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IV. RALLY HUNGARY

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RALLY GUIDE



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1. INTRODUCTION

1.1 General

This rally will be run in compliance with the International Sporting Code and its appendices, the 2023 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations (further only FIA-RRSR), including appendices, the ASN Technical Regulations (only when related to national cars) the WADA/NADA Codes, and the FIA Anti-Doping Regulations, as amended from time to time. The National Road Traffic Regulations shall apply. Unless provided otherwise by these Supplementary Regulations, the provisions of the above Rules and Regulations shall apply.

Any modifications, amendments and/or changes to these Supplementary Regulations will be announced only by numbered and dated Bulletins (issued by the organiser or the Stewards).

The various documents will be written in English and Hungarian. In case of any discrepancy the English text will be binding.

The event is accompanied by a Hungarian Championship, with the ERC field starting at the front.

Additional information will be published in the Rally Guide, issued on 14th September 2023.

The FIA Regional Rally Championships Sporting Regulations can be found at:

<https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/117>

1.2 Surface

95.25 % asphalt

4.75 % gravel

1.3 Overall SS distance and the total distance of the itinerary

The total distance of the SS: 180,26 km (12 SS)

The total distance of the rally: 882,05 km

2. ORGANISATION

2.1 Eligibility

2.1.1 FIA classification

FIA European Rally Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers

FIA European Rally Championship for Teams

FIA ERC3 Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers

FIA ERC4 Championship for Drivers and Co-Drivers

FIA Junior ERC Championship for Drivers

2.1.2 Other titles for which the rally counts:

Hungarian Rally Championship

2.2 VISA numbers

FIA visa No.: 08ERC/290823

ASN Visa No. :K-0604/25.08.2023

2.3 Organizer's name, address and contact details

Name:

Postal Address:

Permanent Office:

E-mail:

Web:

Localfixer Kft.

1054 Budapest, Akadémia str. 14.

1151 Budapest, Bogáncs u. 4 / 18. building

rallyhungary@trpevents.hu

www.rallyhungary.com

2.4 Organisation Committee:

Chairman:

Members:

Kornél **Őry**

Zoltán **Szujó**

Dániel **Árvai**

Péter **Faluvégi**

Miklós **Lovay**

Gusztáv **Hajnal**

Krisztián **Berke**

Viktor **Adorján**



2.5 Stewards of the meeting:

Chairperson:

Members:

Arnas **Paliukenas**

Andrew **Kellitt**

István **Moni**

LTU

GBR

HUN

2.6 FIA Delegates & Observer:

FIA Sporting Delegate:

FIA Technical Delegate:

FIA Assistant Technical Delegate:

FIA Safety Delegate:

Miikka **Anttila**

Emanuele **Saglia**

Ludovic **Paturet**

Benjamin **Schmidt**

FIN

ITA

FRA

DEU

2.7 HQ location and contact details

Place:

Athletic Center of Nyíregyháza

H-4400 Nyíregyháza, Kerék u.

GPS:

N47° 57.353' E21° 41.686'

E-mail:

rallyhungary@trpevents.hu

Rally Office opening hours during the event:

Wednesday	04 October 2023	18:00-22:00
Thursday	05 October 2023	08:00-22:00
Friday	06 October 2023	08:00-22:00
Saturday	07 October 2023	07:00-19:00
Sunday	08 October 2023	07:00-20:00

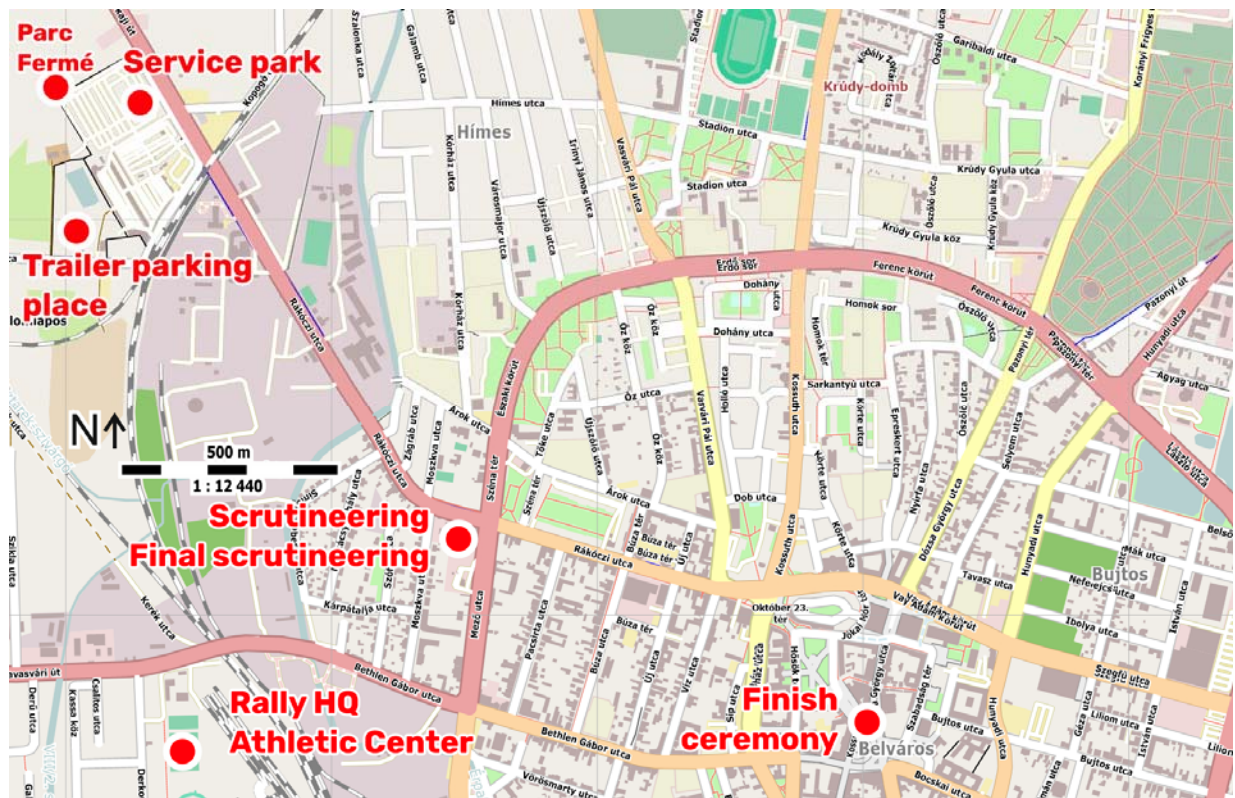
RALLY HQ GPS:



Digital Notice Board:

As provided for in FIA ISC Art. 11.9.4 the Official Notice Board will be the Digital Official Notice Board (DNB) published on the event website: www.rallyhungary.com

There will be no physical official notice board. Additionally, rally documents will also be available in the Sportity app (downloadable for iOS devices on Appstore and for Android devices on Google Play): Password is **RH2023**



2.8 Location and opening times of ParcFermé

Nyíregyháza (next to Service Area) 06-08th October 2023

2.9 Location and opening times of the Press Centre

Place: Athletic Center of Nyíregyháza
H-4400 Nyíregyháza, Kerék u.
GPS: N47° 57.353' E21° 41.686'

Date and opening times:

Thursday	05 October 2023	08:00-22:00
Friday	06 October 2023	08:00-22:00
Saturday	07 October 2023	08:00-19:00
Sunday	08 October 2023	08:00-20:00

2.10 Location of the appointed hospitals

Main hospital: Jósa András Oktatókórház
Nyíregyháza, Szent István u. 68, 4400

Back-up hospital: Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén Megyei Központi Kórház
3526 Miskolc, Szentpéteri kapu 72-76,

3. PROGRAMME

3.1 Schedule during the rally week (all time CET)

Wednesday, 04 October 2023		
18:00 - 22:00	Administrative checks (sign-in)	Rally Office
18:00 - 22:00	Distribution of the roadbook Collection of individual event access codes for reconnaissances tracking app	Rally Office
16:00	Opening of the service Park (Nyíregyháza)	See Art. 12.5 SR
22:00	Closing date for shakedown registration	Rally Office
Thursday, 05 October 2023		
07:00 - 23:00	Reconnaissance - Day 1	Details - Appendix 2
08:00	Opening of the service area (Nyíregyháza)	See Art. 12.5 SR
08:00- 22:00	Opening of Press Centre and media accreditation	Nyíregyháza, Athletic Center
08:00- 12:00	Administrative checks (sign-in)	Rally Office
13:00- 20:00	Scrutineering of the cars, marking and sealing Installation of GPS units into rally cars	Nyíregyháza, Platán Autóház
20:00	Team managers meeting	Nyíregyháza, Athletic Center
Friday, 06 October 2023		
07:00 - 12:00	Reconnaissance - Day 2	Details - Appendix 2
09:00 - 11:00	Re-scrutineering	Service Area, next to Refuel zone
11:30	Publication of the Amended entry list	DNB
11:30	Publication of the Starting list for the qualifying stage	DNB

12:30- 14:30	Free practice (FIA and ERC1 Priority drivers entered with Rally2 group cars)	Nyíregyháza
14:45	Qualifying stage (FIA and ERC1 Priority drivers entered with Rally2 group cars)	Nyíregyháza
15:30 – 16:30	Shakedown	Nyíregyháza
16:00	Publication of Provisional Classification QS	DNB
16:30	Publication of Final Classification QS	DNB
16:30	Pre-rally press conference	Nyíregyháza, Service Area
16:30	Selection of starting positions	Nyíregyháza, Service Area
16:30	Publication of Starting lists for LEG 1 Section 1	DNB
17:00	Publication of Starting lists for LEG 1 Section 2	DNB
17:00	Start of Leg 1 (Section 1) TC 0A	Nyíregyháza, Service Area OUT
19:00	Finish of Leg 1 (Section 1) – TC 1 A	Nyíregyháza, Parc Fermé IN
Saturday, 07 October 2023		
07:45	Start of Leg 1 (Section 2) – TC 1B	Nyíregyháza, Parc Fermé OUT
19:04	Finish of Leg 1 (Section 3) – TC 8C	Nyíregyháza, Parc Fermé IN
19:30	Publication of Starting list for Leg 2	DNB
Sunday, 08 October 2023		
07:44	Start of Leg 2 (Section 4) – TC 8D	Nyíregyháza, Parc Fermé OUT
16:15	Finish of the rally – TC 12A	Nyíregyháza, Finish podium
16:15	Prize-giving ceremony	Nyíregyháza, Finish podium
16:45	Final Scrutineering	See Art. 12.8 SR
19:00	Posting of the Provisional classification	DNB

4. FUEL, REFUELLING

4.1 Fuel

Fuel must comply with FIA 2023 Appendix J (Article 252.9).

4.2 Refueling

Crews may refuel only in the designated refueling zones mentioned in the roadbook
Junior ERC: Competitors in the Junior ERC Championship must use fuel from the filling station described below. Service crews are allowed to fill this fuel in their canisters and refuel Junior ERC cars in rally refuel zones.



MOL Filling Station
H-4400 Tokaji út,
GPS: N47 58.661 E21 41.191

Map from the service: <https://bit.ly/3oNPkW1>

Refueling zones:

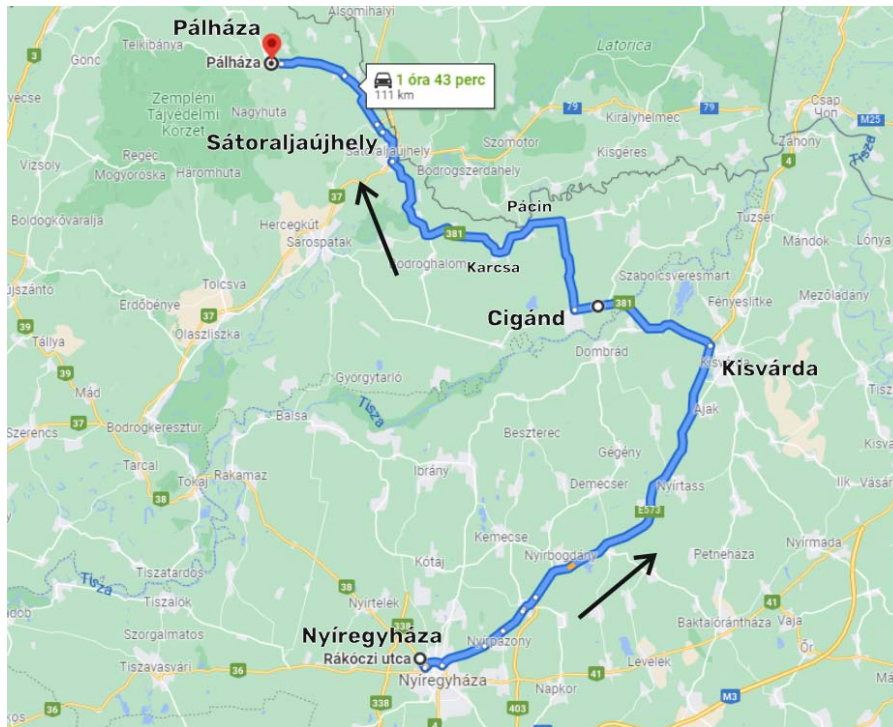
Refuel Zone Nyíregyháza: at the exit of the Service Park



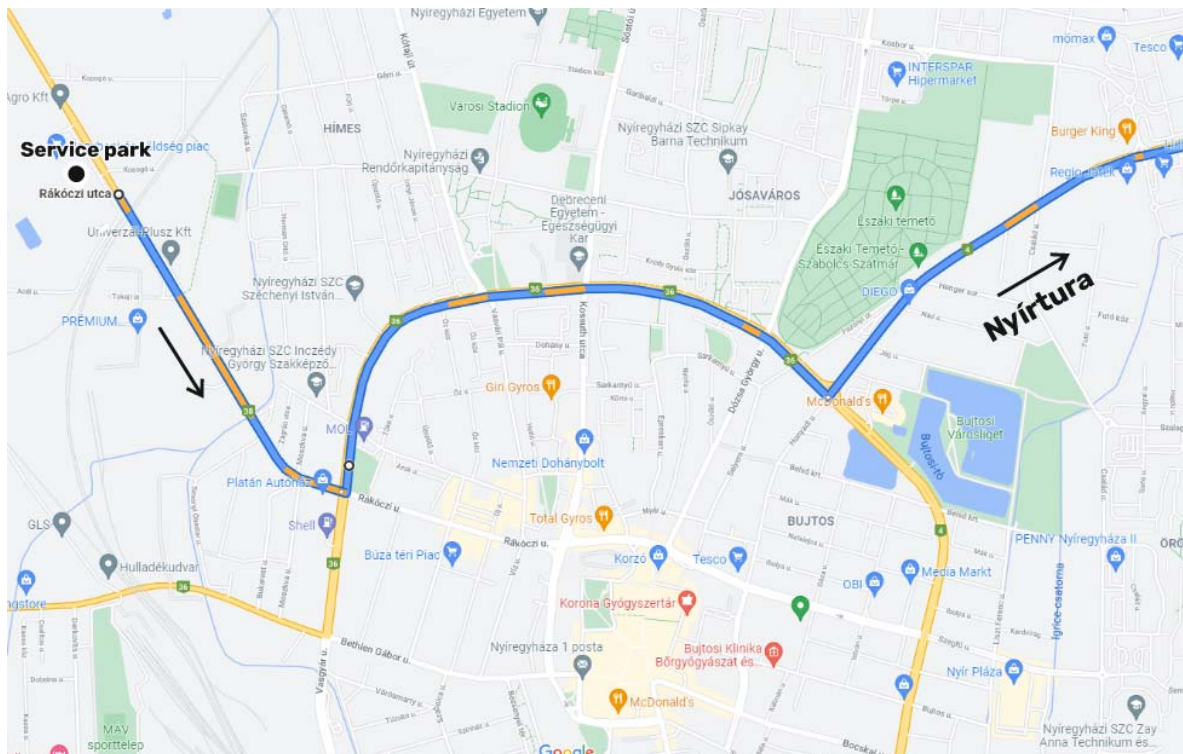
Remote Refuel Zone Pálháza, Market plate, url: <https://goo.gl/maps/L78RmdAVWtzvdZ6t5>

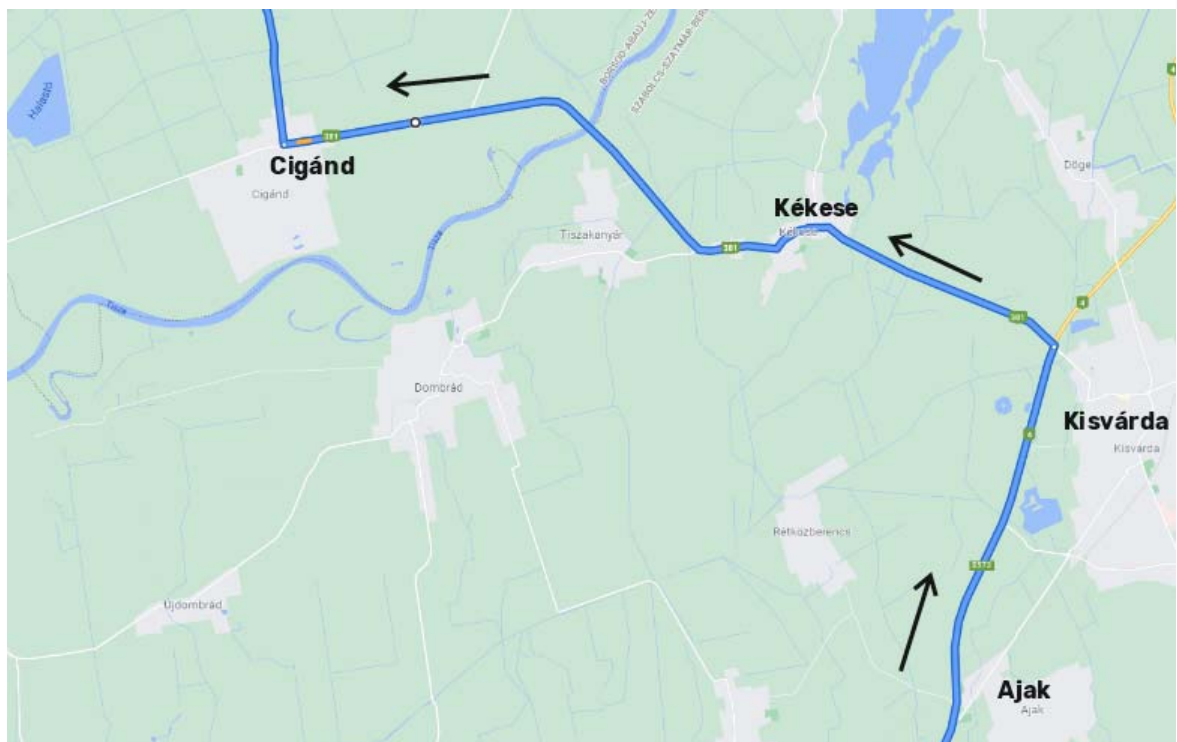
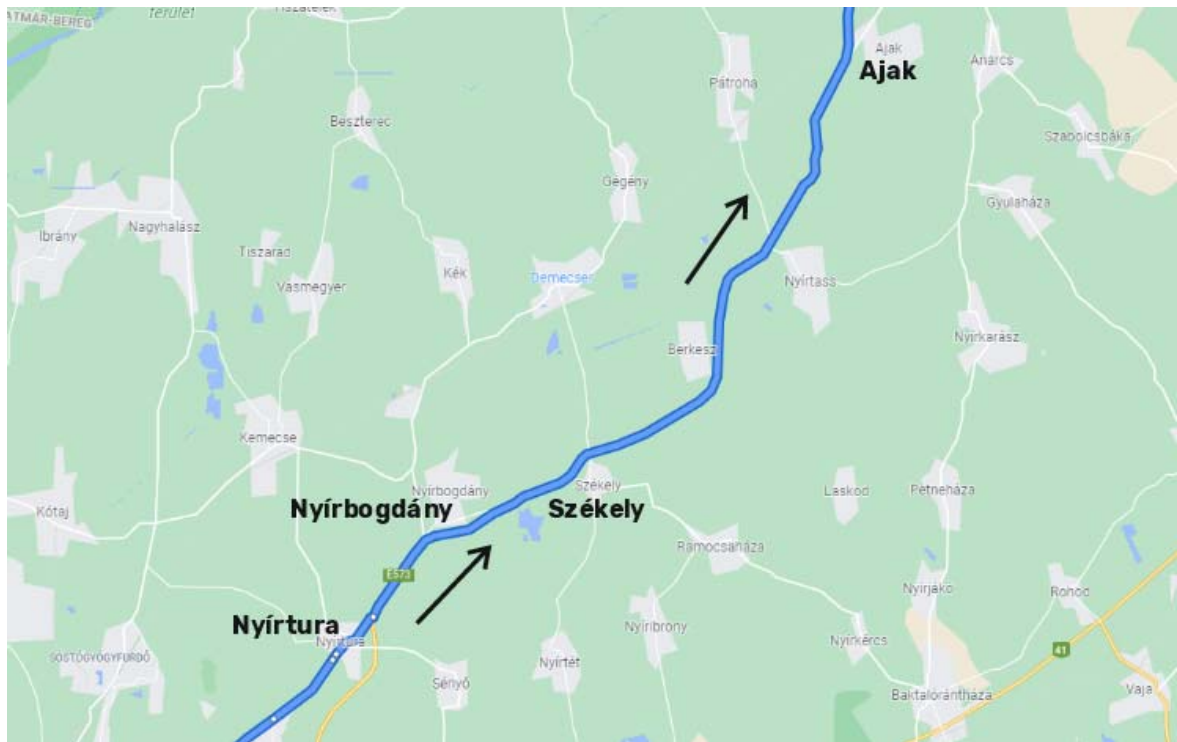
Since there is a Harvest Festival in Tokaj, the bridge will be closed for 2 hours on Saturday, the Organizer forces to pass the bridge on the following route with refuel cars:

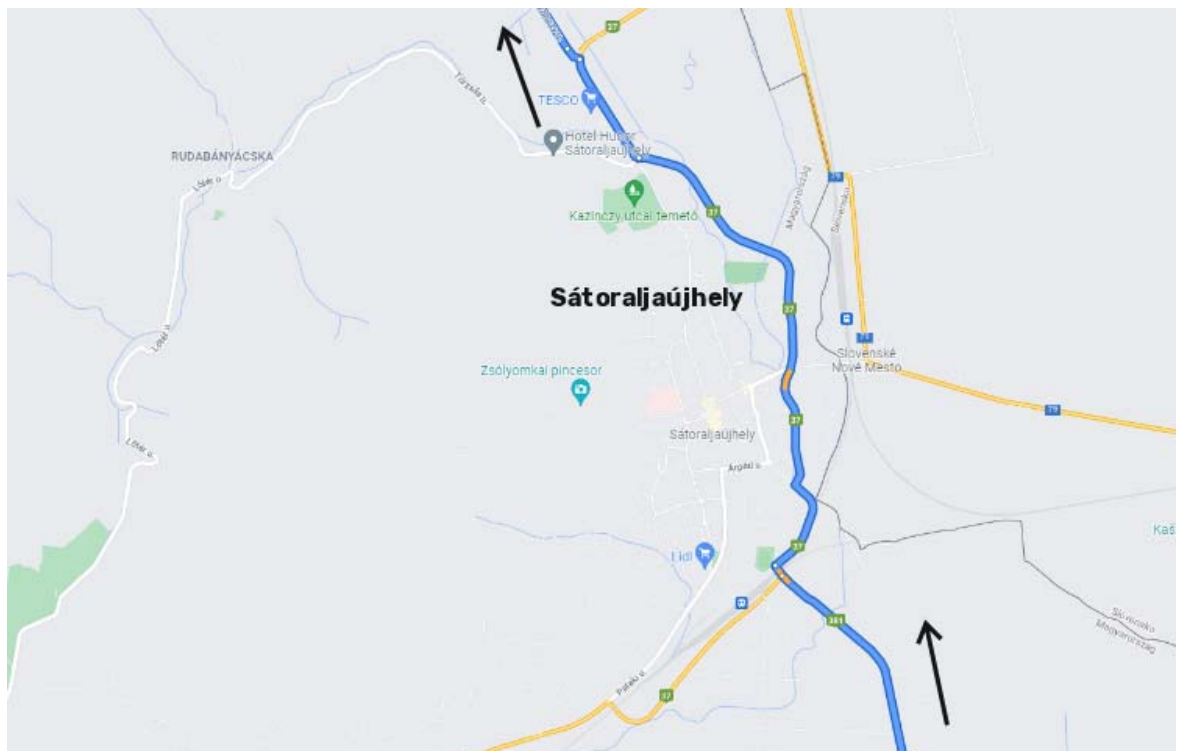
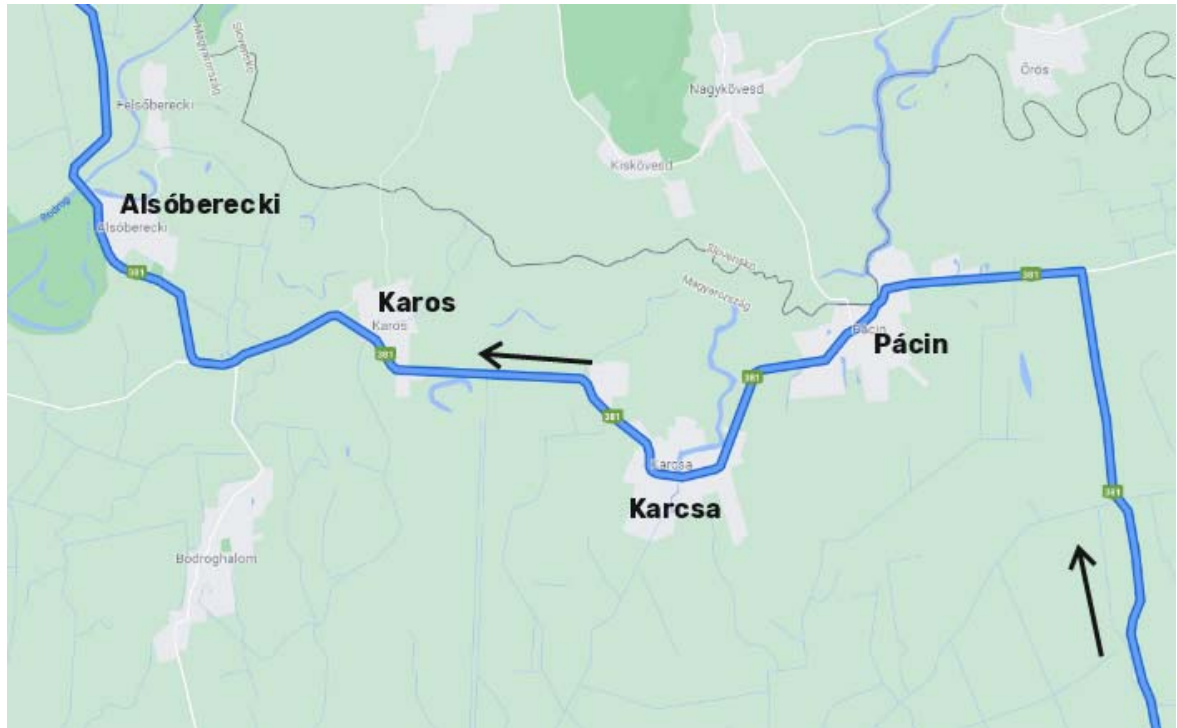
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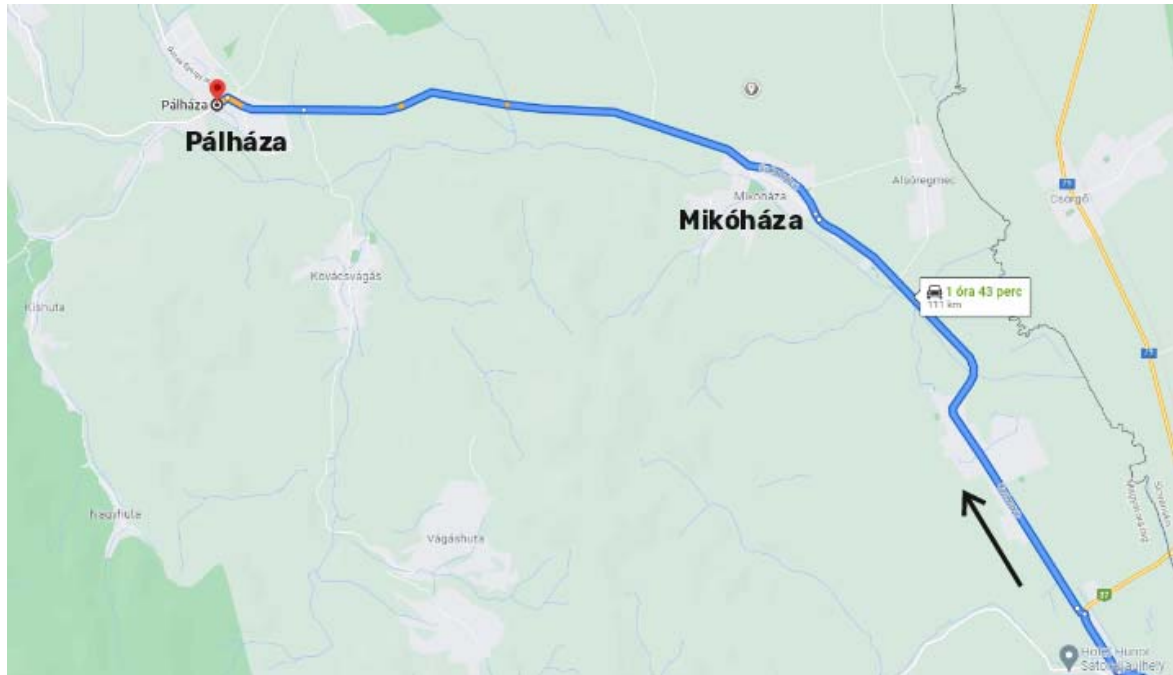


Detailed:

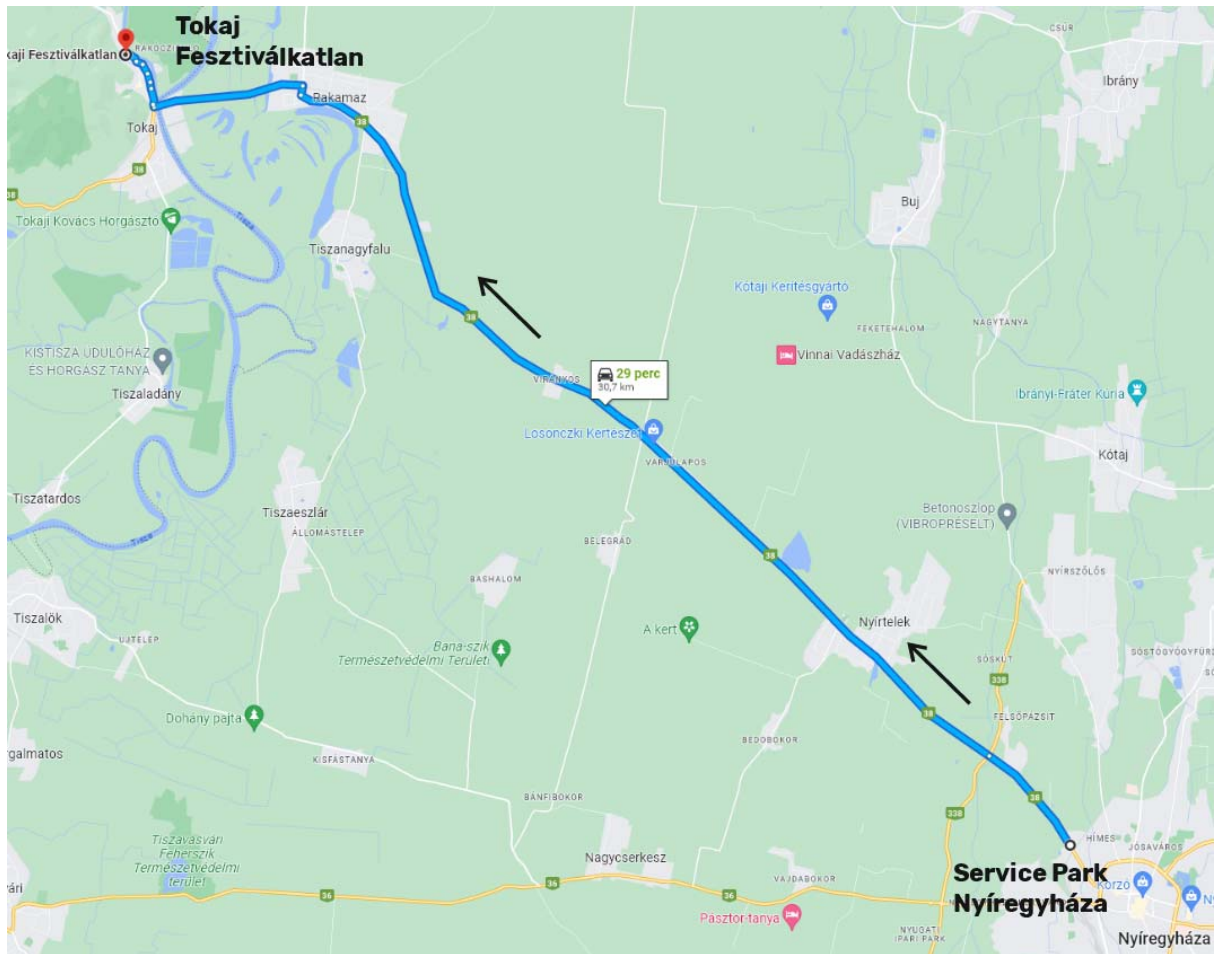


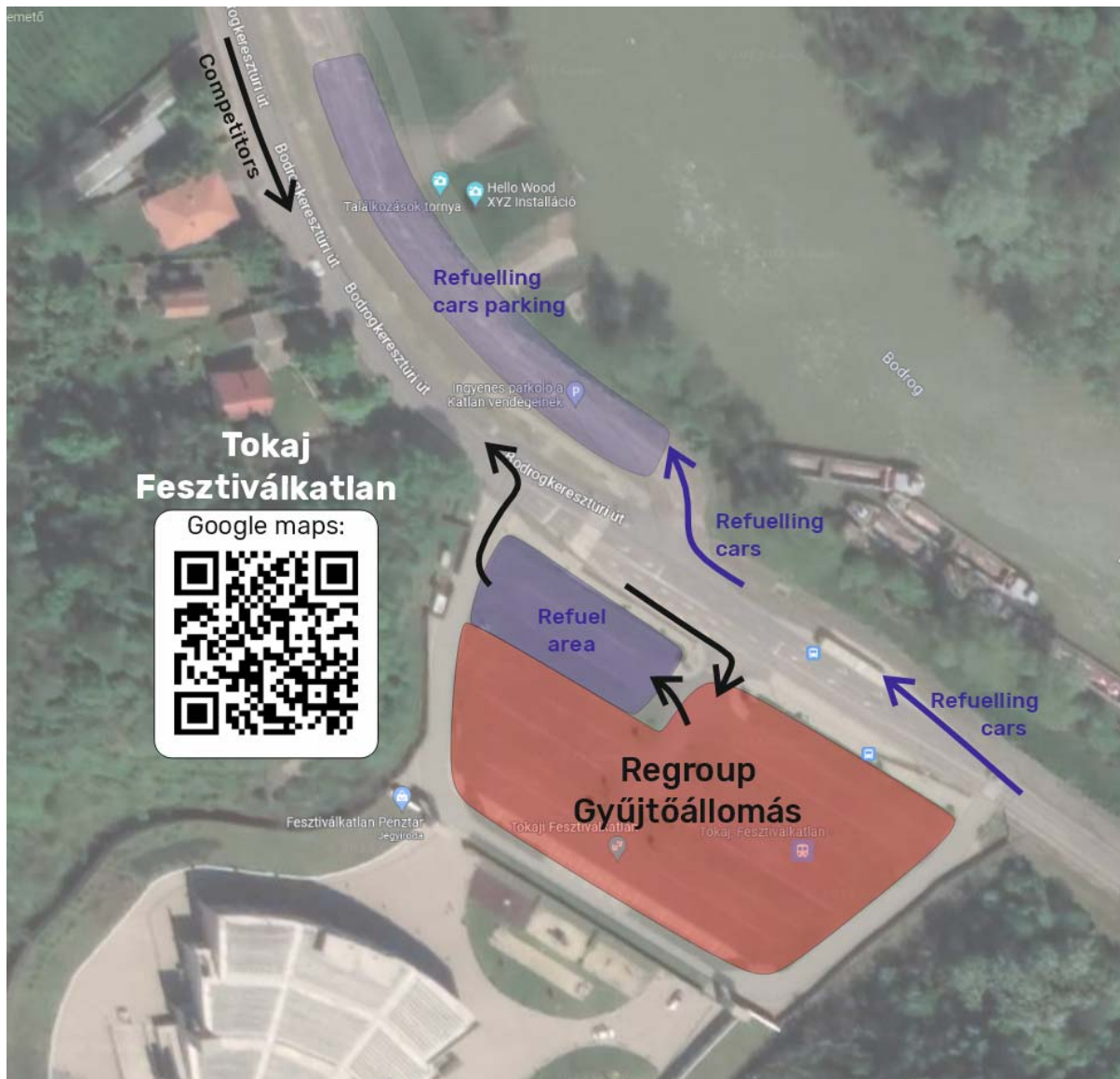






Remote Refuel Zone Tokaj: "Fesztiválatlan", url: <https://goo.gl/maps/b68tsBB35VL9qUsZ6>





During refueling, transporting fuel service crews have to follow the follow the Hungarian laws.

4.3 Refuel zone – Spill kit

All competitors and team members are responsible for running their refueling operation and protecting the ground against spills. Therefore, it is their responsibility to protect the ground with an environmental mat which shall be composed of an absorbent upper part, and an impermeable lower part, following art. 61.2.4 - FIA RRSR

5. RECONNAISSANCE

5.1 Reconnaissance registration

Before the beginning of reconnaissance, each crew must inform and give the details of the car that will be used during the reconnaissance period (make, model, registration plate).

The crew will receive an identification sticker for its car to be used during the reconnaissance period as well as a timecard.

Reconnaissances schedule and passage will be monitored using the STATUS AWARENESS SYSTEM (SAS), see Art. 9.4 of these Supplementary Regulations.

Starting number must be affixed in the right upper part of the windscreen and in both rear side windows during reconnaissance at all the times. Any change of the car must be announced to the organizer in time. The reconnaissance timecard must be returned to the organizer at the end of reconnaissance at HQ.

5.2 The reconnaissance schedule is given in Appendix 2 SR.

5.3 Reconnaissance rules

The crews are obliged to follow all reconnaissance rules specified in the FIA-RRSR and these supplementary regulations.

5.3.1 Reconnaissance will be organized in compliance with art. 35 of the FIA-RRSR and only series production cars conforming to art. 35.1 of FIA -RRSR must be performed.

5.3.2 Any presence of driver or co-driver on the route of special stages during the period of three months before the start of the rally shall be regarded as performed reconnaissance. Drivers, who for whatever reason enter the area used for the Rally Hungary during that period, must promptly inform the Clerk of the Course (M. Lovay, tel.: +36304423060), excluding drivers living in that area, or working there. These restrictions apply to all who wish to attend the rally regardless of whether they already sent the entry form or received the supplementary regulations.

5.3.3 Reconnaissance is restricted to **2 passes** in the same special stage. **Crews are forbidden to drive in the opposite direction to that of the special stages, except for route areas specified in the reconnaissance roadbook.**

Control will be done by GPS tracking and rally officials, who will observe and control Reconnaissance in place. The crews must stop at these controls and present their reconnaissance timecard.

5.3.4 The progress of the reconnaissance will be monitored via GPS system, by the Hungarian police and other rally officials. The maximum speed limitations during reconnaissance follow the Hungarian traffic regulations. Breaking the rules and mainly exceeding the speed limits will be controlled and fined by the Hungary police according to standard procedures. Evaluation of the GPS data is within the competence of the Clerk of the Course. If there will be found that the reconnaissance vehicle is not equipped with a working tracking system, the crew will be penalized according to the Art. 9.3.5 SR.

5.3.5 Driving conduct

Entrants must follow Art. 34 of FIA RRSR.

Illegal reconnaissance performed out of the schedule or performing more passages than permitted will be reported to the stewards.

Speeding during reconnaissance and the rally will incur a fine applied by the clerk of the course as follows:

Per km per hour over the speed limit: **€ 25**

- Other traffic infringements during reconnaissance will incur a fine applied by the Stewards.
- The amount of the fines will be unaltered by any fine imposed by the police.
- The fine will be doubled in case of a second offense committed during reconnaissance in the same rally.

Penalties for infringements during the competition element of the rally:

a) First infringement:

- Speeding: A fine of €25 per km over the speed limit, applied by the clerk of the course,

- Other than speeding: A penalty will be applied by the Stewards.
- b) Second infringement:
 - Speeding: A fine of €50 per km over the speed limit, applied by the clerk of the course,
 - Other than speeding: A penalty will be applied by the Stewards.
- c) Third infringement: A 5-minute time penalty applied by the clerk of the course.
- d) Fourth infringement: Disqualification applied only by the Stewards.

5.4 Tracking system for reconnaissance

All reconnaissance cars must be equipped for reconnaissance with a smartphone-based application RS Lite developed by the FIA official supplier STATUS AWARENESS SYSTEM (SAS). The free App can be downloaded from Google Play or AppStore. SAS will distribute individual event access codes during the Reconnaissance materials distribution in Rally HQ (SAS Office) for a price of **20 Euro**.

Competitors are responsible for having a IOS or Android device capable of using the App with GPS tracking and a battery lasting the entirety of reconnaissance time. Considerations should be made to make sure the smartphone or tablet can be charged and there are no 3rd party applications that disable GPS tracking.

The progress of the Reconnaissance will be monitored via GPS system, by rally officials. Evaluation of the GPS data is within the competence of Clerk of the Course. Reconnaissance cars not equipped with a working RS Lite App will be reported to the Stewards.

6. ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

Administrative checks

Place: Athletic Center of Nyíregyháza, Kerék u.
Date / Time : According to Art. 3.

Crews are obliged to make administrative checks before their time for scrutineering.

The administrative check will be organized remotely after the closing date of entries. All Entrants will get an e-mail with unique details, please pay attention for the incoming emails!

Documents to be checked online:

- Entry confirmation – filled technical card (sent by mail after entry deadline)
- Entry form must be signed during administrative checks by the competitor and drivers;
- Payment receipt of the total entry fee (to ensure that payment is duly receipted before the close of entries)
- Valid entrant's or competitor's license;
- Valid driver's and co-driver's competition licenses;
- Valid driver's and co-driver's driving licenses;
- ASN authorization (mandatory for all foreign competitors);
- Valid car insurance policy, car registration documents (green card);
- Authorization of the car owner in case he is not one of the drivers;
- Photocopy of the page of the homologation form for the entered car indicating number, group, and cylinder capacity;
- Valid on active leisure risks personal accident insurance for all non-EU drivers;
- Certificate of completion for the FIA eLearning Course on FIA Safety Tracking Device (Driver & Codriver) see Art 11.8.3

If any document is missing, or not approved, the secretariat calls for replacement. If there is no way to send it by e-mail, the entrant has to present the correct document in the administrative check time window.

Crews must present their driving licenses during Roadbook issuing.

7. SCRUTINEERING, MARKING AND SEALING

7.1 Scrutineering

Place:	Platán Autóház, 4400 Nyíregyháza, Rákóczi u. 60.
GPS:	N47 57.599 E21 42.267
Date / Time:	According to Art. 3.

The schedule for scrutineering will be published in a bulletin on the Digital Notice Board of the rally. Any delay or early arrival at scrutineering will be penalized by 40 € for every 5 minutes. If the delay exceeds 30 min the crew will be reported to the Stewards.

The team must bring also a filled technical card confirmed from the administrative check.

GPS units are handed over on the Administrative check and need to be installed during Scrutineering. During reconnaissance registration, a caution fee of **€ 100** will be collected from all competitors (in cash) over the Tracking System/GPS, refundable at the end of the rally, after the equipment's good receipt. The fee for the cable unit is € 40, which is not refundable.

Competitors who take part in the official test have to take the "test GPS" unit back at the latest until the Administrative check.

Marking and sealing (together with scrutineering)

Place:	Platán Autóház, 4400 Nyíregyháza, Rákóczi u. 60.
Date / Time :	According to Art. 3.

The actual list of cars to be marked and sealed will be sent with the entry confirmation. Marking and sealing out of given time is penalized by 40 €.

According to the FIA 2023 ERC Sporting Regulations:

- All FIA and ERC priority drivers must seal their transmissions and spares.
- All cars must have an engine block marked.
- All cars equipped with a turbocharger and their spares must be marked.
- For drivers entered with a Rally2 car complying with 2020 Appendix J, Art. 261, it will be possible to use the old part after applying a joker (except reliability and safety jokers).

7.2 Mud flaps

Optional - According to Appendix J Article 252.7.7

7.3 Windows

Following Appendix J Art. 253.11, the use of silvered or tinted films is authorized, on the rear side windows, on the rear window, and the sunroof. Silvered or tinted films fitted on rear side windows must have an opening equivalent to the surface of a circle of 70 mm in diameter.

7.4 Safety equipment of crews

Every competitor is obliged to put forward full clothes, which will be used including helmets and FHR system, and filled safety equipment documents. The agreement will be checked with chap. III Appendix L ISC and with technical regulations.

Drivers and co-drivers who wear full-face helmets must be able to pass the following test to ensure that appropriate access to the airway of an injured driver is possible:

- the driver is to be seated in his car, with helmet and FIA-approved head restraint in place and attached and safety harness buckled.
- with the help of two rescuers, the chief medical officer of the competition (or, if present, the FIA medical delegate), must be able to remove the helmet with the driver's head maintained permanently in a neutral position.

If this is impossible, the driver will be required to wear an open-face helmet, according to Appendix 5.

7.5 Outside noise level of cars

All cars must be equipped with a stable exhaust silencer. The outside noise level measured by the

stationary method may not exceed 102 dB(A) for all cars. (A/slow) The noise level will be measured at 3500 revs/min. in petrol engine cars and at 2500 rpm. in diesel engine cars.

The noise level will be measured during scrutineering and eventually at any point during the rally. Any exceeding of noise limit during scrutineering results in start refusal, any exceeding of noise limit in the course of the rally will be reported to the Stewards who may apply sanctions according to the art. 12.1 and 12.2 of the FIA International Sporting Code.

7.5.1 Catalytic converters

All vehicles must be obligatorily equipped with a homologated catalytic converter.

For missing, incomplete, or ineffective catalytic converters identified during scrutineering, the crew shall be refused a start. A car with a missing or incomplete catalytic converter during rally shall be reported to the Stewards, who may impose penalty following art. 12.1 and 12.2 of the FIA International Sporting Code.

7.5.2 Car lighting

In Hungary, it is obligatory to use a headlamp in liaison road sections between special stages. It is possible to use car lighting only through the original fitted and auxiliary headlamps with EHK ("E") homologation. Headlamps without homologation cannot be used during connection road sections. Complying with this provision will be checked by judges of fact. Any infringement will be reported to the Stewards who may impose sanctions complying art. 12.1 and 12.2 of the FIA International Sporting Code.

7.6 Obligatory monitoring device (GPS)

According to Appendix 6.

7.7 On-board cameras

The competitor of any car which carries an on-board camera must have the prior agreement of the ERC Promoter. Authorized cameras will be identified by an adhesive decal and must be mounted in the car at the time of Scrutineering.

Competitors wishing to use a camera must supply the following information to the ERC Promoter (accreditation@fiaerc.com) at least one week before the start of Reconnaissance:

Documentation can be downloaded from the championship Sportity account – FIAERCcomp.

7.8 Installation of Rally Safety Tracking System

7.8.1 All cars must be fitted with the SAS Safety Tracking System. Any competitor with a competition car without properly mounted and fully operational the SAS Safety Tracking System will not be authorized to start: Free Practice, Qualifying Stage, Shakedown and the Rally.

7.8.2 Competitors will receive SAS Safety Tracking System in Rally HQ (SAS Office) during registration for Reconnaissance. Systems may be collected either by the crew or a representative. **No deposit will be collected** for the rally safety tracking equipment, but all the damage caused will be invoiced afterwards.

7.8.3 Competitors must have installed the SAS Safety Tracking System in their rally cars before the car is brought to Scrutineering. The system will be checked during Scrutineering. For installation and operating instructions see Appendix 6.

All drivers and co-drivers entered in this event are strongly advised to complete the new FIA eLearning course on the usage of the SAS tracker / FIA Emergency Console. The assessment is available on the website: <https://elearning.fia.com/learn/register> in English and French. We strongly recommend doing it before the reconnaissance starts. For the user instruction please refer to Appendix 7.

7.8.4 SAS Safety Tracking System devices can be removed in the Final Parc Fermé and returned to SAS Office no later than 30 minutes after the opening of the Final Parc Fermé. Should a crew retire, the equipment must be returned immediately to SAS.

8. OTHER PROCEDURES

8.1 Start procedure and order



8.1.1 Start of the rally

On the Digital notice board (in given times according to SR Program) there will be published starting order for:

Name	TC	Description	Start order
Qualifying	TC Qs	FIA, ERC1 Priority drivers with Rally2 cars with 2 minutes interval	
Leg 1- Section 1	TC 0A	Reversed starting order according to starting numbers in 2 minutes intervals.	ERC, HRC*
Start for Section 2 of Leg 1	TC 1B	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - FIA, ERC1 Priority drivers with Rally2 cars according to their selection with 2 minutes interval. - other ERC1 priority drivers with Rally2 cars will start according to results from QS in 2 minutes interval. - other ERC priority drivers will start according to ERC Championship standings with 1 minute interval in a merged group (ERC3, ERC4). - the rest of the drivers in 1 minute according to their starting numbers. 	ERC, HRC*
Start for Leg 2	TC 7D	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - The first 15 cars in the overall classification will re-start as a merged group in reverse order according to their classification after Leg 1 in 2 minutes intervals. - All other drivers shall normally re-start in the order of their classification (1-minute intervals). 	ERC, HRC*

*HRC: Hungarian Rally Championship

Time Cards change during the rally will be in time controls 1A, 5A, 8A, 8D, 10A, 11A, 12A
The new Time Cards will be given by the Marshals at the Time Controls listed above.

8.1.2 Ceremonial start

There will be no Ceremonial Start.

8.1.3 Restart after retirement

Any crew which has failed to complete SSS 1 Rabócsiring - Road Section (Section 1 of Leg 1) may start of Section 2 of Leg 1. The car must report to the overnight Parc Fermé prior to the next Section no later than 1 hour before the scheduled start of Section 2. Re-scrutineering will be 1 hour before the start of the 1st driver into Section 2 of Leg 1.

Any crew which has failed to complete Leg 1 may be assumed to re-start the rally from the start of the next Leg unless they confirm otherwise in writing to the clerk of the course. For a new start the condition according to the art. 54 FIA-RRSR must be followed.

The competitor must advise the organizer in writing of the reason for retirement (e.g. accident, technical problems, etc.) and the intention to have the car re-scrutineered **at the latest one hour before the publication to the start list of Leg 2**. The car must report to the overnight Parc Fermé before the next Leg no later than 1 hour before the scheduled start of Leg 2. The new time for scrutineering will be 1 hour before the start of the 1st driver on Leg 2.

Penalties for retired Crews in Leg 1 will be applied as per article 54.2 of RRSR.

8.1.4 Start of special stages

The start to all special stages except SS1, SS5 and SS10 will be given by an electronic digital countdown system, counting down by seconds and clearly visible to the crew from the start position. This start line detection device is 50 cm after the start line in the height of 50 (+/- 5) cm. The car must be placed in such a way that its foremost part is on the level of the start line.

Light signals combined with a digital countdown system will be used:

- 30 sec: the starter shows `30sec` signboard
- 15 sec: the starter shows `15sec` signboard
- 10 sec: the starter points on the starting countdown system
- 5 ... -1 sec: red light segments will be switched on (second by second)
- 0 sec: START, the red light turns into the green
- +20 sec: green light switches off, the Art. 48.4.3 of the FIA-RRSR will be applied.



In case of electronic digital countdown system breakdown, the car will be started on the instruction given by the Start Marshal according to Art. 48.3. of RRSR

8.2 Finish procedure

The competitive part of the rally ends in the Time Control at the entrance to the Podium (TC 12A). All crews of the rally will be awarded according to the art. 14.2 will be over-given on the finish ramp. After the ceremony, crews will get a new time card and they are obliged to go straight to the Parc Fermé according the time mentioned in the time card, and following the route described in the Roobook.

8.3 Permitted early check-in

Early arrival without penalty is permitted only at TC QS PF, TC 1A, TC 8C, TC 12A, Final Parc Fermé

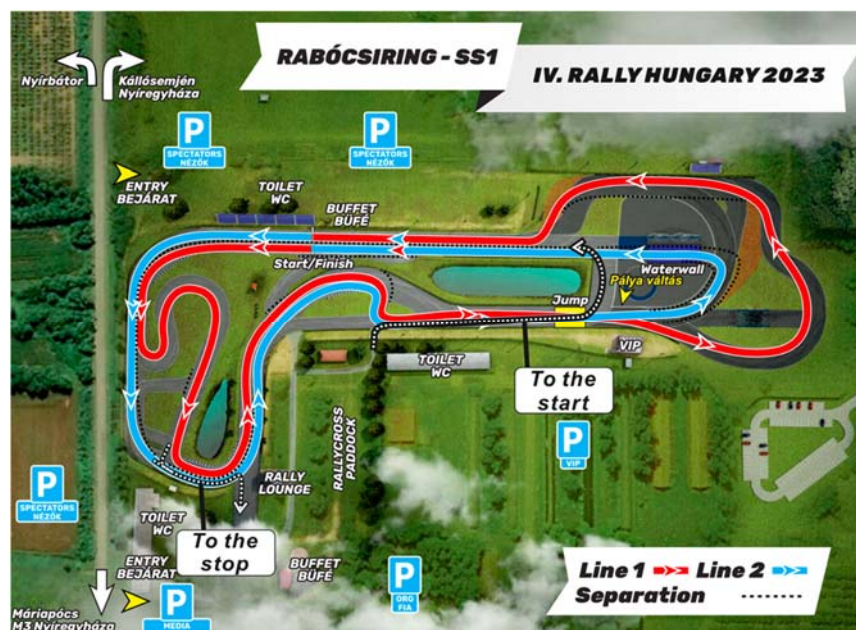
8.4 Special stages

8.4.1 SS1-Rabócsiring Friday, 06 October 2023

SS1 is a superspecial stage formed in loop. Competitors shall leave the stage towards the finish after the laps – according to Road Book.

After checking in the TC crews must follow the marshals' instructions. Each car will be noted with a „RIGHT” or „LEFT” sign, which means the side of their starting position. Basically, the lower starting number will start on the right, higher number on the left, but the organizer keeps the right to change it.

On SS1 SSS Rabócsiring crews must follow the map below:



In the first lap at the changing point (after the jump) crews started on the left have to turn right, crews started from the right have to turn left. In the second lap according to the map above.

After the finish crews have to leave the track according to the map above. It is forbidden to make doughnuts after finishing the stage.

Crews made mistakes while completing the stage (e.g. choosing the wrong line at changing point, cutting the track, making fewer laps) will be penalized with the worst time in their class + 1 minute. 2 minutes penalty will be added to the affected crew's time, if no crews finish the stage in the class.

The start procedure uses the system as normal stages, crews must follow the marshal's instructions.

8.4.2 Superspecial Stage in Nyíregyháza, Superspecial Stage in Mád

SS5 Nyíregyháza City SS and SS10 Sárga borház are superspecial stages formed in loop. Competitors shall leave the stage towards finish according to Road Book.

Those who do not complete all laps of the SS5 Nyíregyháza City SS according to Road Book will be penalized for 5 minutes by the CoC.

Those who do not complete all laps of the SS10 Sárgaborház according to Road Book will be penalized for 15 minutes by the CoC.

Those who run more laps, get their actual time. Cars stopped according to technical failure must keep off. Only the chief marshal of the stage shall authorize removing the car.

The start procedure uses start light, where the exact moment of the start is when the red light extinguished. Crews have to leave the start position within 5 seconds.

Red light appears again reminding the car unable to leave the start line within 5 seconds after the red start-light extinguished. In this case, the marshal cancels the start procedure. The penalty then being 1 minute per minute of fraction of a minute. (See RRSR Art. 48.4.1.)

8.4.3 Barriers

Due to safety reasons, barriers/anti-cut devices will be placed on the rally route and will be observed by judges of facts

Barriers (chicanes) will be formed with tires, straw bales, or plastic barrels. Any crew which bypasses, skips, or moves away the barriers will be reported to the Stewards.

8.5 Service Park

8.5.1 Location and organization of service park

Place: Nyíregyháza Market
GPS: N47 58.140 E21 41.567
Date: According to Art.3.

Additional space can be ordered for a price of 15 € per 1 m².

Connection to electricity included in the entry fee with 3x16 Amper.

Any further energy request need to be noted by the Organizer at

rallyhungary@trpevents.hu. Fees (including all costs of the consumption and building a connection point at a maximum distance of 30 m from the Crew's service location):

- 3 x 32 Amper: 100 EUR
- 3 x 63 Amper: 200 EUR
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In order to preserve the cleanliness of the Service Park, the organiser has the right to check the competitors' service area by Service Park marshals. When the competitor leaves his service area after the race weekend, he and his team must clean their service area from all the garbage.

In order to ensure this, during the administrative check every driver must pay **100 EUR deposit**. The deposit will be given back in case the driver's team left their service area clean, and the marshal who check the area gives the team a receipt, which proves that the area is clean and the environment is unharmed. This receipt shall be presented at the Rally Office during the opening hours of the office in order to receive the deposit back. After the closing of the Rally Office at the end of the weekend, the deposit is not refundable. In case of a common service with 2 or more drivers on the same service area, each driver gets their own receipt.

Driving in Service Park

During the service time between the first rally car enters and the last car leaves the service park, it is strictly forbidden for all service vehicles to enter or drive inside the service park. Every infringement will be sanctioned by the Clerk of the Course with a penalty of 100 €. The service park is one-way both for rally cars as well as the service and auxiliary vehicles. Maximum speed inside the service park is limited by 30 km/h.

Service park GPS:



8.5.2 Catering in the service area/park

If your team or any other company would like to have catering for their guests in the service area, it must be settled with the organizer before starting administrative checking. In other cases, organizers can forbid this catering. An exception is a food supply for crews and mechanics. Concerning waste disposal, the Organizer can levy a charge for costs. Selling food and drinks in the service area without the permission of organizers is strictly forbidden.

8.5.3 Shows and exhibitions in service area/park

If any team or company would like to organize shows or exhibitions for their guests in the service area, they must ask organizers for permission before administrative check. All shows and exhibitions in the service area without the permission of organizers are strictly forbidden.

8.6 Official time used during the rally

Official time throughout the entire rally GPS given time.

8.7 Entrance to the regrouping area and parc fermé

8.7.1 SAS Safety GPS tracking staff are allowed to enter the regrouping area and parc fermé to maintain or repair the GPS tracking systems installed in the rally cars. They have to be accompanied by a scrutineer and competitor or at least one representative of the team.

8.7.2 TV Crews, which will be published by the CoC information, are allowed to enter the regrouping area and parc fermé in order to maintain the camera systems installed in the rally cars or to exchange the data recording media. They have to be accompanied by a scrutineer and at least one representative of the team (driver, co-driver, and/or competitor).

8.8 Final scrutineering

Place:	Platán Autóház H-4400 Nyíregyháza, Rákóczi u. 60.
Date:	08 October 2023
Time:	According to Art. 3.

Cars subject to final checks must have one representative of the entrant as well as mechanics present at the final scrutineering.

Subjected cars will be escorted from the finish podium to the place of the final scrutineering, and after it to the Parc Ferme.

Appendix 1 - Itinerary

ERC Free Practice & Qualifying							06 10 2023 Friday
TC	SS	Location	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target time	1st car due
Service OUT							
RZ	Refuel Zone (Nyíregyháza)						
QS	Distance to next refuel						
		Free practice opens					12:30
		Free practice close					14:30
QS		Nyíregyháza lőté					14:41
QS	Nyíregyháza	QUALIFYING STAGE	4,08			0:05	14:46
QS PF	Parc Fermé IN	(Nyíregyháza, Early check in permitted)		15,25	19,33	0:25	15:11
LEG 1 (Section 1)							06 10 2023 Friday
TC	SS	Location	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target time	1st car due
0A		Service Area OUT (Tyre marking)					17:00
1		Máriapócs		33,4	33,4	0:57	17:57
SS	1	SSS Rabócsiring	2,4			0:03	18:00
1A		Parc Fermé IN (Nyíregyháza, Early check in permitted)		33,75	36,15	1:00	19:00
Sunrise: 06:48 / Sunset: 18:14			SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.		
LEG 1 (Section 1) total:			2,40	67,15	69,55	3,45%	

LEG 1 (Section 2, 3)
07 10 2023 Saturday

TC	SS	Location	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target time	1st car due
1 B		Parc Fermé OUT / Service IN (Nyíregyháza)				7:45	
		Service "A" - Nyíregyháza	(2,40)	(67,15)	(69,55)	15'	
1 C		Service OUT Tyre markings				8:00	
RA 1		Refuel Area (Nyíregyháza) Distance to next refuel	(19,90)	(79,82)	(99,72)		
2		Újhuta		70,00	70,00	1:20	9:20
SS 2		Újhuta-Nyíri / 1	19,90			9:23	
RA 2		Refuel Area (Pálháza) Distance to next refuel	(34,40)	(91,80)	(126,20)		
3		Füzérkomlós		17,12	37,02	0:55	10:18
SS 3		Füzér - Abaújszárlat / 1	24,50			10:21	
4		Abaújkér		32,10	56,60	1:00	11:21
SS 4		Aranyosivölgy / 1	9,90			11:24	
RA 3		Refuel Area (Nyíregyháza) Distance to next refuel	(9,63)	(7,60)	(17,23)		
5		Nyíregyháza		55,70	65,60	1:20	12:44
SS 5		Nyíregyháza Városi SSS	9,63			12:47	
5 A		Regroup & Technical Zone IN Technical control Zone (Nyíregyháza)		4,30	13,93	0:18	13:05
5 B		Regroup & Technical Zone OUT - Service IN				50'	13:55
		Service "B" - Nyíregyháza	(63,93)	(179,22)	(243,15)	30'	
5 C		Service OUT Tyre markings				14:25	
RA 4		Refuel Area (Nyíregyháza) Distance to next refuel	(19,90)	(79,82)	(99,72)		
6		Újhuta		70,00	70,00	1:20	15:45
SS 6		Újhuta-Nyíri / 2	19,90			15:48	
RA 5		Refuel Area (Pálháza) Distance to next refuel	(34,40)	(92,20)	(126,60)		
7		Füzérkomlós		17,12	37,02	0:55	16:43
SS 7		Füzér - Abaújszárlat / 2	24,50			16:46	
8		Abaújkér		32,10	56,60	1:00	17:46
SS 8		Aranyosivölgy / 2	9,90			17:49	
8 A		Regroup & Technical Zone IN Technical control Zone (Nyíregyháza)		52,80	62,70	1:10	18:59
8 B		Regroup & Technical Zone OUT - Service IN				10'	19:09
		Flexi Service "C" (Nyíregyháza)	(54,30)	(172,02)	(226,32)	45'	
8 C		Service OUT - Overnight Regroup IN					19:54
All cars must be returned to Parc Fermé no later than:							21:00
Sunrise: 06:50 / Sunset: 18:12			SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.		
LEG 1 (Section 2,3) total:			118,23	351,24	469,47	25,18%	

Section 2

Section 3

LEG 2 (Section 4, 5, 6)
08 10 2023 Sunday

TC	SS	Location	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target time	1st car due
8 D		Parc Fermé OUT / Service IN (Nyíregyháza)					7:44
		Service "D" (Nyíregyháza)	(59,63)	(230,70)	(290,33)	15'	
8 E		Service OUT Tyre markings					7:59
RA 6		Refuel Area (Nyíregyháza) Distance to next refuel	(10,80)	(116,10)	(126,90)		
9		Óhuta		66,00	66,00	1:10	9:09
SS 9		Óhuta-Fony / 1	10,80				9:12
RA 7		Refuel Area (Tokaj) Distance to next refuel	(25,35)	(23,80)	(49,15)		
10		Sárga borház		62,20	73,00	1:16	10:28
SS 10		Sárga borház LOOPED / 1	25,35			0:07	10:35
10 A		Regroup & Technical Zone IN		11,70	37,05	0:35	11:10
		Regroup & Technical Zone (Tokaj)					
10 B		Regroup & Technical Zone OUT				0:30	11:40
RA 8		Refuel Area (Tokaj) Distance to next refuel	(10,80)	(85,30)	(96,10)		
11		Óhuta		35,20	35,20	0:45	12:25
SS 11		Óhuta-Fony / 2	10,80				12:28
11 A		Regroup & Technical Zone IN		50,10	60,90	1:10	13:38
		Regroup & Technical Zone (Tokaj)					
11 B		Regroup & Technical Zone OUT				1:05	14:43
RA 9		Refuel Area (Tokaj) Distance to next refuel	(12,68)	(58,20)	(70,88)		
12		Sárga borház		12,10	12,10	0:19	15:02
SS 12		Sárga borház / 1 - POWER STAGE	12,68				15:05
12 A		Regroup & Technical Zone IN		43,50	56,18	1:10	16:15
		Regroup & Technical Zone (Nyíregyháza)				10'	
12 B		Regroup & Technical Zone OUT - Service IN				0:10	16:25
		Service "F" - Nyíregyháza	(59,63)	(280,80)	(340,43)	10'	
12 C		Service OUT Tyre markings				0:10	16:35
12 D		Finish podium IN (Nyíregyháza)		2,6	2,60	0:10	16:45
16:45							

Sunrise: 06:51 / Sunset: 18:10

SS dist.
Liaison dist.
Total dist.
LEG 2 (Section 4, 5, 6) total: 4 SS
59,63
283,40
343,03
17,38%
TOTALS OF THE RALLY

	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	
06 10 2023 Friday Section 1	2,40	67,15	69,55	3,45%
07 10 2023 Saturday Section 2,3	118,23	351,24	469,47	25,18%
08 10 2023 Sunday Section 4, 5, 6	59,63	283,40	343,03	17,38%
Össz / Total: 14 SS	180,26	701,79	882,05	20,44%

Appendix 2 – Reconnaissance

Thursday, 05 October 2023

07:00-20:00

Reconnaissance Day 1	SS No.	SS km	To the start from finish* (km)	To the next Stage from finish (km)
Service Park				70
Újhuta	SS2, SS6	19,9	55,9	3,0
Füzér- Abaújtári elágazás	SS3, SS7	24,5	21,3	30,8
Aranyosi völgy	SS4, SS8	9,90	39,5	To 'Újhuta': 25,3
				To the service: 53,2

* : without passing other stages

14:00 – 19:00

QS / Shakedown Nyíregyháza (3,30 km)

18:00 – 23:00

SS1 – SSS Rabócsiring (2,4 km)

20:00 – 22:00

SS5 – SSS Nyíregyháza (9,63 km)

Speed limits in Hungary:



Friday, 06 October 2023

07:00- 12:00

Reconnaissance Day 2	SS No.	SS km	To the start from finish* (km)	To next Stage from finish (km)
Service Park				66,0
Óhuta	SS9, SS11	10,80	10,80	34,8
Sárga borház	SS10, SS12	SS10: 25,35 SS12: 12,68	0,95	To „Óhuta”: 32,9
				To the service: 43,5

* : without passing other stages

On the stage SS9, SS11 Óhuta- Fony it is permitted to drive back to the start from the finish in the opposite direction of the stage will be organized.

The speed limit is 50 km/h in the following sections of the special stages:

Stage	From (km)	To (km)	Comments
SS 2, 6 – Újhuta	0,00 km	14,90 km	After this section: Traffic laws!
SS 3, 7 – Füzér- Abaújtár	0,00 km	11,60 km	After this section: Traffic laws!
SS10, 12 – Sárga borház	0,00 km	25,35 km	The whole stage is limited!

Appendix 3 - CROs – names, photographs and duties schedule

The principal duty of the CRO is to provide information or clarifications in connection with the regulations and the running of the rally to the competitors/crews. There must be at least one at each rally who must be easily identified by the competitors or crews and shall be present according to the CRO schedule. This schedule of their duties will be posted on the Official notice board of the rally.

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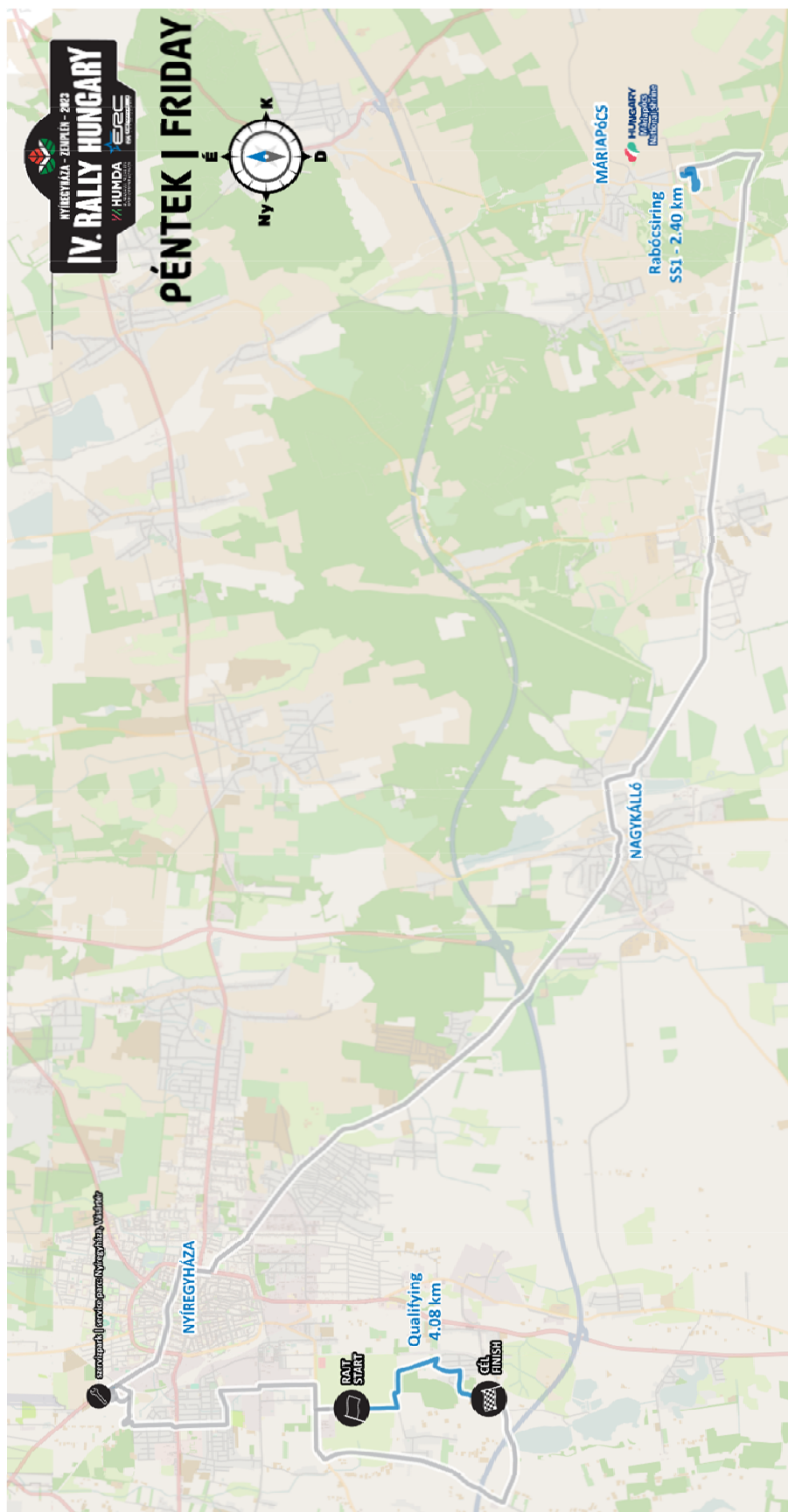


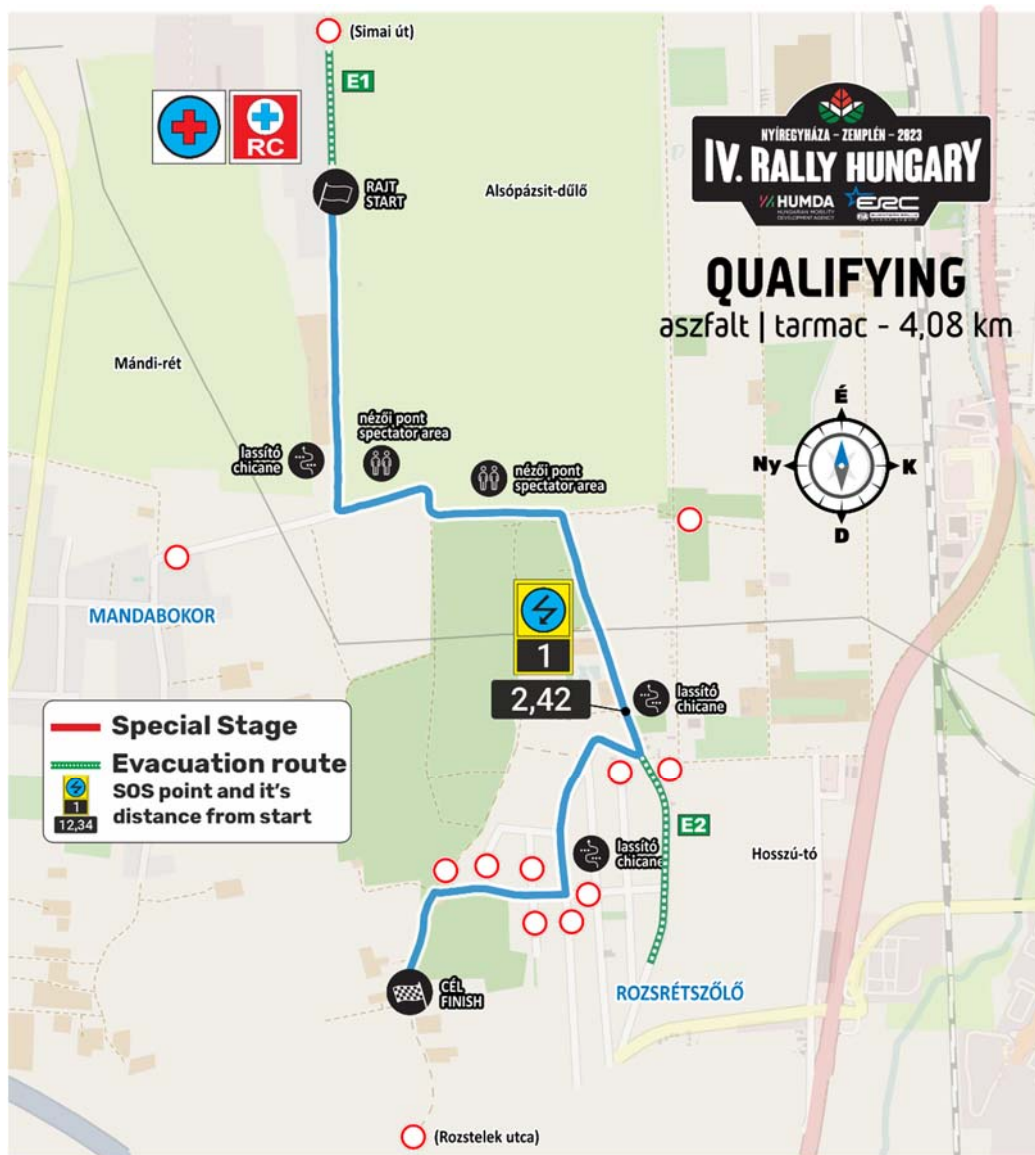
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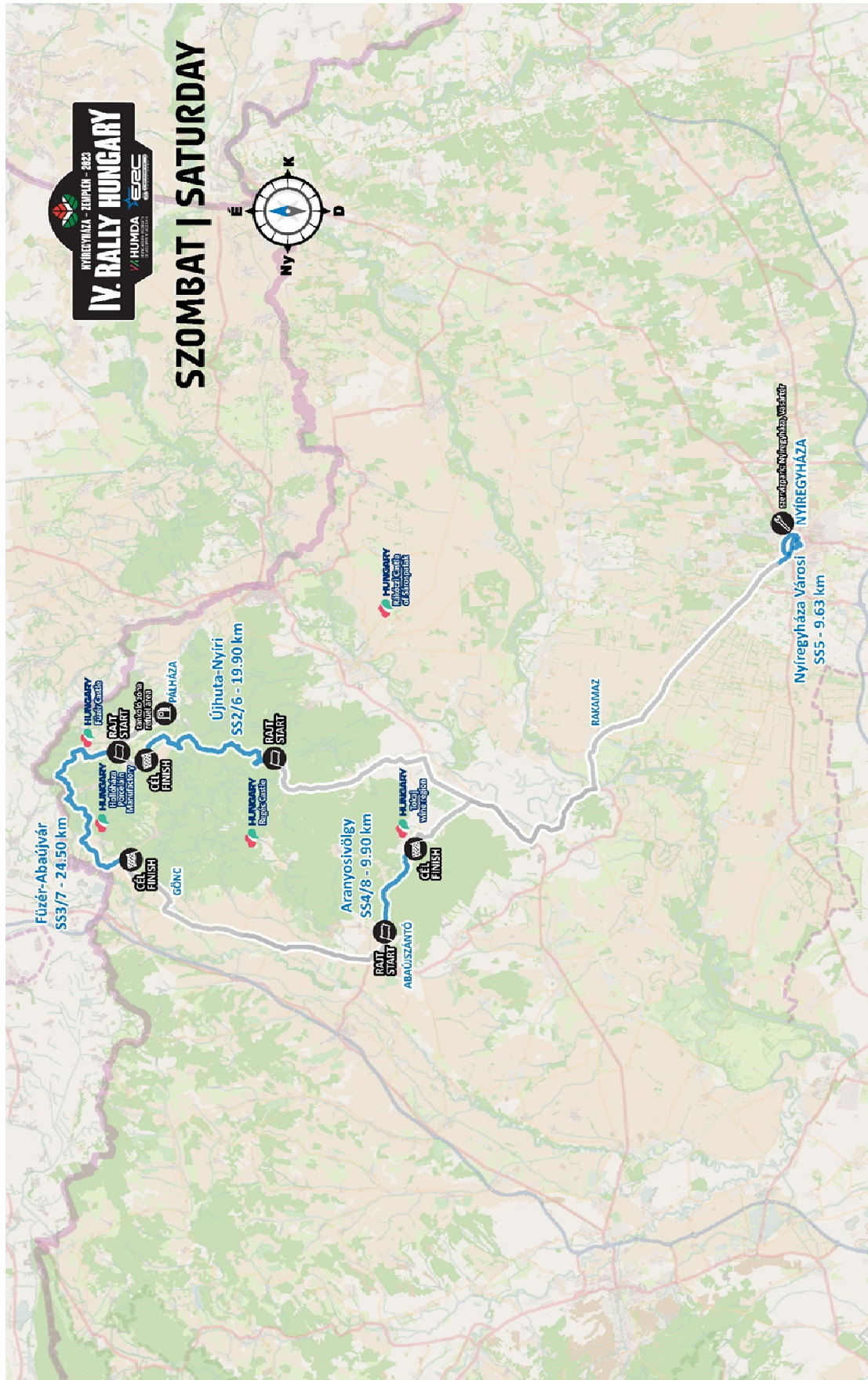
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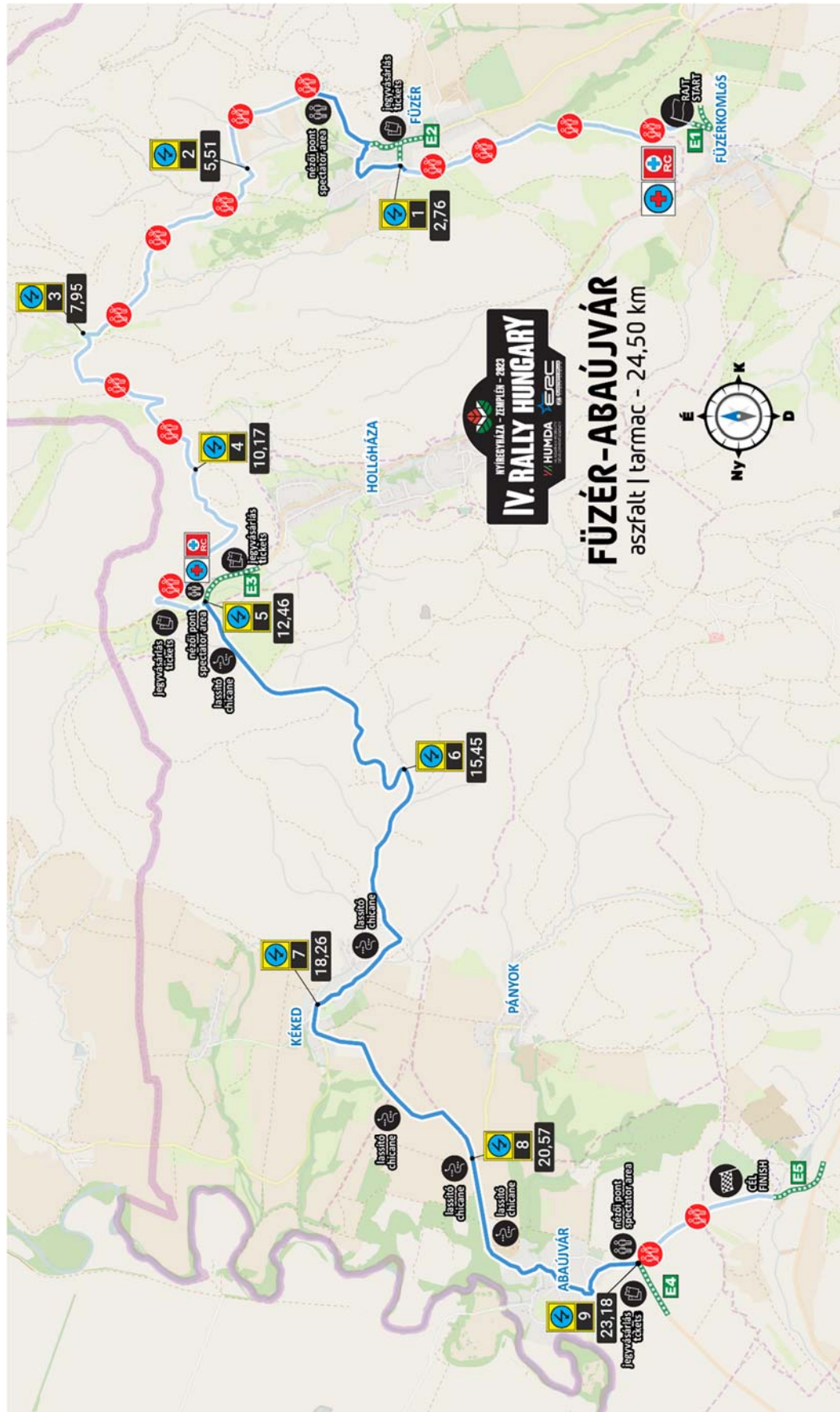


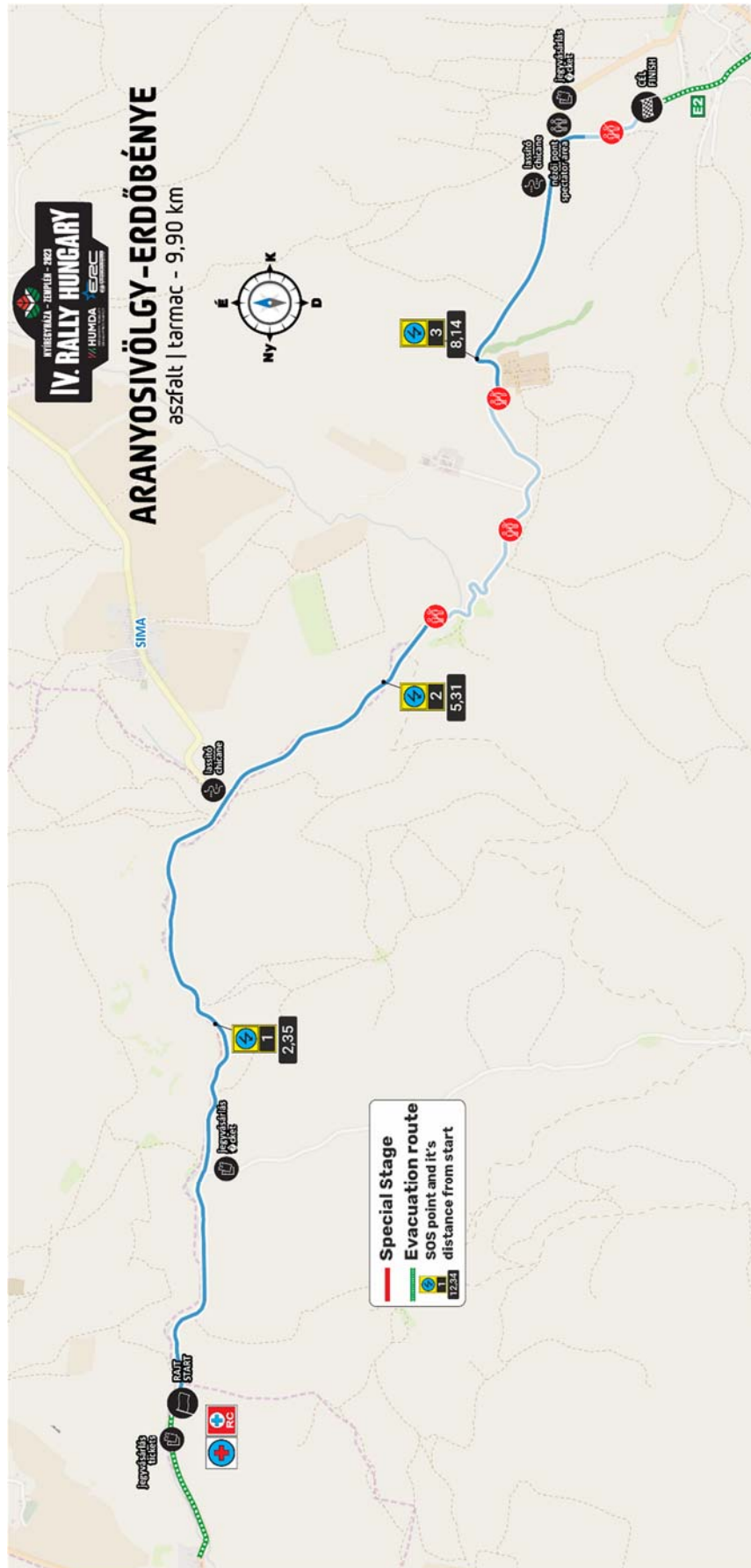




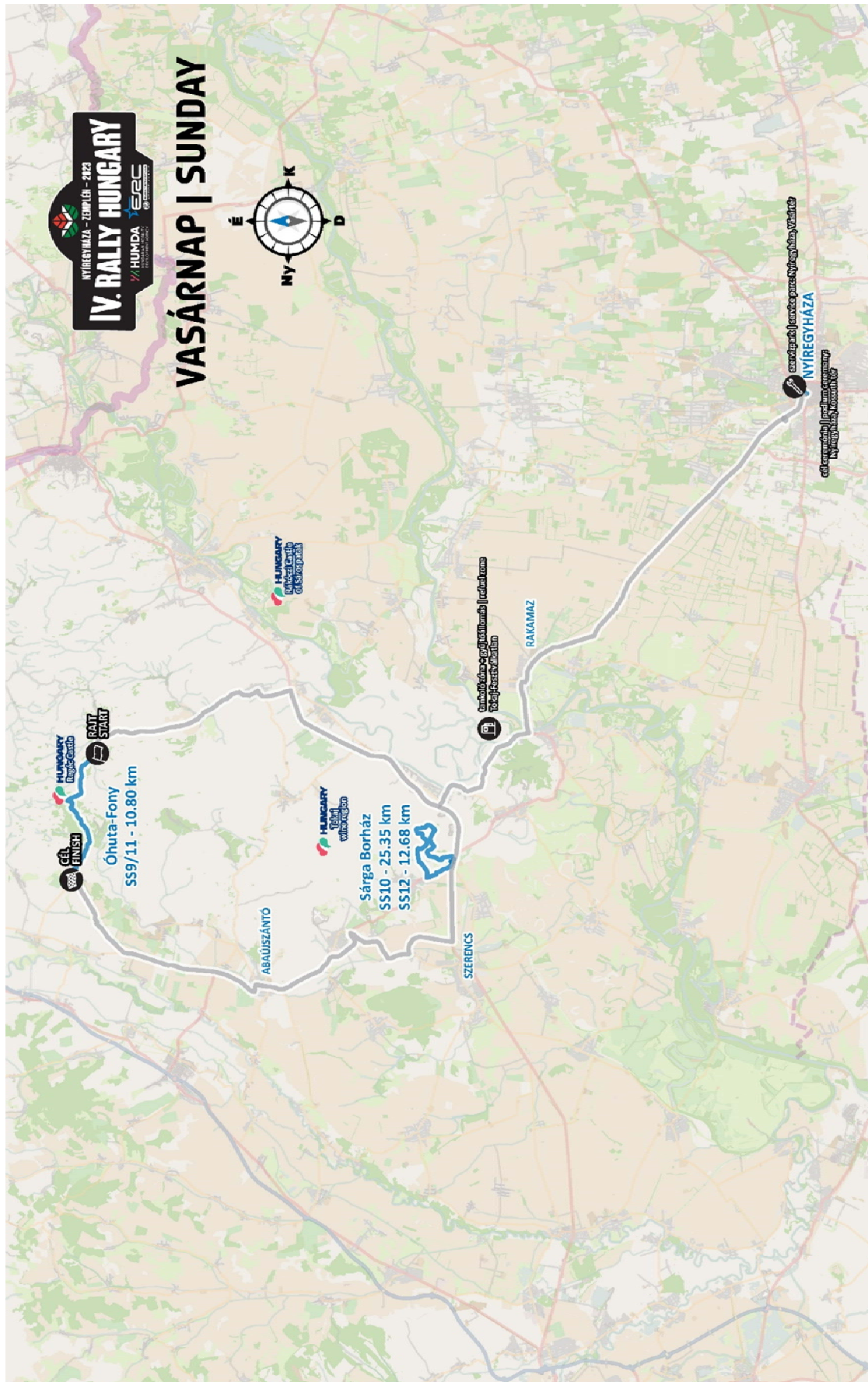


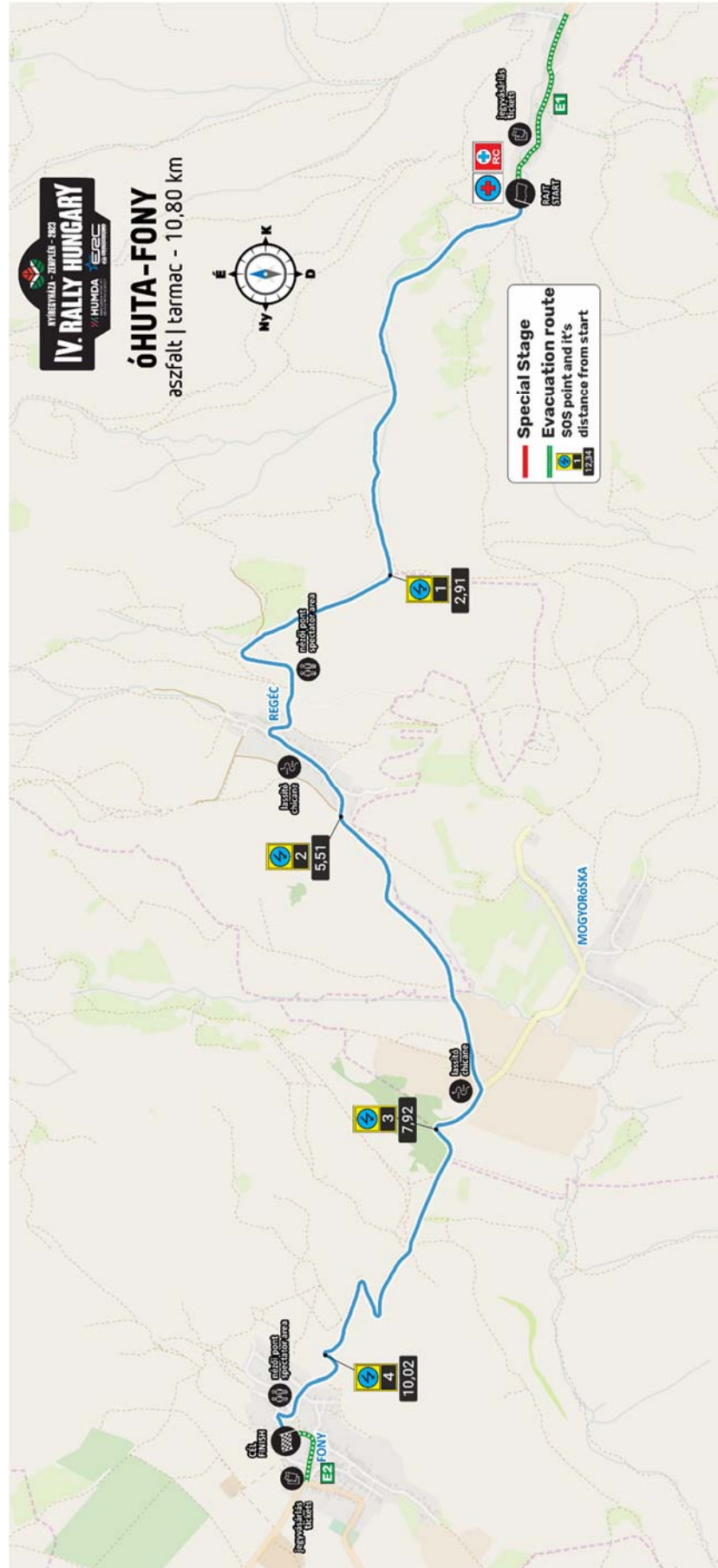














QUALIFYING STAGE

Nyíregyháza- lőtér



TC / IE

N47 55.555
E21 41.359



START

N47 55.466
E21 41.363



FINISH / CÉL

N47 54.110
E21 41.565



STOP

N47 53.871
E21 41.575



SS 2 / 6 – Újhuta- Nyíri



TC / IE

N48 23.456
E21 27.113



START

N48 23.502
E21 27.087



FINISH / CÉL

N48 29.864
E21 26.716



STOP

N48 29.969
E21 26.558



SS 3 / 7 - Füzér- Abaújszárlati elágazás



TC / IE

N48 30.896
E21 27.485



START

N48 30.971
E21 27.501



FINISH / CÉL

N48 30.678
E21 19.533



STOP

N48 30.335
E21 19.655



SS 4 / 8 – Aranyosivölgy



TC / IE

**N48 17.802
E21 14.371**



START

**N48 17.782
E21 14.445**



FINISH / CÉL

**N48 16.255
E21 20.783**



STOP

**N48 16.116
E21 20.888**



SS 5 – Nyíregyháza City Stage



TC / IE

**N47 57.296
E21 43.350**



START

**N47 57.244
E21 43.319**



**FINISH /
CÉL**

**N47 57.223
E21 43.403**



STOP

**N47 57.193
E21 43.576**



SS 9/11 - Óhuta- Fony



TC / IE

N48 22.792
E21 23.537



START

N48 22.788
E21 23.433



FINISH / CÉL

N48 23.575
E21 17.253



STOP

N48 23.487
E21 17.067



SS 10/12 –Sárga borház



TC / IE

N48 09.974
E21 17.873



START

N48 10.014
E21 17.860



FINISH / CÉL

N48 09.978
E21 17.965



STOP

N48 09.941
E21 18.006



Treasures of **TOKAJ AND NYÍREGYHÁZA**



General Facts about Hungary

Geography

Size: 93 036 km²

Capital and largest city: Budapest

Borders: Austria, Slovakia, Ukraine, Romania, Serbia, Croatia and Slovenia

Time zone: GMT+1

Climate

The climate is characterized as temperate, with cold, humid winters and warm summers. Three climatic zones: continental, oceanic and Mediterranean climates affect the country's conditions. Hungary is Greenwich Mean Time plus one hour. Hungary has a continental climate, with hot summers with low overall humidity levels but frequent showers and frigid to cold snowy winters.

Population

Size: 9 769 526 (2020)

Language: Hungarian

State

Form of state: Parliamentary Republic, member of EU

Head of state: President Katalin Novak (2021)

Other

Currency: Hungarian Florin

Notes: 500, 1000, 2000, 5000, 10.000, 20.000

Coins: 5, 10, 20, 50, 100, 200

Exchange rates: For current rates please check at the National Bank of Hungary website:

<https://www.mnb.hu>

Health: No vaccination required.

Power: 230 volts AC, 50 Hz, the plugs are of standard European type.

Country code: +36. The international prefix when you call from Hungary is 00.

Traffic:

Safety belts compulsory in front and back seats.

Speaking by mobile phone forbidden while driving (except by hand-free equipment).

Strict drink and drive policy – zero tolerance on alcohol consumption!

Speed limits: urban – 50 km/h, rural highways – 90 km/h, rural expressways 110 km/h
motorway – 130 km/h

The Zemplén Region

The Zemplén region is situated in north-eastern Hungary and forms a part of Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén County, which is the second largest in the country. It shares borders with Slovakia and Ukraine as well.

The main economic sectors in Borsod-Abaúj-Zemplén County are agriculture, forestry, tourism, water management and services.

The county is rich in cultural and natural heritage. The caves of Aggtelek Karst and the Tokaj wine region are on the UNESCO World Heritage List.

Tokaj-Hegyalja – UNESCO World Heritage

Tokaj is a unique example of unparalleled natural gifts, the cooperation of grapes and man. The wine made here is often called the wine of kings, as it was referred to by King Louis XV. In 1502, they mention the oldest known vineyard – Hétszőlő – by name. The next turning point in the life of the wine region would be in the 16th century, because at the time, they were already producing the famous Aszú wines that time. The first written reference to the Tokaji Aszú wine came soon after, in 1571. Even Hungary's National Anthem refers to the Aszú of Tokaj.

The Tarn of Megyer-hegy

The tarn of Megyer-hegy is located just a few kilometres from Sárospatak, formed in the excavation pit of an abandoned millstone quarry. The deepest point of the lake is 6.5 metres, while the cliff walls loom 70 metres above the surface of the water. An educational trail leads to the top of the cliff walls, offering a vantage point from which you can admire the lake.

Zemplén Adventure Park

Head towards the Zemplén Adventure Park on Magas Hill above Sátoraljaújhely and test your mettle on Hungary's longest bobsled course or slide down on the zip line that traverses chasms over 100 metres deep!

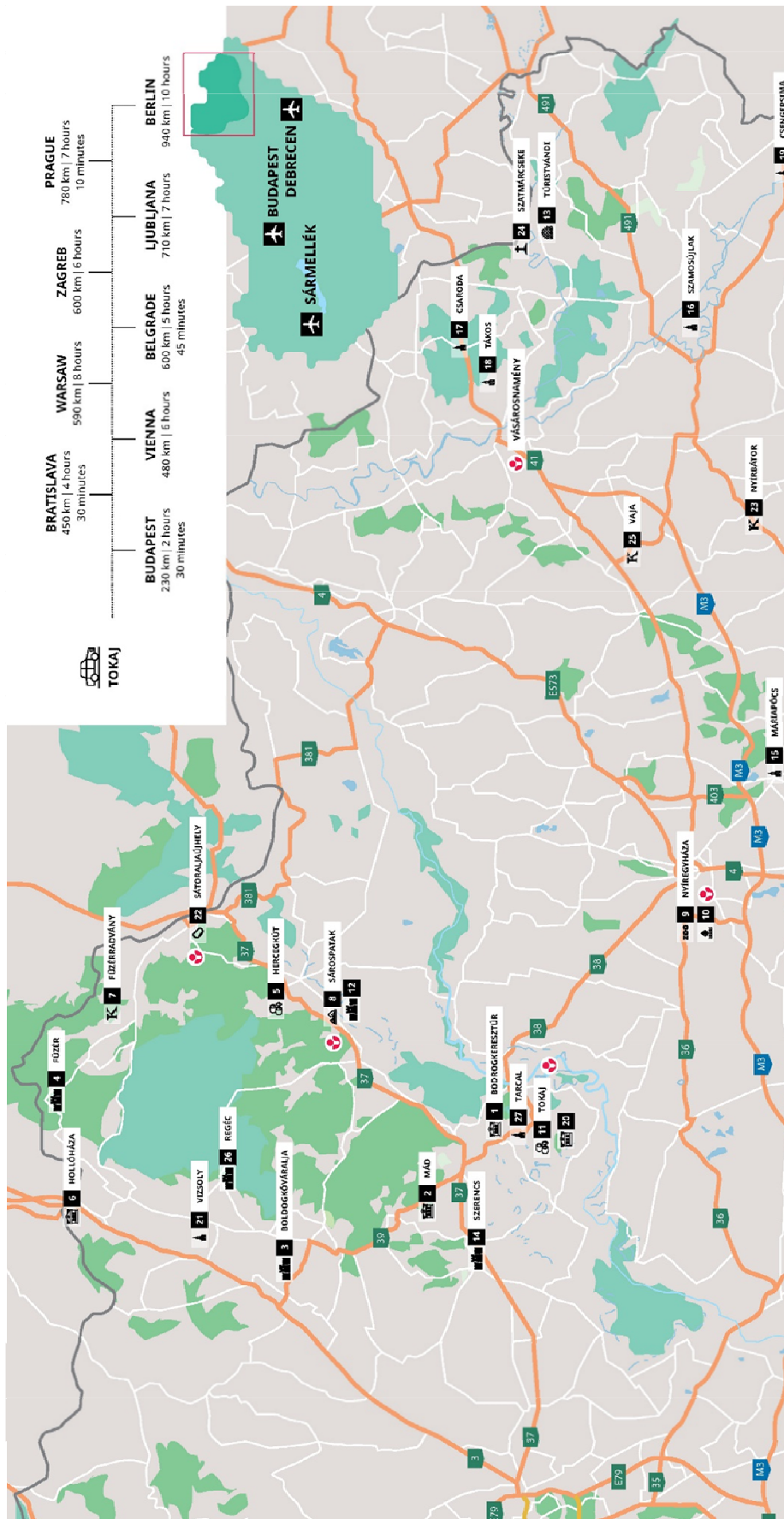
Home of many castles

This region of the country is rich in beautiful and romantic castles, such as Boldogkőváralja, Regéc and Füzér, just to mention the most famous ones.

Caves of Aggtelek

The region is home to another UNESCO World Heritage venue, the Caves of Aggtelek Karst. It is outstanding for the large number of complex, diverse and relatively intact caves concentrated into a relatively small area. Located at the north-eastern border of Hungary and the south-eastern border of Slovakia, this exceptional group of 712 caves, recorded at time of inscription, lies under a protected area of 56,651 ha and a larger buffer zone. Today more than 1000 caves are known.

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| 1. Acetária Vinegar Museum, Bodrogkeresztúr | 8. Megyer Hill Tarn, Sárospatak | 15. Máriapócs Pilgrimage Church | 22. Zemplén Adventure Park, Sátoraljaújhely |
| 2. Synagogue, Mád | 9. Zoo, Nyíregyháza | 16. Reformed Church of Szamosújlak | 23. Báthori Castle and Wax Museum, Nyírbátor |
| 3. Boldogkő Castle, Boldogkőváralja | 10. Aquarius Spa and Wellness Centre, Nyíregyháza | 17. Reformed Church of Csaroda | 24. Listed heritage cemetery in Szatmárcseke |
| 4. Flúzér Castle | 11. Rákóczi Cellar, Tokaj | 18. Reformed Church of Tákos | 25. Vay Castle, Vaja |
| 5. Gombos Hill Wine Cellar System, Herceghút | 12. Rákóczi Castle, Sárospatak | 19. Reformed Church of Csengersima | 26. Regéc Castle |
| 6. Hollóháza Porcelain Museum | 13. Túrlevél Watermill | 20. World Heritage Wine Museum, Tokaj | 27. Blessing Christ Statue, Tárca |
| 7. Károlyi Castle, Füzesrádvány | 14. Rákóczi Castle, Szerencs | 21. Vizsoly Bible Visitor Centre | Tourinform Office |



NOBLE CASTLES, MAJESTIC ENVIRONMENT

The peaks of the Zemplén Hills are dotted with centuries-old castles ruins. These majestic sites have all witnessed some of the most important events in the history of Hungary. Exhibitions help you relive the buzzing atmosphere of the Rákóczi War of Independence or the Age of Romance, while you admire the beautiful view.

FIVE CASTLES THAT YOU SHOULD VISIT

REGÉC CASTLE

Visit Regéc Castle, where Prince Francis II Rákóczi spent the first years of his childhood. If you climb up the shaded hilltop and look around, you'll see an amazing panorama at your feet. Enter the recently renovated castle to visit several exhibitions, the souvenir shop and the canteen.

BOLDGÓKÓ CASTLE

Boldgókó Castle was built on a cliff-top of the Zemplén Hills after the invasion of the Tatars. Standing in the lookout tower of the south wing, you'll have a beautiful view of the surrounding villages and land. Then go and take a stroll around the castle to visit the exhibitions in the dwelling tower and the palace.

RÁKÓCZI CASTLE

Rákóczi Castle in Sárospatak is located on the bank of the River Bodrog. Although the foundations date back to a thousand years, the golden age of the castle was in the 17th century, when it became the centre of the Rákóczi War of Independence. The memories of a turbulent history are counterbalanced by the calmness of nature that calls you to take a pleasant walk.

SZERENCs CASTLE

Szerencs Castle will be a particular favourite of those who are into the Renaissance era. It is located in the middle of a huge park with ponds, willow trees and bridges. The building - which has managed to conserve its princely splendour - is home to the Zemplén Museum. While in the region, you should also visit the local confectionery factory which produces premium-quality sweets.

FÜZÉR CASTLE

Füzér Castle stands on Castle Hill, one of the seven wonders of Hungary. Built on a steep volcanic cone, it is one of the most spectacular fortresses and one of the oldest buildings in Hungary. One of the most special sights of the castle bearing the signs of both the Renaissance and Romantic eras is the chapel with colourful mosaic glasses.

WALK UNDER THE CANOPY OF HORNBEAMS

The most charming attraction of the Renaissance Revival and Romanticist-style Károlyi Castle in Füzerádvány is the 140 hectare landscape garden. Take a walk under the canopy of 250-300-year-old oak and hornbeam trees along a quiet stream, and you will feel time slow down as you drift to the island of tranquility.

Tokaj-Hegyalja historic wine region

In addition to the tradition of viticulture and oenology that is unique in the whole world, the region was selected to become part of world heritage for it has managed to retain its unity over the centuries. The first written records that mentions the vines in Tokaj-Hegyalja dates back to 1251, and certainly the grapevines covering the hills have become an essential part of the region.

The prominent wineries of the region organise many programmes around the topic of wine culture, such as panoramic walks, but there is also a dedicated wine bus service that takes visitors to special wine-tasting events or wine dinners.



However, even if you are not a wine-lover, you will have plenty to do in this region: you can visit the vineyards on foot, by bike, on tour wheels and even with Segways.

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WINE TYPES MADE FOR TASTING

TOKAJI ASZÚ

When you say Tokaj, the first thing that comes to people's mind is Aszú. The most famous wine of the region is made from botrytised (noble rot) grapes, and though for a long time it was considered a dessert wine, today it can serve as an exciting addition to several dishes. According to records, the court minister to Szászanna Lorántffy made the very first bottle in the 16th century to present it to the lady as a gift for Easter.

TOKAJI SZAMORODNI

The name of the wine comes from the Polish phrase "as grown", which gives a perfect description of the wine type, for both healthy and botrytised grapes are used during pressing. Szamorodni is a wine that is only made in this region, and younger vintages go well with yellow-fleshed fruit, desserts and liver, while the older vintages are excellent with Gómolya cheese. When you try the dry and sweet Szamorodni, be prepared to be taken to two different worlds of flavours.

SÁRGAMUSKOTÁLY

This lush, fragrant, aromatic grape variety was a favourite among Romans in the form of both fruit and wine. The Romans were the ones who introduced it to Europe, including Hungary. It is the noblest type of the Muscats, and is the third most often grown variety in the region, an excellent pairing with smoky dishes.

DRY FURMINT

One of the most popular grape varieties in Tokaj-Hegyalja is Furmint, one that is also used to make Aszú wine. The Furmint has a unique richness of flavours and bears some characteristics of minerals. It pairs ideally with cheese, in particular goat or alpine cow cheese. However, people in the region only started to produce dry Furmint in the 2000s, but since then it has become widely known and respected for its premium quality all over the world.

HÁRSLEVELŐ

Hárslevelő is a truly Hungarian grape variety. The grapes ripen in October, and the resulting wine is similar to that of the Furmint, but has a much softer composition. It tastes like nectar and evokes light summer nights, so no matter which season you drink it in, it will create a cool relaxing atmosphere. No matter which version you choose, dry or late harvest or pure Aszú, the queen of Tokaj grapes will chant you.

Sights in the region

DRIPSTONE CAVE OF AGGTELEK

One of the largest and most beautiful drip-stone caves of Europe – which is also on the list of UNESCO World Heritage sites – is 22 kilometres long and is full of formations of ethereal beauty. The most interesting parts of the cave include the Giants' Hall and the Concert Hall designed for concerts. The largest stalagmite is called the Observatory, stands 25 metres high and weighs almost 911 tons.

ANDRÁSSY CASTLE IN TISZADOB

One of the most romantic castles in Hungary, it is perhaps the most beautiful building of the Beaux-Arts architecture in the country. All visitors are enchanted by the splendid rooms of the fairy-tale castle as well as the intricate boxwood labyrinth, where you can get lost and have lengthy debates and discussions, just as the members of the former aristocracy did.

KÖLCSEY-KENDE CASTLE IN CÉGENYDANYÁD

The Classicist building – today located within the premises of a nature conservation area – is open to visitors from spring to autumn.

The facade looking towards the landscape garden is decorated with lines from a poem by the most famous member of the ancient family and the author of the National Anthem of Hungary, Ferenc Kölcsey.

CASTLE ISLAND OF EDELENY

As far as dimensions are concerned, the L'Huillier-Coburg Castle is the seventh largest castle in Hungary and is an outstanding example of early Baroque architecture. If you walk around the listed heritage building, you will discover some rococo-style wall paintings, and also enjoy the grandeur and elegance of the building.

PLACES OF INTEREST BEYOND THE BORDERS

When planning your journey to the region, make sure to include the Rákóczi Castle in Bors or the Gothic Saint Elisabeth Cathedral in Kosice in your schedule. If you would like to pop over to the Ukraine, make sure you visit the towns of Mukachevo and Uzhhorod as well.



Andrassy Castle in Tiszadob

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