

Midland Moto Stages Rally

5th March 2023



Triton Showers Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship – Round 1

Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship - Round 1

Hugo Loonam Motors Midlands East Championship - Round 1

Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series – Round 2



1. Announcement

The Midland Moto Stages Rally is promoted by Midland Motor Club and will be held on the 5th March 2023. The competition will be held under the International Sporting Code of the FIA, the General Competition Rules of Motorsport Ireland including Appendix 25, Appendix 26, Appendix 28, Appendix 29, Appendix 29.1 and Appendix 31 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, these Supplementary Regulations and current HSE/government regulations and guidelines in place at the time of the event. Amendments to these Supplementary Regulations will be issued by numbered bulletins. All competitors who submit completed entry forms agree to be bound by these regulations.

2. Organisation

2.1 These regulations have been submitted to, and approved by Motorsport Ireland who has issued Permit No: 2023/ 018 for the holding of the competition.

Championships for which the rally is a counting round:

1. Triton Showers Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship – Round 1
2. Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship - Round 1
3. Hugo Loonam Motors Midlands East Championship - Round 1
4. Motorsport Ireland Junior Rally Series – Round 2

2.2 Officials:

Stewards appointed by Motorsport Ireland	<i>Brendan Flynn, Patrick Haughey</i>
Steward appointed by Organizing Club	<i>Adrian Grealy</i>
Clerk of the Course	<i>Seamus Mc Tighe</i>
Motorsport Ireland Safety Delegate	<i>Rosemary Walsh</i>
Chief Scrutineer	<i>John Prendergast</i>
Deputy Clerk of the Course	<i>Kieran Ambrose</i>
Assistant Clerk of the Course	<i>Cyril Rollins, Frank Glancy</i>
Tracking Officer	<i>Ita Doonan</i>
Secretary of the Event	<i>Josephine Lane-Flynn</i>
Entries Secretary	<i>Niamh Clancy</i>
Club Safety Officer	<i>Jeremy O'Connor</i>
Chief Marshal	<i>TBA</i>
Chief Timekeeper	<i>Eamon Mc Gee</i>
Radio Controller	<i>Mary Fitzgerald</i>
Press Officer	<i>Barry Molloy</i>
Youth Liaison Officer	<i>Niamh Clancy</i>
Competitors' Relations Officer	<i>Paul McLoughlin</i>
Results Officer	<i>Conor Maguire</i>
Emergency Services Liaison Officer	<i>Bernard Flynn</i>
Chief Medical Officer	<i>Dr Moti Raman</i>
Service Area Coordinator	<i>Ivan Heffernan</i>
Spectator Safety	<i>Aiden Harper</i>
Stage Commanders	<i>Paul Callaghan, Gerry Hyland, Keith Farrell</i>
Deputy Stage Commanders	<i>Darren Delaney, Seamus Cooke , Chris Coleman</i>
Car Accountability	<i>Eoin Longworth</i>
Sweeper	<i>Jimmy Halligan</i>
Super Rally Co-Ordinator	<i>Greg Shinnors</i>
Chief Rescue Officer	<i>Fergal Heneghan</i>

2.3 Rally Headquarters: Longford Arms Hotel, Main Street, Longford N39 X4H6

2.4 Entries Secretary Contact Details
Josephine Lane-Flynn,
Raven's Rock Stonepark,
Longford,
N39 T9V2
086 8376934

2.5 Official Notice Board:

The official notice board will be situated in Rally Office in the Longford Arms Hotel, Longford and on the Sportity App MIDLANDMOTO23, and will be in operation from 08:00 on the 4th March until Final Results on 5th March 2023. And on the Sportity App:

3. Programme

Event	Date	Time	Location
Supplementary Regulations available	On Publication of these regulations		Sportity App MIDLANDMOTO23 and Shannonsportsit)
Entries open	22/01/23		Shannonsportsit.ie
Entries close (including priority)	20/02/23		
Final Instructions Posted	27/02/23		Sportity App MIDLANDMOTO23
Reconnaissance Registration	04/03/23	08.30 - 10:30	Rally Office Longford Arms Hotel
Reconnaissance	04/03/23	09.00 – 16:00	
Mechanical Scrutineering	04/03/23	14:00 – 19:00	Midland Engineering, Ballinalee road, Longford
Documentation Scrutineering	04/03/23	14:30 – 19:30	Rally Office, Longford Arms Hotel
Competitors Safety Briefing	05/03/23	07:30	Longford Arms Hotel
Rally Start	05/03/23	08:45	Parc Ferme Out
Rally Finish	05/03/23	18:07	Parc Ferme In
Provisional Results	05/03/23	No later than 19:00	Notice board and Sportity
Prizegiving	05/03/23	30 Mins after Final Results	Longford Arms Hotel

4. Entries

4.1 Information:

4.1.1 Entries may be submitted by all persons holding a valid FIA Competition License or Commercial Entrants License as issued by a recognized ASN.

4.1.2 All entries must be made on the Official Entry Form <https://www.shannonsportsit.ie/evo/Entry?event=IE-MIDL-MI23> be fully completed and signed by the entrant, driver and navigator, accompanied by the appropriate fee and forwarded to the Entries Secretary. Incomplete or illegible forms will be returned.

4.1.3 Entries from other (nonMI/MSUK) ASN INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY license holders from abroad may be accepted provided:

4.1.3.1 The license holder has written permission from his/her ASN (National Governing Body) to compete in the declared "national competition organised abroad".

4.1.3.2 The license holder holds an FIA INTERNATIONAL grade STAGE RALLY license.

4.1.3.3 The Motorsport Ireland (MI) office has been contacted in the first instance and has given PRIOR approval for each individual competitor before an entry can be accepted. Written proof of which must be provided to the organisers

Note: The license holder must be listed on the IRDS/ BRDS Database Published weekly on MI Website. BRDS can be applied for via the MI website or by contacting the MI office. This must be applied for a minimum of 2 weeks before the event.

Completed entries will be accepted on a first come first served basis. In the event of an excess of 150 entries being received, a reserve list will be compiled in order of receipt of entries.

Note: The club reserves the right to refuse an entry without assigning a reason.

The number of starters (including juniors) will be limited to 150. The number of starters in the Junior Class will be limited to 25.

4.2 Entry Fee:

The Main Field entry fee is €750.

The Historic (Classes 17-19) entry fee is €750

The Junior (Class 16) entry fee is €700

The entry fee includes the Personal Accident Insurance, IRDS / BRDS Insurance at standard rate.

All competitors should ensure they are listed on the IRDS / BRDS Data Base prior to the event, as published weekly by Motorsport Ireland. Contact Motorsport Ireland with any queries +353 (0)1 6775628.

Bank Drafts or Postal Orders should be made payable to: Midland Autosports CLG T/a Midland Motor Club

IMPORTANT - Ensure competitor name is included as the reference

Please note: Withdrawal of all entries must be completed via email to the Event Secretary.

Withdrawals:

If an entry is withdrawn in writing via an email before 17.00 hrs on Friday 24th February, the entry fee will be fully refunded. Entries withdrawn before 17:00 hrs on 2nd March will have 20% of total entry withheld. After that time there will be no refund issued.

For payments directly into our Bank;

A/c Name: Midland Autosports CLG

Branch Code: 901773 BIC : BOFIE2D IBAN: IE27 BOFI 90177332776946

A/c Number: 32776946

Bank Of Ireland, Longford

Bank Transfers closing date Friday 24th February

Signed indemnity's to be sent to:

Name: Josephine Lane Flynn
Address: Ravens Rock, Stonepark, Longford
Tel: 086 8376934
E: Jodylaneflynn@gmail.com

4.2 Entry Criteria:

In the event of an excess of 150 entries being received, the following criteria will be applied to all entries received from the opening to the closing date of entries:

- Motorsport Ireland Triton Showers National Rally Championship:

As per 7.2 of the Motorsport Ireland National Rally Championship Regulations, Appendix 31 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

- Sligo Pallets Border Rally Championship:

First two drivers in each class

- 15 places at the discretion of the organizer's

5. Classes

5.1 The event will include classes, as per Appendix 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook

5.2 Notes on Classes:

For further details on requirements for cars in classes 1 to 7, refer to www.fia.com, Appendix J, articles 252 to 261 (Article 260 refers to cars in Group R).

Refer to Appendix 29.1, Notes on Classes, Articles 1 to 24 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for further information on class eligibility.

6. Reconnaissance

6.1 Information:

Pace notes will be allowed on the event and competitors will be allowed to make pace notes on 4th March 23. Competitors must sign on before commencing reconnaissance at:

Location: Rally Office @ Longford Arms Hotel

Time: 08:30 to 10:30

Recce stickers must be displayed on the reconnaissance car windscreen.

6.2 Pace note providers:

Pace notes will be available for sale by third parties. The club has no involvement in their preparation and accepts no responsibility or liability for their accuracy or otherwise.

6.3 Restrictions:

Your attention is also drawn to Appendix 29, article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook referring to a competitor found on a stage outside the reconnaissance period.

6.4 Penalties:

As per Appendix 29, Article 4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

Reports of breaches of above regulations will be submitted to Motorsport Ireland who may convene a tribunal of inquiry.

7. Administrative Checks

Administrative checks:

- Documentation scrutineering is located at Rally Office, Longford Arms Hotel between 14:30 and 19:30 time on the 4th of March 2023.
- Competition licences, and other documentation as requested must be presented.

8. Scrutineering

- Mechanical Scrutiny will take place on 04/03/23 between 14:00 and 19:00 at Midland Engineering, Ballinalee road, Longford
- Post Event Mechanical Scrutiny will take place by invitation at Midland Engineering, Ballinalee road, Longford
- Refer to Appendices 2 and 29.1 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook for scrutiny requirements

9. Servicing

- There will be a designated fixed Service Area.
- Outside of the Service Area, Support / Service is expressly forbidden (Article 11.5, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook).
- Judges of Fact will monitor the route.
- Ground sheets must be utilized by all crews.
- Waste /Recycling bins will be provided in the Service Area and all crews are requested to place all rubbish and recyclable items in the bins.
- Competitors are requested to remove all oil / fluids and tyres from the Service Area.
- Please refer to Appendix 25, Art. 2.10.2 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook regarding fire extinguishers requirements and signage in the Service Area.
- Smoking by competitors or service crews is prohibited within the Service Area.

10. Features of the Rally

10.1 Competitors Safety Briefing:

Competitors Safety Briefing will be held at 5th of March in Longford Arms Hotel, Longford. It is compulsory for at least one member of the crew to attend. (Appendix 25, Article 3.2).

10.2 Route Information:

The rally will take place over a route of approximately 109 stage kilometers and 125 road kilometer's and will comprise of sealed surface stages with service after SS3 and SS6
Cars in the Junior Class (Class 16) will compete over All stages,
Cars in the Historic Classes (Class 17, 18 and 19) will compete over all stages.

10.3 Super Rally:

A restart after retirement facility (Super Rally), as per Art 13, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook, will be operated on the rally.

11. Super Rally (Restart After Retirement)

11.1: General

11.1.1 The rally will operate Super Rally in accordance with Art 13, Appendix 29 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

11.1.2 A crew retiring from the rally between Parc Ferme Out and Arrival Control of SS3, may restart the rally from Service Out Control after 3 stages, or Service Out Control after 6 stages (subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below).

Cars retiring from the rally on Special Stages 3, 4, 5 or the following road sections, may only restart from Service Out Control after 6 stages (subject to compliance with 11.3.1 below). No restart will be permitted for crews retiring on Special Stages 6, 7, 8 or 9

A restart will not be permitted where a crew has been excluded for non-compliance with eligibility requirements, traffic violations or a decision of the COC / SRC (Super Rally Co-Ordinator).

On retirement the crew must hand in their time cards to Car Accountability or the marshal / timekeeper at the next available location / Time Control.

Crews must retain the duplicate copy of the time card, to present to SRC as proof of stages completed.

11.1.3 Competitors must register for Super Rally if they wish to restart from Service Out Control after 3 stages or from Service Out Control after 6 stages by contacting the SRC prior to a time that will be specified in Final Instructions.

Service Vehicles will not be permitted to access the Stage or any closed road between runs. The organisers will, where possible, endeavor to remove any car to the nearest location where it can exit the stage.

The transport of the car from that location is the responsibility of the competitor. The car must return by direct route to the Service Area.

11.1.4 Competitors availing of Super Rally must present themselves at Service Out Control after 3 stages or Service Out Control after 6 stages, with their car, for re-scrutineering.

Due time is 10 minutes before their original due time at that Control, and 15 Minutes maximum lateness will apply.

11.1.5 The SRC, once satisfied that the crew meets the conditions for a restart, will issue new time cards which will have a restart time and restart Control Number.

The restart position within the field shall be at the discretion of the COC / SRC.

11.1.6 The organisers reserve the right to disallow restart on safety grounds or if the restart would interfere with the running of the rally.

11.2 Penalties:

11.2.1 Penalties will be applied as per Article 13.5, Appendix 29 of the Motorsport Ireland Yearbook.

11.3 Award Eligibility:

11.3.1 In order to be classified as a finisher the crew must complete a minimum of 5 special stages, which must include the final loop of stages and the finish control.

11.3.2 Crews completing the rally under Super Rally regulations will be eligible to score points in Championships.

12. Awards

12.1 Award Details:

	2 Trophies
2nd Overall	2 Trophies
3rd Overall	2 Trophies
1st in each class	2 Trophies
2nd in each class	2 Trophies
3rd in each class	2 Trophies

Club Awards (for those who have not already won an award)

- Tony Gibbons Award Highest placed club member not receiving class award.
- Ciaran Kelly Award Spirit of the Rally.
- Declan Collum Award Fastest Midland Motor Club member – stage to be confirmed.
- Aaron Hagan Award Highest placed Midland Motor Club crew (Junior class).
- Finnegan's Garage Award Highest placed Subaru.
- David Donohue Award Highest Placed Honda Midland Motor Club member.

12.2 Notes:

Overall winners are not eligible for class awards.

If 5 or more entries are not received in each class, the organisers reserve the right to amalgamate classes or reduce the awards accordingly.

Other awards may be added at the clubs discretion.

All trophies not collected/claimed by the 7th of May 2023 will be forfeited.

13. Judges of Fact

- List of Judges of Fact will be advised in final instructions and will be posted on the official notice board.
- The decision of a Judge of Fact will be final.

13.1 Judges of Fact:

All named below, are Judges of Fact.

Seamus Mc Tighe, Kieran Ambrose, Frank Clancy , Cyril Rollins , Ita Doonan, Josephine Lane-Flynn, Jeremy O'Connor, Ivan Heffernan, Barry Molloy, Bernard Flynn, Noel McGrath, Aiden Harper, Eoin Longworth, Jimmy Halligan, Paul Callaghan, Gerard Hyland, Keith Farrell, Chris Coleman, Niamh Clancy, Shane Dalton, Greg Shinnors.

14. Provision Regarding Postponement, Abandonment or Cancellation of the event.

The organizers reserve the right to postpone, cancel or abandon the event in circumstances such as

- Insufficient entries received at the closing date for entries
- On safety grounds (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11)
- Force Majeure (upon consultation with the MI Stewards reference GCR 129.11)

14.1: If a decision to postpone, cancel or abandon the event is made, the organisers will communicate this decision using one of or a combination of the following

- Final instruction posted on official notice board [Sportity](#)
- Final instruction posted or emailed directly to the crew member nominated as official contact on entry form
- Direct instruction to at least one of the crew from an official of the event

Every effort will be made by the organisers to communicate such a decision in a timely manner however, in circumstances of force majeure or on safety grounds, it may be necessary to make such a decision during the running of an event. In such cases, this decision will be communicated via direct instruction from an official of the event. In the event of cancellation or postponement for more than 24 hours, entry fee shall be refunded in accordance with GCR 51.2.

INDEMNITIES, DECLARATIONS & UNDERTAKINGS BY ENTRANTS, DRIVERS & PASSENGERS

(a) I have read the supplementary regulations issued for this event and agree to be bound by them and by the General Competition Rules and Regulations of MI including the guidelines and regulations contained in Motorsport Ireland's Code of Conduct for Children's Sport. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry or of my being permitted to take part in this event I agree to save harmless and keep indemnified the Midland Motor Club, Irish Automobile Club Ltd. t/a Royal Irish Automobile Club, Irish Motorsport Federation Ltd. t/a Motorsport Ireland and their respective officials, servants, representatives and agents from and against all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect of death, injury, loss of or damage to the person or property of myself, my driver(s), passenger(s) or mechanic(s) (as the case may be) howsoever caused arising out of or in connection with this entry or my taking part in this event and notwithstanding that the same may have been contributed to or occasioned by the negligence of the said bodies, their officials, servants, representatives or agents. Furthermore, in respect of any parts of this event on ground where Third Party Insurance is not required by law, this Agreement shall in addition to the parties named above extend to all and any other competitor(s) and their servants and agents and to all actions, claims, costs, expenses and demands in respect of loss of or damage to the person or property of myself, my driver(s), passenger(s) or mechanic(s).

If under 18 years of age, My age (driver) is My age (co-driver) is

(b) I declare that to the best of my belief the driver(s), passenger(s) possess the standard of competence necessary for an event of the type to which this entry relates and that the car entered is suitable and roadworthy for the event having regard to the course and the speeds which will be reached.

I declare that the use of the car hereby entered is covered by Insurance as required by the Road Traffic Act, which is valid for such part of this event as shall take place on roads as defined in the Act.

(c) I understand that should I at the time of this event be suffering from any disability whether permanent, temporary or otherwise which is likely to affect prejudicially my normal control of my automobile, I may not take part unless I have declared such disability to MI, who have, following such declaration issued a licence which permits me to do so.

(d) I undertake that at the time of the event to which this entry relates I shall be in possession of a current certificate of medical fitness. In the case of MI Licence Holders, only certificates on the official MI or FIA Medical Forms will be accepted.

(e) Any indemnity and/or declaration as prescribed by sub-paragraphs (a) and (b) above which is signed by a person under the age of 18 years shall be countersigned by that person's parent or guardian, whose full names and address shall be given. Furthermore, the parents and/or guardians of persons under 18 years of age shall grant permission to MI and the Irish Sports Council to carry out tests in accordance with the Irish Anti-Doping Rules (Rule No 139) in the following form:

"I/We hereby grant permission to MI and the Irish Sports Council to carry out tests as set out in Rule No 139 of the GCRs in accordance with the Irish Anti-Doping Rules."

(f) I agree to abide by and be bound by the Motorsport Ireland Social Media Policy of conduct as per Appendix 126 of the current MI Yearbook.

Signed Driver _____ Signed Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Signed Navigator _____ Signed Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____

Signed Entrant _____ Signed Parent/Guardian _____

Address _____