

Hatsford Targa Road Rally 2024

Final Instructions

1. Thank you for your entry. Your competition number is shown on the Entry System. If you have any amendments (especially to car or class or contact details) please update your entry on-line or contact the entries secretary at simonharris8@outlook.com as soon as possible. If after 0500 Sunday 4th, please text to Competitor Liaison Officer (see below). Remember, if you have to withdraw for any reason, please contact the entries secretary.
 2. Notes and amendments to SR's.
ASR 4b Invited Clubs. Add Coalville Car Club & Mid-Derbyshire Motor Club.
Competition Liaison Officer, Matt Rogers 07584 654752. No calls after 8pm, please.
ASR 21 Penalties. Add xiv) Using tyres that contravene the event regulations, the penalty is disqualification and you will not be allowed to start any more tests.
 3. **Getting to the event.**
Please note the suggested route to the venue, and don't disturb the peaceful villages of Aylton, Putley and Rushall on your way to the event at 0700 on a Sunday morning – especially with a noisy trailer..... See accompanying maps. Thank you.
MapRef 149/645364. Postcode HR8 2QF. What3Words ///warm.suggested.cowboy
 4. **Programme and Scrutineering**
On arrival, please park in the paddock, which is through the first gate on the right off the driveway and will be arrowed – easier turning this year! There will be full scrutineering. Among other things, the scrutineers will check that your tyres comply with the event regulations. If they don't, you will not be allowed to start the event, you will get no refund. Once you have passed scrutineering, one of the crew may take your scrutineering pass to the green Ross Club documentation gazebo to collect your Rally Pack. Ross Club Cards (if joining for this event) will be in your Rally Pack.

The earlier you arrive, the more time you'll get to look at the test diagrams and read the accompanying notes concerning the layout and event procedures... and have breakfast. To save disturbing the local residents too early on a Sunday morning, the Sound Test will be held on completion of Test One. Competitors may not leave the paddock and go a-wandering. You can see a couple of fields from the paddock to get the idea of what is planned for you. Don't trespass!
- Sunday Timetable**
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| 06.45 | Venue Gate opens. |
| 07.00 | Scrutineering and Documentation opens. |
| 08.45 | Scrutineering and Documentation closes. |
| 08.45 | Competitors' briefing. |
| 09.15 | Standard time of starting Test One. |
| 17.10 | Approximate finish time of last Car on Test Six. |
5. **Competitor Briefing**
We will have a 'traditional' Competitors' Briefing at 0845 in the paddock this year.

6. **Chuck Wagon**

There will be a chuck wagon in attendance throughout the day, serving from 0730. Please support them. However, as will be mentioned below, please also allow any marshals to jump the queue as their time 'off duty' will be shorter than yours.

7. **Tyres.**

From the number of communications that we have had each year with some of you, it appears that not everybody understands the tyre restriction that we impose for this event. It is clearly laid out in the event ASR's and although they have not changed since before you entered the event, we repeat them here. If you are found with tyres that do not comply, you will not be allowed to start the event, there will no refunds and your place will be taken by a grateful reserve. If this is during the event, you will be disqualified and not allowed to start any more tests. We need to be fair to the landowner who has asked that his land is not destroyed by tyres that will create too much damage; also to the other competitors who have complied. You will not be allowed to use EXTREME VR3 tyres, and of course, your tyres must comply with L3.2 It is a Road Rally, don't forget.

ASR11. Tyres must be normal road pattern tyres and must be 'E' marked.

Use of the following tyres are prohibited:

- a) those having any of the following patterns, inscriptions or manufacturers' designations: 'All Seasons', 'Grip', 'Snow', 'Special Use', 'Town & Country', 'Mud & Snow', 'M+S', 'M.S.', 'M&S' or the Three Peaks Mountain Snowflake symbol;
- b) those showing any signs of the above markings being removed.
- c) those having additional grooves intentionally cut into the tread pattern [post manufacture].
- d) those constructed primarily for off-road and motor sport use;

If you have any doubt about the legality of your tyres, please contact the Clerk of the Course in advance. 07966 790983 or hatsford@gmail.com

While on the subject of tyres, there were a fair number (maybe 15 or 20) of tyre deflations a couple of years ago in dry weather – mostly from tyres coming off rims, rather than punctures. You are advised not to reduce tyre pressures just because you are competing on grass, or even wet grass, but to perhaps inflate them somewhat to increase sidewall rigidity and steering feel.

8. **DVLA Checks, Spill Kit and Rally Plate**

Competitors are reminded that they are required to carry a small Spill Kit, high visibility vests/jackets, OK/SOS board and warning triangle as per J5.20.13. Our ASR17 requires the rally plate (not self-adhesive) to be fixed to the **REAR** of the car, and the sticky numbers are to be fixed to each side of the car (preferably high on rear windows) for marshals' identification purposes.

Please remember that this is a road rally, and your car needs to be road legal. Your vehicle will be checked on the DVLA website for MOT before the event.

9. **Footpaths and Farm Trespass**

Although there are no public footpaths in the area of the Tests, there is one that runs through the paddock. Please drive with care, do not block the footpath and respect users' rights to be there.

Nobody must go into the farm buildings at any time during the day. Livestock is being housed there while you play in their fields. Also, farm tractors, trailers and other implements are not toys and should not be clambered upon, or even touched.

10. **Marshals**
Marshals should go to the Chief Marshal who will be well away from others in the paddock – see diagram. Please can marshals be all signed on before 0745 for their briefing and to be led out to their positions before 0830. Marshals will have small radios to be able to communicate with their Chief Marshal and Radio Controller. Their lunch break will be from about 1300 to 1350. The marshals' time off-duty will be shorter than for the competitors, so please let them have preference at the chuck wagon. If you are bringing a welcome marshal, please ask your marshal to bring a clipboard, pen, a hammer and a hi-viz jacket/bib. We'll supply the rest, including a goodie bag and food voucher. There will be a £10 rebate to the competitor during the day.
11. **Test Diagrams and Timecards**
For added clarity, the test diagrams are all printed in colour on A3 size paper, and therefore you may wish to have some sort of map board to keep them flat. You will be carrying traditional Timecards to be used for recording Start and Finish times only; not for Passage Controls or Route Checks. You should hand the timecards in to the Documentation Area at the end of each Test. Competitors will start Tests One to Four at 30 second intervals. Tests Five & Six will be started at One Minute intervals. Full details will be in the Roadbook.
12. **Litter**
Please take all you litter home with you. This is a working farm and the animals will be let back into their fields on the completion of competition. The owner does not want them eating your crisp packets, banana skins, apple cores etc. It would be appreciated if some help could be given in breaking down the posts/arrows/cones at the end of the day. Thankyou.
13. **Refuelling**
There will not be a designated refuelling area, and we do not wish to see any refuelling on site. The event is relatively short and you are expected to have enough fuel in your car to complete the 33 competitive miles.
14. **Results and Photographs**
Live Results will be available through the day via www.rallyroots.com 's website. Event Notices will be displayed on a GoogleDrive page. The link for the page is

<https://drive.google.com/drive/folders/1UY4NmVFuYCe8h081B74SChnj8jwPWWE1?usp=sharing>

Andrew Manston from M&H Photography will be in attendance, and his proofs will be sent to you.

We hope you enjoy your day's motor sport – safely