# **INTRODUCTION**

These General Instructions are the rules for this rally.

THIS IS A RALLY -- NOT A RACE! Please observe all posted speed limits! You will be penalized for arriving early or late at checkpoints along the route.

The object of the rally competition is to follow the prescribed course and arrive at each checkpoint when you are due, neither early nor late. Each leg of the rally is scored separately; if you are late at one checkpoint, you cannot improve your score by arriving early at the next checkpoint

Always drive in a safe and legal manner. You may neither drink nor be under the influence of alcoholic beverages, nor drive recklessly or illegally during the event; if you do, you may be disqualified.

It is each contestant's responsibility to check the route instructions for legibility and completeness.

### 1. TERMS -- GLOSSARY

**AFTER**: The referenced item will be before the point at which the action is to be executed.

**AT**: The referenced item will be in the immediate vicinity of the point at which the action is to be executed.

**BEFORE**: The last opportunity to execute an instruction prior to, and within sight of, the referenced item.

**INTERSECTION**: Any meeting of existent public roads (without regard to route designation, surface condition or other

characteristics unless such render the road non-existent) at grade level from which the rally vehicle could proceed in more than one direction without making a U-turn.

**KEY TIME**: The time for Car #0 to leave the designated point on the route.

**PAUSE**. To wait or delay a specified time on the route (given in decimal minutes).

**PAVED**: A road having a hard surface, such as concrete, brick, macadam, etc.

**RIGHT (LEFT)**: A turn from 1 to 179 degrees in the direction indicated at an Intersection.

**STOP**: An official octagonal stop sign at which you are required to stop.

**STRAIGHT**: Continue with the least deviation from your current direction of travel at an Intersection.

**Traffic Light**: An intersection controlled by one or more traffic regulating lights, which need not be operating.

T: An intersection, roughly in the shape of a capital T. It must be approached from the bottom.

## 2. CLASSES

- 2.1 Non-variable rate time pieces, watches, stop watches, Smartphones and Smartphone Applications readable in any units are allowed in all classes.
- 2.2 There are two classes:
- 2.2.1 'Novice': both the driver and the navigator have competed in fewer than five rallies of any type.
- 2.2.2 'Experienced': all teams that do not qualify for the other class listed above.

### **3. CLASS EQUIPMENT LIMITATION**

3.1 No limitation on timing equipment in any of the three classes.

# 4. SIGNS AND OBJECTS

- 4.1 Quoted material in the route instructions refers to information on signs. Signs may be quoted in full or in part. However parts of words or parts of numbers will not be used. Words or numbers will not be scrambled or rearranged. Punctuation may or may not be quoted.
- 4.2 Material not in quotes refers to the actual object, place or likeness. The object or place may be identified by a suitable sign.
- 4.3 All signs and objects will be of a permanent nature.
- 4.4 All signs and objects will be visible within 90 degrees of straight ahead. There will be no LOOK BACKS!

## 5. ROADS

- 5.1 Roads requiring an illegal entry, requiring an illegal turn, marked "KEEP OUT", "DEAD END", "NO OUTLET", "ROAD CLOSED", and private roads and driveways are not to be considered as opportunities to turn unless the Route Instruction tells you to do so.
- 5.2 Unpaved/gravel roads are not to be considered as opportunities to turn.
- 5.3 The road surface of the road upon which you are traveling may alternate between paved and unpaved (In other words, you can continue onto unpaved if there is no paved alternative.).

## 6. EXECUTION OF INSTRUCTIONS

- 6.1 Execute instructions in the order presented.
- 6.2 Complete each instruction before executing the next.
- 6.3 Speed changes, Pauses, Free Zones, and Special Instructions may overlap several instructions.

#### 7. ROUTE FOLLOWING PRIORITIES

- 7.1 Instructions shall be executed in the following order:
  - a. Official Emergency Signs
  - b. Route Instructions
  - c. General Instructions
- 7.2 In the absence of an instruction, go as straight as possible.

## 8. MILEAGES were taken at:

- 8.1 An explicitly designated sign or landmark, e.g. At Bridge
- 8.2 At intersections mileage was measured at the Stop or Yield sign on the right side of the road on which the rally car entered the intersection, or if no such sign exists the mileage was measured at the backward facing Stop or Yield sign on the left side of the road on which the rally car departs the intersection. The exact point of measurement at the Stop or Yield signs is when the front wheel of the rally car is at the slimmest view of sign.

### 9. CONTROLS (Checkpoints)

- 9.1. Virtual Closed controls will be used on this event. Do not stop at checkpoints unless an emergency arises.
- 9.2. Checkpoints will be identified by a checkpoint sign. You will be timed as you pass the sign.

### **10. TIME ALLOWANCES**

10.1 The use of a Time Allowance (TA) is permitted for any situation that causes you to be late. Our primary concern is safety. Use the Ritcha App to enter your TA. There is no penalty for taking a time allowance.

## **11. SCORING**

- 11.1 One point for second early or late
- 11.2 Thirty points maximum score at a checkpoint
- 11.3 DISQUALIFICATION for:
  - a. Consumption of intoxicants before or during the event,
  - b. Conduct detrimental to the sport of rallying.
- 11.4 TIES for award positions will be broken by comparing the sum of the squares of all control scores. The car with the lowest sum shall win.

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- 12.1 The lowest sum of a teams scores across three events in a calendar year shall determine the winners
- 12.2 Trophies will be awarded to the 1st, 2nd and 3rd place winners
- 12.3 A team consists of the same two people, the Region Championship Series is agnostic to who is the driver and navigator from those two people.