

Qatar INTERNATIONAL RALLY
24 to 26 January 2008

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SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

FIA Middle East Rally Championship 2008
FIRST ROUND

Organised By
Qatar Motor & Motorcycle Federation

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Introduction

The rally will be run in compliance with the International Sporting Code (and its appendices), the General Prescriptions applicable to all FIA Rally Championships, the regulations for the Middle East Rally Championship (FIA MERC), the national sporting regulations that comply with the FIA regulations and these Supplementary Regulations (SR).

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).

Programme

– Opening date for entries

THURSDAY 15.Nov. (10.00)	2008	-	Entries open at reduced fees.
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– Closing date for entries

THURSDAY, 3 rd Jan(18.00)	2008	-	Entries close at reduces fees.
THURSDAY, 10 th Jan(18.00)	2008	-	Entries close. Announcement of the final entry list.

– Dates and times of issuing of the road books

Monday 21 st Jan. (18.00)	2008	-	QMMF Office, Salwa Rd DOHA
Tuesday 22 nd Jan (18.00)	2008	-	Issue of Road Book for Leg 1.
		-	Issue of Road Book for Leg2.

– Dates and times Reconnaissance

Tuesday 22 nd Jan 08.00-17.30)	2008	-	Reconnaissance allowed for Leg 1.
Wednesday 23 rd Jan (08.00-17.30)	2008	-	Reconnaissance allowed for Leg 2.

– Closing date for co-driver details

Details concerning the Co-driver should be lodged prior to 20:00 hrs.Tuesday 22nd Jan February 2008 .

– Collection of material and documents

All documents and material will be distributed during the Administrative Check.

- Place and time for Administrative Check.

Wednesday 23 rd Jan (16.00 – 20.00)	2008	-	Rally Office, Losail International Circuit Documentation, Administrative checks, issue of number panels.
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– Scrutineering – marking and sealing.

Thursday 24 th Jan. (09.00 – 13.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Scrutineering, marking and sealing accordingly to timetable issued at Documentation.
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– First Stewards' meeting

Thursday 24 th Jan. (16.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit First Stewards meeting.
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– Pre-event press conference

Thursday 24 th Jan. (14.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Pre-Rally Press conference.
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– Publication of start lists for various legs

Thursday 24 th Jan. (17..00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Publication of the start list for Leg 1,
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Friday 25 th Jan. (20.00)	2008	-	Publication of start list for leg 2

– Start of the Rally

Friday 25 th Jan. 8.30)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Official start Leg 1, Section 1.
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– Prize-giving

Saturday 26 th Jan. (16.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Finish of the rally & prize giving on the ramp
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– Date and time for the End-of-Rally press conference

Saturday 26 th Jan. (17.30)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Post-Rally Press conference
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– Final scrutineering

Saturday 26 th Jan FEB. (16.30)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Final Scrutineering.
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– Publication of provisional final classification

Saturday 26 th Jan. (19.30)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit Publication of Provisional final classification
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– Rally Office

Wednesday 23 rd Jan (10.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit/ prior to this rally officials can be contacted at QMMF offices 10.00- 13.00 & 16.00 - 18.00 hrs. Daily.
Sunday 27 th Jan. (10.00)	2008	-	Rally Office closes.

– Media Centre and media accreditation

Wednesday 23 rd Jan (10.00)	2008	-	Losail International Circuit 10.00- 13.00 & 16.00 - 18.00 hrs. daily.
Saturday 26 th Jan.	2008	-	Media Centre closes at the end of Rally.

1. Description

1.1 Place and date of the event

Qatar International Rally 2008 will be held on 24 – 26 January, 2008.

1.2 FIA titles for which the rally counts

2008 The FIA Middle-East Rally Championship for Drivers

2008 The FIA Middle-East Rally Championship for Co-drivers

2008 Middle-East Cup for Group N

1.3 Visa numbers – FIA VISA NO

1MERC/230107

ASN – VISA NO

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1.4 Location of Rally HQ

Losail International Circuit

1.5 Location of Start and Finish

Losail International Circuit

1.6 Location of Parc Fermé for each leg

Losail International Circuit

1.7 Location of Service Park(s)

Losail International Circuit

1.8 Location of Media Room

Losail International Circuit

1.9 Road surface

The surface of all special stages is loose gravel.

2. Organisation

2.1 Organiser's name

National Sporting Committee

2.2 Address and contact details

Qatar Motor & Motorcycle Federation

2.3 Organisation committee

CHAIRMAN

Nasser Khalifa Al Attiyah, President of the QMMF

MEMBERS

Nasser Obaid Al-Attiyah

Mohammad Saad Al-Muraiki

Mohammed Naeem

Elie Semaan

Mawia Zeyada

Marielou Cruz

Dr. Tristan Evely

Abelardo Barles

Kamal Kopti

Clive Jacobsen

Zia Ur Rehman
Akram Khan
Ahsan Khan
Mamdouh Ashour
Abdul Wahid
Shihab Moursi Walid Juneidi

2.4 Stewards of the meeting

Chairman of the Stewards(FIA)	Derek Ledger
Steward (FIA)	Jacque Salha
ASN Steward	Mohammed Al Muraiki

2.5 FIA observers and delegates

FIA Observer	Jan Sandstorm
FIA Technical Delegate	George Papadakis

2.6 Senior officials

Rally Director	:	Mohammed Naeem
Clerk of the Course	:	Elie Semaan
Chief Marshal	:	Ernesto Santos
Asst. Chief Marshal	:	TBA
Service Parks Manager	:	Clive Jacobsen
Chief Scrutineer	:	Clive Jacobsen
Scrutineer Assistant	:	Gary Mckenzie
Competitors Relations Officer	:	Mohammed Basti
Media & Press Officer	:	Majdi Zahran
Safety Officer	:	Abelardo Barles
Medical Officer	:	Tristan Evely
Results Officer	:	Peter Silberberg
Results Coordinator	:	Riz Khan
Route Verification (0) Car	:	TBA
Route Verification (00) Car	:	Abdul Wahid Al Haye
Route Sweeper	:	TBA
Secretary of the Stewards	:	Marielou Cruz
Equipment Officer	:	Zia Ur Rehman
Secretary to the Rally	:	Famela Ann Barles
Stage Commanders	:	Mamdouh Ashour
	:	Akram Khan
	:	Ahsan Khan
	:	Zia Ur Rehman

2.7 The Location of the official notice board is located in Losail International Circuit (Public Area).

3. Entries

3.1 Opening and closing dates

THURSDAY, 15th Nov	200		
(10.00)	8	-	Entries open at reduced fees.
THURSDAY, 3rd Jan	200		
(18.00)	8	-	Entries close at reduced fees.
THURSDAY, 10th Jan	200		
(18.00)	8	-	Entries close. Announcement of the final entry list.

3.2 Entry procedure

Those wishing to take part in the **2008 QATAR INTERNATIONAL RALLY** must send the official entry form, duly completed and signed to the rally secretariat on the following address:

Details concerning the Co-driver should be lodged prior to 20:00 hrs. Tuesday, 22nd Jan 2008. If the Entry is sent by facsimile, the original entry form must reach the organisers, at the latest, one week after the close of entries, duly signed by entrant, driver and co-driver, **accompanied by the entry fees**. Driver and co-driver must hold authority from their National Sporting Authority to take part in the Qatar International Rally either by specific written authority from their ASN authority stated on the International competition licences or obtain its stamp on the entry form. Any person or legal entity holding FIA International Competitors' licence valid for the current year is eligible. Where the competitor is a legal entity, or in any case not part of the crew, the first driver named on the entry form will be held solely responsible for all the liabilities and obligations of the competitor, throughout the driving time. The driver assumes the competitor's responsibility when the latter is not on board the vehicle. Any incorrect, fraudulent or unsporting action carried out by the Competitor or members of the crew will be judged by the Stewards of the Meeting who will impose penalties which may go as far as exclusion.

3.3 Number of entrants accepted and classes

The maximum number of entries is 60. Attention is drawn to article 74 of the International Sporting Code relating to the Organiser's rights to refuse an entry.

Cars are split into the following cubic capacity classes:

Production Cars Group "N"

Class N1	- up to and including 1400 cc.
Class N2	- over 1400 cc up to and including 1600 cc.
Class N3	- over 1600 cc up to and including 2000 cc
Class N4	- over 2000 cc.

Touring cars group A

Cars are split in the following cubic capacity classes

Class A5	up to and including 1400cc
Class A6	over 1400 cc up to including 1600 cc
Class A7	over 1600 cc up to including 2000 cc

Super 1600 cars and kit cars

Super 2000 cars

Supercharged diesel powered cars, 2-wheel driver, up to 2000 cc

3.3.1. Permitted modifications:

3.3.1.1 **Underbody protection** is permitted.

3.3.1.2 **Lighting**
Additional forward facing headlamps may be fitted in accordance with Appendix J of the International Sporting Code.

3.3.1.3 **Mud flaps**
Mud-dust flaps, which conform to Article 252, 7.7 Appendix J, may be fitted.

3.3.1.4 **2-Way Radios**
2-Way radios are permitted to operate only on government controlled and designated frequencies.

3.3.1.5 **Windows**
The use of silvered or tinted film complying with Article 253, 11 of Appendix J is authorised on the side and rear windows.

3.4 Entry fees

The entry fees include, one set of Road Books, 2 Service Books,
2 Service Vehicle registration plates and one Auxiliary plate for each entry.

With the optional advertising proposed by the organisers:	PRIVATE	OTHERS
Entered before 18:00 hrs. on Thursday 3 rd Jan 2008	QR 2000/-.	QR4000/-.
Entered before 18:00 hrs. on Thursday 10 th Jan 2008	QR 3000/-.	QR6000/-.

Without the optional advertising proposed by the organisers:		
Entered before 18:00 hrs. on Thursday 3 rd Jan 2008	QR 4000/-.	QR 8000/-.
Entered before 18:00 hrs. on Thursday 10 th Jan 2008	QR 6000/-.	QR 12000/-.

3.5 Payment

The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the **full entry fees, which is not refundable**, or by a receipt issued by the Competitors National Sporting Authority. Any entry form not fully completed or which is not covered by full payment of the fees will be refused.

Bank Details : QATAR MOTOR & MOTORCYCLE FEDERATION
Qatar International Islamic Bank
A/C # 1111007707 – 001
Main Branch, Doha Qatar
Swift Code : QIIBQAQA

N.B If any entry application submitted and signed by the competitor country ASN , the entry will remain subject to payment even if it is cancelled by either of the above parties .

3.6 Refunds

Entry fees will be refunded in full:

- To candidates whose entry has not been accepted.
- In the case of the rally not taking place.

The organizers may refund 50% of the entry fees to those entrants who, for reasons of force majeure (duly certified as such by their ASN), were unable to start the rally.

4. Insurance

- 4.1 Competitors and crewmembers are covered for Public Liability under an insurance policy for a maximum amount of QR100,000/- for the entire event (including scrutineering) until the finish of the event or prior retirement.
- 4.2 In addition to the insurance cover provided by the organiser, all competitors are required to provide their own insurance covering all cars used in Qatar to cover civil liability towards 3rd parties for the entire duration of their visit in the case of foreign crews, or permanent cover in the case of Qatari residents.
- 4.3 A written copy of such insurance cover must be presented to the organiser, alternatively a declaration of indemnity accepting full financial and legal responsibility must be provided.

5. Advertising

- 5.1 Advertising is permitted on the car, including the roof. Advertising on windows is prohibited with the exception of a maximum 10 cm high strip is allowed on the windscreen as well.
- 5.2 Advertising of alcoholic products or any advertising that is prohibited by law or which may cause offence is not permitted.
- 5.3. Competitors who accept the organisers optional advertising must reserve on each side of the car 2 (A4) size spaces as indicated in the diagram, displayed under **Appendix III**, details of which will be announced in a bulletin:

6. Identification Numbers

- 6.1. The Organisers will provide each crew with the following, which must be affixed, to their car in the stated manner:
 - 6.1.1 1 set of rally plates, comprising:
 - 6.1.1.1 for the front: one plate fitting into a rectangle 43 cm wide x 21.5 cm high
 - 6.1.1.2 for the rear: a transparent sticker fitting into a rectangle 28 cm wide by 15 cm high. On these plates, a space 15 cm wide by 8 cm high will be reserved for the competition number.
 - 6.1.2 one set of two rectangular front door panels, 50 cm wide x 52 cm high.
 - 6.1.3 one rectangular panel of the same dimensions (50 x 52) placed on the roof with the top towards the front of the car.
 - 6.1.4 the competition numbers (5 cm wide and 28 cm high) must appear on these panels in black on a white background 50 cm wide x 38 cm high.
 - 6.1.5. For each missing plate a fine QR 1000/- must be paid to organizers.

7. Tyres

- 7.1 For all competitors, tyre change is permitted only in type I or type II service parks.
- 7.2. Tyre marking will take place immediately after the refuelling zone at the exit of each Service Park. The appropriate FIA signs will identify the tyre-marking zone. Checking of tyre marks will take place at the arrival TC at each Service Park and according to art. 2.6 of FIA 2008 Middle East Rally Championship Regulation.

8. Fuel and Refuelling

8.1 Distribution during the rally

- 8.1.1 Competitors may only refuel in the refuel zones designated by the organiser in the road book except as detailed in (8.1.9 and 8.1.10).
- 8.1.2 These refuel zones will be established immediately after the exit from service parks. Their entry/exit shall be marked by a blue fuel pump symbol.
- 8.1.3 Any action inside a refuelling zone not directly involved in the refuelling of the competing car is prohibited.
- 8.1.4 In the refuelling zone, a 5-kph speed limit will apply.
- 8.1.5 it is recommended that mechanics wear fire-resistant clothing.
- 8.1.6. The responsibility for refuelling rests entirely with the crew and team members of the competing car.
- 8.1.7 Engines must be switched off throughout the refuelling operation.
- 8.1.8 It is recommended that the crew remain outside the car during refuelling; however, should they remain inside, the safety belts must be unfastened at their own risk.
- 8.1.9 When necessary as part of service (i.e. changing a fuel tank or pump) emptying and /or Refilling is permitted in a service park provided that:
 - Work is carried out under supervision of a marshal.
 - No other work is carried out on the car during emptying and/or refilling operation.
 - A suitable safety perimeter is established around the car.
 - Two fire marshals or team personnel are present with fire extinguishers suitable for use on flammable liquids.
 - Only sufficient fuel is added to reach the next refuel zone.
- 8.1.10 The organisers may make provision for additional points for refuelling. These additional points for refuelling shall only be set up along the route, in service stations. In these areas any kind of servicing is prohibited - except for refuelling the car.
- 8.1.11 The use of **AVGAS** is permitted, competitors must notify the organisers of their requirement at the latest one month before the start of the Rally.
- 8.1.12 In the event of a breakdown, the car concerned must be pushed out of the zone without incurring a penalty. An external battery may be used immediately after the exit of the zone.

9.0 Administrative Check

9.1 Location

Losail International Circuit

9.2 Times / schedule

Wednesday 23rd Jan. 2008
(16.00 – 20.00)

Documentation, Administrative checks, issue of number panels.

9.3 Documents to be presented

- Drivers' competition and driving licences
- Competitor/entrant licence
- Drivers' medical certificates of aptitude
- Authorisation for the drivers by their ASN to take part in the rally
- rally car's insurance cover towards the third parties (Green Card)
- rally car's registration papers
- Correctness of all information given in the entry form

10. Reconnaissance

Reconnaissance over the rally route outside the stated times for the respective Leg will entail the start being refused.

Leg 1, Tuesday 22nd Jan 2008 (08.00 – 17.30)

Leg 2, Wednesday 23rd Jan 2008 (08.00 – 17.30)

10.1.1 The reconnaissance time table, reconnaissance time cards and the fitting of GPS monitoring equipment will be available at the QMMF Office from Monday, 21st Jan 2008, 18.00 – 20.00

10.1.2 When registering for the reconnaissance one of the crewmembers must be present to sign an indemnity, register the details of the reconnaissance car, mobile telephone numbers and contact details of the place of residence.

10.1.3 Reconnaissance car identification numbers must be attached to the front windscreen (top centre) and on the right and left rear side windows. They must be kept visible for the duration of the reconnaissance period.

10.1.4 Crews are authorized to drive a maximum of 2 (two) times through each Special stage during the Reconnaissance period in accordance with the timetable shown in the Rally Guide. When a Special Stage is used more than once in the same configuration only a total of 2 passes will be permitted.

10.2 Schedule.

Reconnaissance will take place according to the following schedule:

Leg 1, Tuesday 22 Jan 2008

Leg 2, Wednesday 23rd Jan 2008

Individual SS times will be shown in Rally Guide.

10.3 Specific regulations

10.3.1 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 Qatar must be strictly complied with and the safety of other road users must be respected.

10.3.2 Crews are not allowed to drive in the opposite direction of the rally route on special stages.

10.3.3 Crews are required to present their Reconnaissance time card at the Start and Finish of all Special Stages. Cars will only be permitted to enter and leave the special stages through the Start and Finish controls.

10.3.4 The presence of any entrant and/or crewmember entered in the Rally on any part of a Special Stage, in any way whatsoever, is considered as Reconnaissance. Reconnaissance outside the schedule set by the Organisers is considered as a very serious offence and will be reported to the Stewards, who may apply penalties at their discretion.

10.3.5 Reconnaissance will start on Tuesday, 22nd Jan 2008 at 08.00 and will finish on Wednesday, 23rd Jan 2008 at 17.30. This regulation applies to all crews. If, outside the scheduled times, any crew and/or competitor is found on any part of any Special Stage to be used in the Rally, he or she will be reported to the Stewards. If this involved a Qatari licensed driver, he or she will be subject to national suspension. In the case of a foreign licensed crew/competitor, he or she will be reported to the respective ASN, which will take appropriate action.

10.3.6 All Reconnaissance for all crews will only be carried out using series production cars of two or four wheel drive. Reconnaissance cars must be covered by insurance as required by the laws of Qatar. No responsibility being imputable to the Organisers.

10.3.7 The maximum speed limit of 60 km/h is imposed on all special stages during Reconnaissance unless the Organisers introduce a lower speed limit. The speed limit for the Special Spectator Stage will be 40 km/h. Speed will be monitored by GPS tracking devices carried by all reconnaissance cars.

10.3.8 Any infringement of the reconnaissance regulations will be reported to the Stewards who may impose penalties under article 152 of the FIA International Sporting Code. Furthermore, the Stewards may report the Competitors concerned to the FIA for possible further sanctions.

10.4 Registration, Fitment of tracking and speed control devices.

10.4.1 Registration for Reconnaissance will take place as stated in the Rally Guide. At that time reconnaissance number plates, time cards and time schedules will be issued.

10.4.2 A system of monitoring the speed, routing and position of reconnaissance cars during reconnaissance of all special stages by means of GPS tracking devices will be used. Details and times for the fitting of these tracking units will be contained in the Rally Guide and in an information Bulletin.

Article 11, Tracking, data logging and emergency signalling

For all rallies in the championship live satellite or GSM tracking, data recording and emergency signalling devices will be used to monitor the position, movement and status of all competing cars at all times during the rally.

Article 11.1 Tracking devices

Competing cars will be fitted with data logging and tracking devices that will give an accurate trace of the position, movement and status of all competing cars during special stages and liaison sections of the rally. On Special Stages there will be a maximum tolerance of 5 (five) metres from the centre line of the route as determined by the organisers.

A trace of the movement of all competing cars will be superimposed on the centre line of the Special Stage route and any deviation from this may be subject to a penalty of 10 (ten) minutes which may be imposed by the Stewards upon

12. Scrutineering, Sealing and Marking

12.1 Location

Losail International Circuit

12.2 Times / schedule

Thursday 24th Jan	2008	-	Scrutineering, marking and sealing according to
(09.00-13.00)			Timetable issued at Documentation.

12.3 National regulations

Conforming to FIA Regulations.

13. Shakedown

There will be no shakedown in the rally.

14. Start of the Rally

14.1 Publication times of starting lists

Thursday 24th Jan.	2008	-	Official Notice Board.
(17.00)			

		-	Publication of start list for Leg 1
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Friday 25th Jan.	2008	-	Publication of start list for Leg 2.
(20.00)			

14.2 Ceremonial start

There will not be a ceremonial start in the rally.

14.3 Official start Start area / start parc fermé

All competing cars are required to enter the start parc fermé not later than 07.30 Hours on Friday 25th January 2008 A penalty of BD.10 per minute will be imposed for late arrival the crewmembers do not have to be present when the car enters the start parc fermé.

Friday 25th Jan	2008	Losail international Circuit
8.30)	-	Start of Leg 1, Section 1.

14.4 Restart in Leg 2 after retirement in Leg 1 – Super Rally

14.4.1 Any crew that has involuntarily retired in Leg 1 may re-start the rally from the start of Leg 2. However, the crew will be penalized at the rate of 10 minutes for every stage not completed in Leg 1 added to the fastest time set for that stage irrespective of group/class.

14.4.2 Should retirement occur after the last special stage of Leg 1, the crew concerned will Nonetheless be deemed to have missed that last special stage and the penalties stated in Article 14.4.1 will apply. To qualify and to be classified as a finisher all cars including those who benefited from super rally rules, must finish the remainder of the rally including the final Special Stage.

14.4.3 The Stewards shall have the right to position any car that retired on Leg 1, at the start of Leg 2, at their discretion on the grounds of safety.

14.4.4 Any crew that deliberately retires on Leg 1 with the perceived intention of gaining an advantage in order to better its position for Leg 2, will be judged by the Stewards who may not permit the re-start. The Stewards may apply sanctions against the entrant and/or crew concerned in accordance with article 141 of the Code.

14.4.5 If the crew does not wish to re-start, the withdrawal form located in the Road Book must be completed and lodged with the Organizer as soon as possible before the Stewards meeting preceding the re-start.

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14.4.6 Any car wishing to re-start must be serviced only in the rally Service Park. After such a car has retired, the vehicle must remain where it has retired until permission has been received from the clerk of the course to remove it directly to the Service Park.

14.4.7 Servicing of retired cars must respect the conditions of Article 12 of the General Prescriptions.

Any car that has retired may, however, be towed or transported from the point of retirement to the Service Park, but only after permission to do so has been given by the clerk of the course.

14.4.8 The Stewards and/or the clerk of the course may require that the car is re-scrutinized before the start of Leg 2.

14.4.9 The car may be serviced for up to 2 consecutive hours in addition to the 45 minutes service at the end of Leg 1. However, all cars must be returned to the parc fermé before the start of Leg 2 at least 4 hours before the start of that leg.

15. Running of the Rally

15.1 Time card change during the rally

The Time Cards will be issued at the following Time Controls:
TC 1A , 4A, ,8D, 12A,

15.2 Starting system of special stages

15.2.1 Cars will start all road sections and special stages at two (2) minute intervals.

15.2.2. Official Time:

Official time throughout the rally will be the rally office clock, which is calibrated from GPS.

15.2.3. Automatic Starting system is as follows:

- 30 seconds before Start time: RED LIGHT
- 15 seconds before Start time: AMBER LIGHT + RED LIGHT
- 5 seconds before Start time: RED LIGHT OUT –
AMBER LIGHTS
- Start time: COUNT DOWN TO ZERO
GREEN LIGHT ON
- Start time + 20 seconds GREEN LIGHT OFF
- There will be a clock displaying time of day attached to the system
- There will be a beam placed between placed 30 and 50 centimetres after the start line to detect jumped starts.
- The entire system is driven by 1 chronometer.

15.2.4 Identification of officials

THE POST CHIEF AND OTHER MARSHALS WILL BE IDENTIFIED AS FOLLOWS: -

SS-Commander : Orange Tabard
Marshals : Yellow Tabard
Competitors Relations Officer : Blue Tabard

15.3 Early check-in at the end of a leg

The crews may report before their due time at the Finish Time Control of Leg 1 and Leg 2 without incurring a penalty.

15.2.4 Identification of officials

The identification of the chief at each control, which should have a distinctive tabard according to GP Art. 18.3

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15.5. Any crew, which is forced to retire from the rally at any point, must inform the event officials of such action as soon as possible by handing in the retirement form or the time card books at the nearest control point. Any team failing to follow either of these procedures will be subject to the imposition of a fine equivalent to QR.1000.

- 15.6. **Accident Reporting**
If a driver taking part in a rally is involved in an accident in which a member of the public sustains physical injury, the driver concerned must report this to the next radio point as specified in the road book and signposted on the route. If he fails to observe this rule, the Stewards may impose on the crew responsible a penalty that may go as far as exclusion.
The laws of the country in which the event is run must also be complied with in relation to procedures at accidents.
- 15.7. **Judges of Fact**
- 15.7.1. Judges of fact will be located on Special Stages to verify that the competing cars follow the designated route where a shorter alternative may exist. Cars are required to pass between two red Passage Control signs placed on either side of the route, in the correct order and progression as well as in the correct direction as shown in the Road Book. To clarify this the Judge of fact posts will be numbered from No.1 onwards for each SS. Times of passing will be recorded solely for the purpose of verifying that cars pass in the correct sequence. A time penalty of 15 minutes will be imposed for each missed passage control as well as the application of penalties by the steward which may go as far as exclusion for any breach of article 19.3 of the General Prescriptions.

The locations of judges of fact positioned in special stages will not be announced in advance.
A bulletin will be issued before the start of each leg giving the number, but not the position of Judges of fact that will be present in each special stage.
All such judges of fact will be named on the official notice board.
- 15.7.2 Other Judges of Fact patrol all road sections of the rally route to monitor compliance with regulations that prohibit service or the presence of team personnel within 1 km. of the rally cars except where specifically stated and any breach will be subject to exclusion. Such Judges of Fact may be mobile and may move along the rally route. Judges of Fact will be present at designated filling stations where refuelling is permitted to monitor that only fuel is added to rally cars.
- 15.8. **Miscellaneous**
- 15.8.1 Should circumstances so warrant, Schedule Times, Target Times and Maximum Lateness may be modified during the Event with the approval of the stewards.
- 15.8.2 The official language used throughout the Event shall be English in accordance with International practice. In the event of any official documents being written in any language in addition to English, the English version shall be taken as official if there is any difference in the translation.
- 15.8.3 Competitors are responsible for their own hotel accommodation reservations before, during and after the Event and the payment of any costs that may be incurred relating to the same. However, on request, assistance will be given to make the hotel reservation and to obtain the best possible room rates. Due to the busy time of the year, one month notice is required if organisers assistance needed.
- 15.8.4 Competitors are responsible for clearing their own cars and spare parts through customs. Where possible, assistance may be given. However, at least a 14 days notice should be given if any assistance is required.

- 15.8.5. Visas are required by most nationalities to enter Qatar. Competitors requiring assistance in obtaining a visa must give at least a 21 days notice prior to their day of arrival. Assistance cannot be guaranteed if this notice is not received in time.
- 15.8.6. In order to qualify for the assistance package offered by the organizers, foreign private entrants must ensure that the car completes the first section of Leg 1.
Failure to do so will invalidate the offer unless retirement is of a mechanical nature and confirmed as genuine by the FIA Technical Delegate or the Chief Scrutineer.
- 15.8.7. Any entrant who would not continue and is withdrawn from the competition for any reason, hotel entitlement will stop as from the time of retirement.
- 15.8.8. In order to facilitate the documentation, all entrants are requested to fax the following documents listed in the box at least two weeks prior to the event start. All originals of those can be delivered one-week prior to start of the event.

		Documentation	Scrutineering
a.	Car registration documents	*	*
b.	Third party insurance certificate	*	*
c.	Driving-license for each crew member	*	*
d.	FIA International Competitors license for entrant and both drivers	*	
e.	ASN approval of foreign competitors (if the form has not been stamped)	*	
f.	<i>Permission from the owner to use his/her vehicle in the case he/she is not a crewmember.</i>	*	
g.	<i>Homologation forms & appendices for vehicles FIA Group N, A or B (not a photocopy)</i>	*	*
h.	<i>Crash helmets.</i>		*
i.	<i>In accordance with chapter II, article 1.6 of Appendix L, Medical Certificate of aptitude. Accompany all International Licenses.</i>	*	

16. Service Park(s)

16.1 Location(s)

Will be located at Losail International Circuit

16.2 Access times for service vehicles

Not applicable

16.3 Other points

16.3.1 Service Parks will be established in accordance with the following table:

Ty	Time permitted in the park	Number of service parks per leg	Max. SS distance between parks	Tyre change	Remarks
I	20' or 45'	Maximum 4	60 km	Yes	45' only at end of leg 1
II	20'	1	-	Yes	Before 1 st SS on leg 2
III	10'	Unlimited	-	No	-

- 16.3.2 Service parks shall be indicated in the rally itinerary with a Time Control at the entrance and exit. (The 25m.distance referred to in Appendix I shall be reduced to 5m.)

- 16.3.3 The speed of cars in the service parks may not exceed 30 kph; failure to comply with limit shall result in a penalty by the Stewards
- 16.3.4 Vehicles allowed in Service Parks
 - 16.3.4.1 Two vehicles per competing car starting the rally may provide service throughout the rally. These vehicles must be clearly identified by means of “Service “ plates issued by the organiser and affixed in the locations specified. Only one service vehicle plus a team management car per crew is allowed in one Service Park.
 - 16.3.4.2 Other team vehicles must be identified by means of “ Auxiliary“ plates issued by the organiser
 - 16.3.4.3 Where space permits “ Auxiliary ” vehicles may be permitted to park next to their Service vehicles admitted to the parks at the discretion of the organiser.
 - 16.3.4.4 Where there is insufficient space to conform to 16.3.4.3, the organizer shall provide parking areas defined for auxiliary vehicles in the near vicinity of the service park.
 - 16.3.4.5 Where there is insufficient space to conform to 16.3.4.3, the auxiliary vehicles of the team may access the Service Park solely to deposit or remove personal and/or equipment.
- 16.3.5 Servicing
 - 16.3.5.1 Servicing shall be defined as unrestricted work on a competing car except where specifically limited by these regulations.
 - 16.3.5.2 Throughout the rally, servicing of a competing car may only be carried out in service parks. However, the crew, using solely the equipment on board and with no external physical assistance, may perform service on the car at any time, other than where it is specifically prohibited.
 - 16.3.5.3 Any infringement concerning service or any action defined as “ prohibited service ” (see 9.6.2) noted by the rally officials may entail the application of Article 152/153 of the sporting Code by the Stewards. Depending on the gravity of the offence, other sanctions may be applied by the World Motor Sport Council.
- 16.3.6 Definition of prohibited Service
 - 16.3.6.1 The use or receipt by the crew of any materials (solid or liquid), spare parts, tools or equipment other than those carried in the competing car.
 - 16.3.6.2 The parking of service vehicles and the positioning or setting up of any materials, spare parts, tools or equipment on the route except in a service park. The route shall include the verges of the road.
 - 16.3.6.3 Deviation of a rally car from the route of rally.
 - 16.3.6.4 The crew, using solely the equipment on board and with no external physical assistance, may perform service on the car at any time, other than where this is specifically prohibited.
 - 16.3.6.5 Except in service parks or where specifically permitted by means of a Bulletin, on road sections the presence of team personnel or any team conveyance (including helicopters) within one kilometre of a competing car except:

- In special stages (from the time control yellow arrival board to the stop control beige exit board.
- According to GP 12.2.2.d for competing cars waiting at the time control at the entrance to regroups or service parks or parked inside regroups where the passing of food, drink and information (data card, road book, etc) to and from the crew is also permitted.
- Whilst transporting crews (s) to or from a parc fermé.
- Where competing cars following the route as prescribed in the road book are required to use the same roads (s) at the same time as team personnel following the service vehicle route as prescribed in the service book, provided that they do not stop at the same location concurrently.

17. Gravel Cars

Gravel cars are not allowed.

18. Prizes

18.1 Prize-giving

The prize giving ceremony will take place upon arrival of first car at the finish on Saturday 26th January 2008 at Losail International Circuit.

18.2 Prizes

PRIZES - CUPS

GENERAL CLASSIFICATIONS :

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| 1st overall | - Two trophies |
| 2nd overall | - Two trophies |
| 3rd overall | - Two trophies |

CLASS WINNERS :

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| 1st in Class | - Two trophies |
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NOTE : Class awards will not be given ,
If less than 3 (three) cars are entered in a class, and
If the winner of a class is also the winner of the Group.

BEST 1600 C.C., 2 WHELL DRIVE CLASS AWARD :

(Two wheel drive Grp.A,N, normally aspirated engine)

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| Highest placed crew | - Two trophies |
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BEST QATARI NATIONAL CREW (Both crew members are Qatar - nationals)

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| Highest places crew | - Two trophies. |
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PRIVATE ENTRANTS (Subject to definition stated on the back side of entry form)

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| Highest placed crew | - Two trophies |
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BEST FINISHER OF FOREIGN CREW - (Both crew are holding foreign Licence)

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| Highest placed crew | - Two trophies |
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BEST LADIES CREW

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| Highest placed crew | - Two trophies |
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19. Final Scrutineering

Saturday 26th Jan. 2008

(16.30) - Final Scrutineering at Losail Circuit .

20. Results

20.1 Publication of Provisional Final Classification

Saturday 26th Jan. 2008

(19.30) - Publication of Provisional Final Classification
(20.00) - Publication of the Final Overall Classification.

21. Protests

21.1 Protest fees

The protest fee shall be **QR.4000/-** non refundable.

21.2 Protest involving the whole car

There will be no protest allowed which involves the whole car .

21.3 Additional deposit

If the protest requires the dismantling and the re-assembly of different parts of a car, the claimant must pay an additional deposit.

The sum of QR 8000/- for each part if the protest involves a clearly defined part of the car of: (engine, transmission, steering, breaking system, electrical installation, body, etc.)

The expenses incurred by the work and by the transport of the vehicle shall be borne by the claimant on top of above amount if the protest is unfounded, or by the competitor against whom the protest is lodged if the claim is upheld.

If the protest is unfounded, and if the expenses incurred by the protest (Scrutineering, transport etc.) are higher than the deposit amount, the difference shall be borne by the claimant. Conversely, if the expenses are less, the difference shall be refunded to them.

21.4 Appeal fee

The ASN appeal fee for national appeal is set at QR 8000.00.

The FIA appeal fee for an international appeal is set at Euros. 6000.00.

APPENDIX I

Itinerary

(Will be issued in a Bulletin.)

APPENDIX II

COMPETITORS RELATIONS OFFICER

COMPETITORS RELATIONS OFFICER:

Presence during the rally

At the rally office	: Monday, 21st Jan & : Tuesday 22nd Jan
During Scrutineering	: Thursday 24th January
At the "parc ferme"	: Friday 25th January
At the starting zone	: Friday 25th January
At the regrouping halts – Leg 1	: Friday 25th January
At the regrouping halts – Leg 2	: Saturday 26th January
At the parc ferme at the end of Leg 1	: Friday 25th January
At the parc ferme at the end of Leg 2	: Saturday 26th January

PRINCIPAL MISSIONS

Inform the competitors and play a mediating role at all times.

This post must be entrusted to an official in possession of a licence issued by his ASN as it implies a

certain knowledge of the general regulations. He may attend the meeting of the Panel of the Stewards of the Meeting, in order to keep abreast of all the decisions taken. The Competitors' Relations Officer must be able to be easily identified by the competitor.

To this end it is advised that:

1. They wear a very conspicuous Blue colour tabard
2. They are introduced to the competitors' at the driver's briefing,
3. Their photograph be included in the supplementary regulations or in a bulletin.

FUNCTION

- Give accurate answers to all questions asked.
- Provide all information or additional classification in connection with the Supplementary Regulations and the running of the rally.

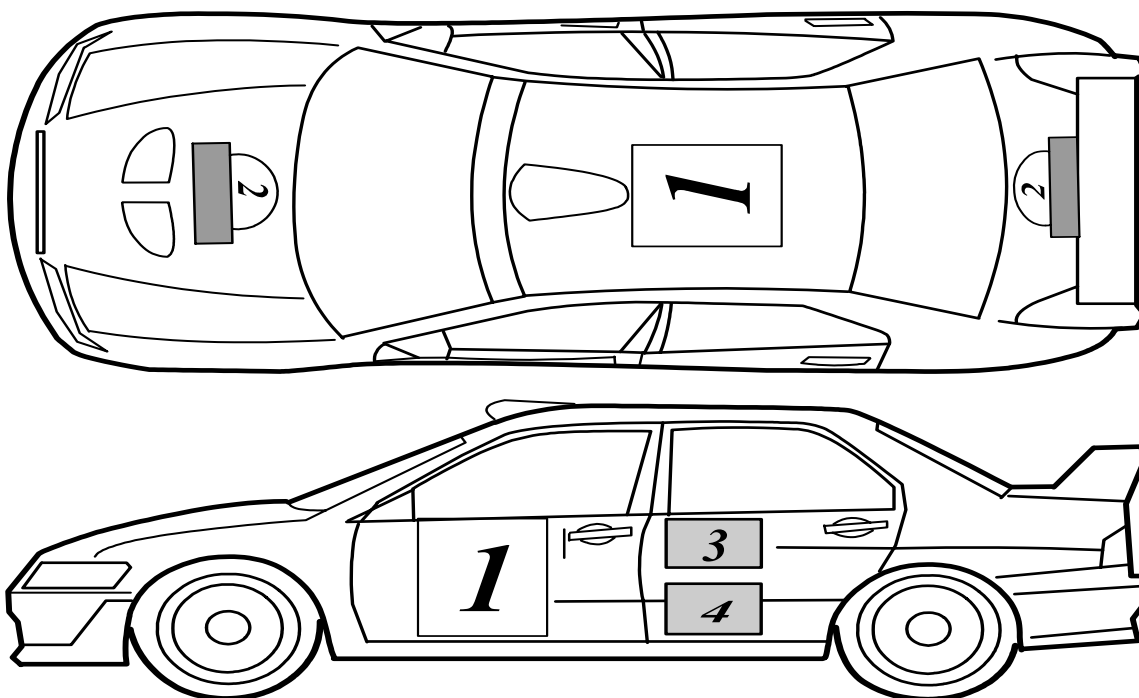
MEDIATION

Avoid forwarding question to the Panel of the Stewards of the Meeting which could be solved by a clear explanation, with the exception of protests (for example, clarify disputes over times, with the assistance of time-keepers).

The Competitors' Relations Officer shall refrain from saying anything or taking action which might give rise to protest.

APPENDIX III

Competitors Numbers and advertising



Obligatory:



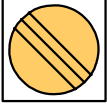








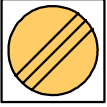
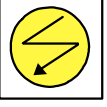
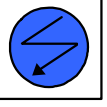





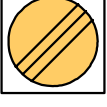


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| 1. | Three Competition number panels | : | 50 x 52 cm |
| 2. | Rally plates | : | 43 x 21.5 cm front |
| | | : | 28 x 15 cm rear. |

Optional:

- 3,4. Two A4 size panels.

APPENDIX IV

RALLY CONTROL SIGNS (Diameter of signs approximately 70 cm.)

DIRECTION	TYPE OF CONTROL	CONTROL ZONE
→	Passage Control (Judge of Fact)	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Beginning of Control  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> Judge of Fact (non stop if in SS)  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> End of Control  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←25m→ ←25m→ </div>
→	Refuelling Zone	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> Start of Zone  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> End of Zone  </div> </div>
→	Time Control	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←25m→ ←25m→ </div>
→	Time Control and SS start	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←25m→ ←50-100m→ ←25m→ </div>
→	SS Radio communication point	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←25m→ </div>
→	SS Safety point	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←100m→ </div>
→	End of SS	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> <div style="text-align: center;">  </div> </div> <div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; margin-top: 5px;"> ←100m→ ←100-300m→ ←25m→ </div>
→	Tyre Marking	<div style="display: flex; justify-content: space-around; align-items: center;"> <div style="text-align: center;"> TYRE MARKING  </div> <div style="text-align: center;"> TYRE CHECKING  </div> </div>

APPENDIX V

Competitors Numbers and advertising

Definition of Private Entry.

For an Entry for the QATAR International Rally to be considered as a Private Entry, all of the following conditions must be complied with:

1. The Car entered must be personal property of one of the Crewmembers and the Vehical License must be in his/her name.
2. The vehicle must not be registered or licensed in the name of a Company or any other person.
3. The Entry must be made in the name of one of the Crewmembers, not in the name of a Sponsor or any Commercial Organisation.
4. The Entrant's Competition License must be in the name of one of the Crewmembers.
5. Letters of authorization from any third party approving the use of the Vehicle, other than legalised sales documents dated more than three months before the date of the Rally, will not be considered.

Unless ALL of the above mentioned conditions are met, the Entry will not be considered as a Private Entry.