao
Adeeo	Goodbye
Ef-haristo	Thank you
Endaxi	OK
Para-kalo	Please
Sig-nomi.....	Excuse me
Mia beera para-kalo.....	May I have a beer please?
Ena neskafe para-kalo.....	May I have a coffee please
Nero para-kalo	Water please
Posa einai	How much is it?
To logar-iasmo	The bill please
Ti ora einai	What time is it?
Pou ine.....;	Where is.....?
Dromos	Road
Aris-tera	Left
Dhex-ia	Right
Efth-ia	Straight
Strofi	Bend, turn
Pano	Up, upper
Kato.....	Down, lower
Pou ine o kirios dromos;	Where is the main road?
Ne	yes
Ohi	No
