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OMAN International Rally 2026



SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS



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1 INTRODUCTION

1.1 COMPLIANCE

OMAN INTERNATIONAL RALLY 2026 will be run in compliance with the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code and its appendices, the 2026 FIA Regional Sporting Regulations including appendices, these Supplementary Regulations, 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.

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). Additional information without any regulatory value will be published in Rally Guide, issued on Thursday 8th January 2026.

The 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations can be found at:

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

1.2 ROAD SURFACE

The rally will be run on **gravel**.

1.3 OVERALL SPECIAL STAGES DISTANCE AND TOTAL DISTANCE OF THE ITINERARY:

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|-------------------------------------|-----------|
| • Overall distance: | 659.72 KM |
| • Number of special stages: | 13 |
| • Total distance of special stages: | 215.44 KM |
| • Number of sections: | 6 |
| • Number of legs: | 2 |

1.4 NAME OF THE RALLY

The official name of the rally is "OMAN INTERNATIONAL RALLY 2026".

2 ORGANISATION

2.1 FIA AND NATIONAL TITLES FOR WHICH THE RALLY COUNTS

2.1.1 FIA Titles:

- 2026 FIA Middle East Rally Championship for Drivers & Co-Drivers
- 2026 FIA MERC 2 For Drivers & Co-Drivers
- 2026 FIA MERC 3 for Drivers & Co-Drivers
- 2026 FIA MERC 4 for Drivers & Co-Drivers
- 2026 FIA Junior MERC Championship for Drivers
- 2026 FIA Master MERC Championship for Drivers

2.1.2 Other titles for which the rally counts:

- Oman National Rally Championship 2026 for Drivers & Co-Drivers



2.2 VISA NUMBERS FIA & ASN

- **FIA Visa No: TBA**
- **ASN Visa No: OAA R/1/2026** **Issued on: 25th October 2025**

2.3 ORGANISERS:

OMAN AUTOMOBILE ASSOCIATION (OAA)

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E-mail: <mailto:Rally@omanauto.org>

website: www.omanauto.org

2.3.1 ASN ORGANISER PANEL:

Chairman:	Brig. Jamal Said Al Tai
Vice-Chairman:	Mr. Suleiman Al Rawahi
Members:	Mr. Anwar Al Zadjali

2.4 ORGANIZING COMMITTEE:

Chairman:	Mr. Anwar Al Zadjali
Members:	Mr. Sanad Al Rawahi Mr. Saud Al Rawahi Mr. Younis Al Balushi Mr. Nicolas Hindy Dr. Nihal Afifi

2.5 STEWARDS

FIA Chairperson:	TBA
FIA Steward:	TBA
ASN Steward:	Mr. Ahmed Soomar
Secretary to the Stewards:	Mrs. Maridel Molito Mrs. Cristine Molito

2.6 FIA DELEGATES AND OBSERVERS

FIA Sporting Delegate:	TBA
FIA technical Delegate:	TBA
FIA Safety Delegate:	TBA
ASN Observer:	Amjad Al Fairuz



2.7 SENIOR OFFICIALS

Rally Director	Anwar Al Zadjali
Clerk of the Course:	Hani Shaban
Assistant Clerk of the Course	Sanad Al Rawahi
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Saud Al Rawahi
Deputy Rally Director:	Younis Al Balushi
ASN Safety Delegate	Rashed Al Blushi
Chief Safety Officer/Asst. Rally Director	Nicolas Hindy
Chief Marshal	Issam Baram
Assistant Chief Safety Officer (Road Closure)	Majid Al Rashdi
Communication Officer	Mohammed Al Hasmi
Stage Commander	Khalid Al Aisry
Stage Commander	Saber Al Sabri/Sleiman Sharji
Stage Commander	Abdullah Al Abri
Safety Officer	Louai Al Mokhaini
Safety Officer	Alhabshi Alyahmadi
Safety Officer	Mohamad Ali Shuriki
Service Park Manager:	Firas Al Zadjali
Chief ASN Scrutineer:	Khalil Soomar/TBA
Rally Office Manager:	Mrs. Sara Taher
Secretary of the Rally:	Thuwan Ehab Ossen/Cristina Molito
Government Liaison Officer:	Mohammed Al Balushi
Chief Medical Officer:	Dr. Nihal Afifi
Logistics Officer OAA	Abdul Majeed Al Abri
Asst. Logistics	Kishor Bharthi
Logistics Officer Sohar	Hamad Al Maqbali
Media Manager & PR:	Mohamed Al Raisi



CRO:	Khalid Al Zadjali/Mohammad Al Rashdi
Results & Tracking Officers:	Samir Al Khusaibi/supon/Marius
Design and Graphics	Salden Eltagonde
Judge of Fact:	Rally Officials.

2.8 HEADQUARTERS LOCATION & CONTACT DETAILS:

Up to Sunday 18th January

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Website: www.omanauto.org

Location of Service Park and parc fermé

In Sohar Entertainment Center:

Coordinates GPS: **24° 20.273'N, 56° 41.095'E**

From Monday 19th January

SOHAR ENTERTAINMENT CENTRE (SEC)

Al Batinah North,

Sultanate of Oman

Tel: (+968) 91107 412, (+968) 98103 090, (+968) 72244 034

2.9 DIGITAL NOTICE BOARDS (DNB):

As provided for in 2026 FIA International Sporting Code, Art. 11.9.4, the Official Notice Board will be the Digital Notice Board (DNB), available in the **Sportity App** only. There will be no physical official notice board. All competitors will be informed only by Sportity notifications about the publication of any documents on the Digital Notice Board.

Sportity app is downloadable for iOS devices on Appstore and for Android devices on Google Play. The event **password is OIR2026**.

3 PROGRAMME

Wednesday, 10th December 2025

Supplementary Regulations	Website-DNB
Entries opening	
Publication of all other forms	

Tuesday, 30th December 2025

Closing date to submit FIA National Car Acceptance Form	Rally@omanauto.org
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Saturday, 10th January 2026

15:00	Rally Guide published	DNB
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Tuesday, 13th January 2026

14:00	Entries closed (and submitting Co-driver details)	OAA – Muscat
14:00	Extra Services in service park closed	OAA - Muscat
	On-Board Camera request form submission closed	



Wednesday, 14 th January 2026		
15:00	Entry List published (Subject to FIA Approval)	DNB
	Online Road Book, Stages Kml/Kmz, (RRSR Art. 19.2) (*)	CRO Group
Sunday, 18 th January 2026		
9:30	Service Park Open	Sohar Entertainment Center
Monday, 19 th January 2026		
9:00 – 19:00	HQ opening/closing	Sohar Entertainment Center
Tuesday, 20 th January 2026		
8:00 - 19:00	HQ opening/closing Media Center & accreditation opening	Sohar Entertainment Center
From 8:00	Administrative Checks (*)	Rally HQ
	Reconnaissance registration	
	Collection of reconnaissance cards & GPS trackers	
	Collection of materials and documents	
	Collection of Rally Time Cards sets (RRSR Art. 6.1)	
	Road Book issuing	
8:00 - 16:00	Reconnaissance Leg 1 (Appendix 2)	
Wednesday, 21 st January 2026		
8:00 – 16:00	Reconnaissance Leg 2 (Appendix 2)	
8:30 - 21:00	HQ Opening	Sohar Entertainment Center
9:00 - 11:00	Optional recce of Shakedown	
9:30 – 20:00	Media Center & accreditation opening	Rally HQ
From 13:00	Return of reconnaissance card & GPS Trackers	Rally HQ
From 17:00	Scrutineering, Components sealing & marking (*) Installation of Rally Safety Tracking systems	ROP Inspection Center
22:00	Amended Entry List published	DNB
Thursday, 22 nd January 2026		
8:00 – 20:00	HQ opening/closing	Sohar Entertainment Center
9:00 – 19:00	Media Centre opening hours	Rally HQ
9:00 – 11:00	Shakedown all competitors	
12:00	Start List leg 1 / section 1 published (Start order as per Art. 41.3 FIA RRSR 2026) Start List leg 1 / section 2 published	DNB
12:00	Drivers Briefing	Rally HQ
12:30	Reconnaissance of SSS1 (Two Passes Convoy)	
14:00-14:30	Pre-Ceremonial Start Holding Area (Lined-up in Service Park)	Sohar Entertainment Center
14:30	Pre-Rally Press Conference	
15:15	Ceremonial Start (after ramp cars exit to Start holding area)	
16:00	Rally Start Leg 1 - Section 1 (TC 0)	Start Holding Area
16:13	SSS1 Sohar Super Special Stage	
16:28	End of Leg 1 Section 1 (1 st car)	Parc Fermé
Friday, 23 rd January 2026		
7:00 – 20:00	HQ opening/closing	Sohar Entertainment Center

8:00 – 21:00	Media Centre opening hours	Rally HQ
8:00	Re-start of Leg 1 - Section 2	Parc Fermé
17:45	All cars must be returned to Parc Fermé from the 45' flexi service.	Parc Fermé
17:45	End of Leg 1	Parc Fermé
18:30	Start List Leg 2 published	DNB
Saturday, 24th January 2026		
6:30 – 20:30	HQ opening/closing	Sohar Entertainment Center
7:30 – 20:30	Media Centre opening hours	Rally HQ
7:30	Start of Leg 2 – Section 4	Parc Fermé
16:58	Rally Finish (1 st car)	Service Park
18:00	Post Rally Press Conference (per RRSR MERC Art.69)	Sohar Entertainment Center
18:30	Podium Ceremony / Prize Giving	Sohar Entertainment Center
19:30	Final Scrutineering	Service Park
19:45	Provisional Classification published	DNB
(*) Will be published in CRO group or in communication/bulletin		

4 ENTRIES

4.1 CLOSING DATES:

Tuesday January 13th, 2026 @ 14:00

Entries Closed & Closing date for submitting Co-Driver Details

4.2 ENTRY PROCEDURE

Any FIA competition license-holder wishing to take part in the 2026 Oman International Rally, MERC must send the due entry fee and the completed entry form to the rally secretariat by 14:00hrs on Tuesday January 13th, 2026. The entry form is available at OAA Website (www.omanauto.org) or **Sportity** App and can be filled online on the following link:



<https://docs.google.com/forms/d/e/1FAIpQLSeYqqmkMJLzDL4oJx9nJrhW1w3I5R-6MaP-m4VdGxv5uPs47w/viewform>

An electronic entry application (Internet) may be accepted. If the application is sent by fax, by email or made electronically, the original duly signed entry form must reach the Organizers before the close of entries. A copy of the valid competitor's license must accompany the entry Form.

An entry application will be accepted only if accompanied by the total entry fees. Entrants other than the first or second driver must hold an appropriate Entrants License issued by their ASN. A copy of the Entrant license must accompany the entry form.

4.2.1 Driver declaration and undertakings

FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations, Article 1.1.7: "All competitors taking part in a Championship event must ensure that their drivers and co-drivers sign the driver's declarations and undertakings form.



Please print, fill and sign the Driver's Declarations and Undertakings available at:

<https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/117> (under RELATED DOCUMENTS)

In order to score points in the MERC, competitors must register with the FIA, according to RRSR Art. 3.5, by using the registration form which can be found at <https://registrations.fia.com/rally>

Registration must be made only with the name of the Competitor (as it appears on the international Competitor's license), at the latest before the closing date for entries of the first rally in which he wishes to score points. However, points will not be awarded retrospectively.

4.3 NUMBER OF COMPETITORS ACCEPTED AND CLASSES

4.3.1 The maximum number of entrants will be "50". If more than the maximum number of entries is received, the acceptance of entries will be at the sole discretion of the Organizer.

4.3.2 Eligible cars:

4.3.2.1 In accordance with Article 12 of the 2026 FIA RRSR and 12, 12.2 in variant 3 FIA MERC of the 2026 FIA RRSR.

4.3.2.2 In accordance with Article 12.3 of 2026 FIA RRSR and 12.3.4 of 2026 FIA RRSR V3 MERC

National/Regional cars in compliance with Art. 12.3.2 are permitted to participate in MERC events, with eligibility to score points.

Must comply with the safety requirements as stipulated in Appendix J, Art. 253. However, two-wheel drive cars with a weight/power ratio of at least 6 kg/hp may also comply with the safety requirements of Appendix J Art. 260B (Option nr. 2: original non-metallic tank only). All provisions mentioned in Art. 260B and applying to Option nr. 2 are mandatory (safety foam, fuel lines, fuel tank protections, protections of the filler neck).

The acceptance of a car by the FIA may be conditional upon the adjustment of the weight and/or the air restrictor diameter, in order to maintain a weight/power ratio similar to that of FIA-homologated cars. All the characteristics indicated on the acceptance form must be respected during the event. The weight to be considered is without crew and their equipment, and a maximum of one spare wheel.

These cars must be approved by the FIA after the competitor has submitted the national/regional car acceptance form no later than two weeks before the closing date on entries. **(Before 30 December 2025).** The form is available at:

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

4.3.2.3 In accordance with Article 12.2.1 of 2026 FIA RRSR V3 MERC, SSV Cross country cars conforming to the 2026 Appendix J Art 281,282,283 and 286A are eligible to compete in MERC rallies.

4.3.2.4 In accordance with Article 12.2.2/3/4 of 2026 FIA RRSR V3 MERC, FIA MERC2, MERC3 and MERC4 Championship for drivers and co-drivers:

All cars must comply with the FIA Appendix J regulations for:

- Group Rally2 Kit (VR4K) MERC2
- Group N4 cars MERC2
- Group Rally3 MERC3
- Classes RC4 and RC5 MERC4
- FIA Junior MERC Championship for Drivers MERC4



CLASSES	GROUPES / GROUPS	
RC2	Groupe Rally2 <i>Group Rally2</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally2 conformes à l'Annexe J 2026, Art. 261 – <i>Group Rally2 cars conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 261</i>
	Groupe Rally2 Kit (VR4K) <i>Group Rally2 Kit (VR4K)</i>	– Voitures équipées du Kit R4 conformes à l'Art. 260E de l'Annexe J 2026 – <i>Cars fitted with R4 Kit conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260E</i>
	Groupe NR4 de plus de 2000 cm ³ <i>Group NR4 over 2000cc</i>	– Voitures du Groupe N conformes à l'Art. 254 de l'Annexe J 2019 – <i>Group N cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 254</i>
RGT	Voitures RGT <i>RGT cars</i>	– Voitures du Groupe RGT conformes à l'Art. 256 de l'Annexe J 2019 – Voitures du Groupe RGT conformes à l'Art. 256 de l'Annexe J 2026 – <i>Group RGT cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 256</i> – <i>Group RGT cars conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 256</i>
RC3	Rally3 (atmo entre 1390 et 2000 cm ³ et turbo entre 927 et 1620 cm ³) <i>Rally3 (atmo over 1390cc and up to 2000 cc and turbo over 927cc and up to 1620cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally3 homologuées à partir du 01/01/2021 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2026 – <i>Group Rally3 cars homologated from 01/01/2021 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260</i>
RC4	Rally4 (atmo entre 1390 cm ³ et 2000 cm ³ et turbo entre 927 cm ³ et 1333 cm ³) <i>Rally4 (atmo over 1390cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 927cc and up to 1333cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally4 homologuées à partir du 01/01/2019 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2026 – Voitures du Groupe R2 homologuées avant le 31/12/2018 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2018 – <i>Group Rally4 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260</i> – <i>Group R2 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260</i>
	R3 (atmo entre 1600 cm ³ et 2000 cm ³ et turbo entre 1067 cm ³ et 1333 cm ³) <i>R3 (atmo / over 1600cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe R homologuées avant le 31/12/2019 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2019 – <i>Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260</i>
	R3 (turbo jusqu'à 1620 cm ³ / nominal) <i>R3 (turbo / up to 1620cc / nominal)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe R homologuées avant le 31/12/2019 et conformes à l'Art. 260D de l'Annexe J 2019 – <i>Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260D</i>
RC5	Rally5 (atmo jusqu'à 1600 cm ³ et turbo jusqu'à 1333 cm ³) <i>Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1333cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally5 homologuées à partir du 01/01/2019 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2026 – <i>Group Rally5 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260</i>
	Rally5-Kit (atmo ou turbo jusqu'à 1600 cm ³) <i>Rally5-Kit (atmo or turbo up to 1600cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally5-Kit homologuées à partir du 01/01/2024 et conformes à l'Art. 260B de l'Annexe J 2026 – <i>Group Rally5-Kit cars homologated from 01/01/2024 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260B</i>
	Rally5 (atmo jusqu'à 1600 cm ³ et turbo jusqu'à 1067 cm ³) <i>Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1067cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe R1 homologuées avant le 31/12/2018 et conformes à l'Art. 260 de l'Annexe J 2018 – <i>Group R1 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260</i>
RC6	Rally6 (turbo jusqu'à 1620 cm ³ / atmo jusqu'à 2000 cm ³) <i>Rally6 (turbo up to 1620cc / atmo up to 2000cc)</i>	– Voitures du Groupe Rally6 homologuées à partir du 01/01/2026 (réglementation en cours d'élaboration) – <i>Group Rally6 cars homologated from 01/01/2026 (regulations currently being developed)</i>
SSV	T3, T4 (Cross country cars) confirming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 281. 282. 283. And 286A are eligible to compete in the Merc Rallies	
NAT	– Voitures homologuées par une ASN, conformes à l'Art. 253 de l'Annexe J 2026 et approuvées par la FIA après soumission du formulaire d'acceptation de voiture nationale/régionale – <i>Cars homologated by an ASN, complying with 2026 Appendix J, Art. 2026 and approved by the FIA after submission of the national/regional car acceptance form.</i>	



4.4 ENTRY FEES / ENTRY PACKAGES FOR PRIVATE COMPETITORS

With the optional advertising proposed by the Organizer (per entry):

- Private entrant 350 OMR
- Legal entrant 500 OMR

Without the optional advertising proposed by the Organizer (per entry):

- Private entrant 700 OMR
- Legal entrant 1000 OMR

Definitions:

- Private Entrant: the entrant license is in the name of one of the crew members who enters his/her own car and competes under his/her own name.
- Legal Entrant: ASN, company, team or a sporting association holding a legal entrant license that enters one or more cars.
- A person holding an entrant license, but who is not a crew member and who enters one or more cars.
- Omani: the first driver must be a holder of Omani passport and the entry must be in his/her name.

Entry packages:

Item	
Service Vehicle Plates	1
Auxiliary Vehicle Plates	1
Supplementary Regulations	DNB
Road Book Set	1 + Digital
Rally Guide	DNB
Route Maps Kml/Kmz	Digital
Official Program	DNB
Results	DNB
Competitor Passes / Wrist bands	2
Team Passes / Wrist bands	6



Guest Passes / Wrist bands	4
Service Park Area	10 x 15m

4.5 PAYMENT DETAILS

The entry fees must be paid by bank transfer and to reach the Organizers bank account no later than Thursday, January 9th, 2026. All bank charges must be paid by the sender.

Bank Name:

ACCOUNT NAME: OMAN AUTOMOBILE

BANK: NATIONAL BANK OF OMAN (NBO)

BRANCH: MOE (MINISTRY OF EDUCATION)

ACCOUNT TYPE: Current Account

ACCOUNT NUMBER: 1024542910002

SWIFT CODE: NBOMOMRXXX

ACCOUNT CURRENCY: OMR

4.6 REFUNDS

The entry fees will be refunded in full:

- To candidates whose entry has not been accepted.
- In the case of the rally not taking place.
- In the case of force majeure for the competitor, after investigation by the Stewards.

5 INSURANCE

5.1 TYPE OF INSURANCE INCLUDED IN THE ENTRY FEES

The Entry Fees include the insurance premium, which guarantees the Competitors cover for civil liability towards third parties (Public Liability). The indemnity provided under this insurance is Euro 228,000 the equivalent of OMR 100,000. as total minimum liability cover. This insurance will commence from the beginning of the Rally until the end of the Event or up to the moment of permanent retirement, exclusion or disqualification. The insurance covers competitor cars on special stages only.

5.2 EXCLUSION OF COVER

The service vehicles and cars used for reconnaissance, even those bearing special plates issued by the Organizers, are not covered by the insurance policy of the rally; hence, their insurance policies remain the sole responsibility of the owner.



5.3 ADDITIONAL INSURANCE

In addition to the insurance covered by the Organizer, all Competitors are required to provide their own insurance covering all cars used in Oman to cover civil liability towards third parties for the entire duration of their visit in the case of foreign crews, or permanent cover in the case of Omani residents. This is to cover competitors while they are on the road sections, or on public roads or highways.

5.4 PROOF OF INSURANCE

All Competitors must be able to show the insurance papers at the Administrative Checks. The burden of proof of valid insurance rests solely on the competitor.

6 ADVERTISING AND IDENTIFICATION

6.1 RESTRICTIONS ON ADVERTISING

In accordance with Article 29.1 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations; competitors are allowed to affix any kind of advertising to their cars, if:

- It is authorized by the national laws and the FIA regulations.
- It is not likely to cause offense.
- It is not political or religious in nature.
- It respects the regulations on competition numbers.
- It does not interfere with the crew's vision through the windows.
- It complies with the provisions of Art. 10.6.2 of the Code.

6.2 NATIONAL RESTRICTIONS ON ADVERTISING

- Tobacco: Advertising of tobacco, tobacco products and imitations, as well as smokers-requisites is Forbidden according to the Omani legislation on cars, competition/service equipment and on the Team members-outfits.
- Alcohol: Advertising of alcoholic beverages is strongly restricted by law and not allowed on competing cars, service cars, equipment and clothes.

6.3 IDENTIFICATION NUMBERS & COMPULSORY ADVERTISING

Competition Numbers, Rally Plates and Advertising will be provided by the Organizer and must be affixed as specific in accordance with Appendix 3 these Supplementary Regulations before Scrutineering.

The text of the obligatory Organizer advertising is "Oman International Rally 2026"

6.4 OPTIONAL ADVERTISING

Space may also be required For the Organizer's Optional Advertising. The text will be announced to Competitors in a Bulletin.

6.5 RALLY PLATES

6.5.1 The Organizer will provide each crew with the number identification, which must be affixed to their car in the stated positions prior to Scrutineering and must be visible for the duration of the rally. Details



concerning the numbers and rally plates are available in Article 27 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations.

6.5.2 Any advertising within this identification is obligatory and may not be refused by the competitors. No modifications are allowed to these panels.

7 TYRES

7.1 COMPLIANCE

All tyres must comply with Article 13 and Variation V3 of the 2026 FIA RRSR.

7.1.1 Quantities: In addition to complying with the 2026 FIA RRSR, the following quantities and type of tyre are confirmed for use:

- For competitors entered with RC2 & RGT cars, a maximum of 16 tyres may be used during the rally.
- For competitors entered with RC3, RC4, RC5 and RC6 cars, NAT cars or other cars, a maximum of 12 tyres may be used during the rally.
- For competitors entered with RC3, RC4, RC5 and RC6 cars, NAT cars or other cars, a maximum of 12 tyres may be used during the rally.

7.2 RECONNAISSANCE TYRES

As per 2026 FIA RRSR, Art.35.2.b, Reconnaissance tyres are free.

8 FUEL - REFUELING

8.1 COMPLIANCE:

In accordance with article 61,62 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting regulations.

8.2 ORDERING PROCEDURE

N/A (The competitors are responsible to bring their own compliant fuel for the rally)

8.3 REFUELLING

8.3.1. Refuel Area at Service Park is available as per the road book **after TC0, TC1C, TC4C, TC7E and TC10C.**

Two Remote Refuel Area will be established as follows:

- Friday 23 January following SS2 & SS5 in AR'RISSAH [N24°27.967' E56°23.770'](#)
- Saturday 24 January following SS9 & SS12 in JIZZI [N24°20.056' E56°29.754'](#)

All competitors should only refuel at the refuelling area at the exit of the Service Park and at the areas for Refuelling only which are indicated in the Road Book. In these areas, any kind of servicing is prohibited. Maximum two team members shall be allowed to refuel the car, but shall not be allowed to do any other work on the car.

8.3.2. The responsibility for refuelling is incumbent on the competitor alone.

8.3.3. Engines must be switched off throughout the refuelling operation.

8.3.4. It is required that the crew remain outside the car during refuelling.



8.3.5. In order to access the Refuelling Area all personnel involved in refuelling operations must wear clothing that provides adequate protection against fire and includes at least: long trousers, long-sleeved top, closed shoes, gloves and a balaclava.

9 RECONNAISSANCE

9.1 PROCEDURE FOR REGISTRATION:

- a) Reconnaissance will be run in accordance with Article 35 & 35 (V3) of the 2026 FIA Middle East Rally Championship.
- b) Reconnaissance Cars must be in conformity with Article 35.1 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations, and must be covered by insurance as required by the traffic laws of Oman, no responsibility being imputable to the organizers.
- c) When registering for reconnaissance both crew members must be present to sign an indemnity and register the details of the reconnaissance car (spare recce car, if any), mobile telephone number and contact details of the place of residence Art.30.1, 2026 FIA RRSR.
- d) The two (2) identification numbers, given at the registration, shall be affixed to the reconnaissance car. One on the windscreen (top center) and the other on the right rear side window. They must be kept visible for the whole duration of the reconnaissance period. Any breach of this article will result in banning the concerned competitors from the reconnaissance.

9.1.1 COMMON REQUIREMENTS:

- The car must be painted in a single color, with no advertising, stickers, etc.
- Underbody protection is authorized (complying with the Group N regulations).
- Two additional road-homologated headlamps are authorized.
- The crew may use a “light” intercommunication system (without helmets).
- On-board navigation equipment may be fitted. Cars which conform to the following specifications may be used:

9.1.2 STANDARD CARS

Totally unmodified standard cars as offered for sale to the general public.

9.1.3 PRODUCTION CARS

- The engine shall be a series production engine (complying with the Group N regulations).
- The gearbox shall be a series production gearbox (complying with the Group N regulations).
- The exhaust shall be a series production exhaust with a maximum noise level within the permitted legal tolerances of the organizing country.
- Suspensions shall comply with the Group N regulations.
- The fitting of a steel safety roll bar complying with Articles 253-8.1 to 8.3 of Appendix J is authorized.
- Bucket seats in colors similar to those of the interior of the car are authorized.
- The rims are free within the limits of Appendix J, Group N.

9.2 RUNNING OF RECONNAISSANCE

9.2.1 TIMETABLE

Reconnaissance is taking place on Tuesday, January 20th and Wednesday, January 21st as per the program above in article 3 of the supplementary regulations.

9.2.2 RESPECT OF RECONNAISSANCE TIMETABLE

Only with the express authorization of the Clerk of the Course may any person connected with an entered crew travel on or over the route of a special stage of the rally (except on foot) from the publication of the rally itinerary until that special stage is terminated, open for public traffic and will no longer be used within the rally. The provisions of Art. 35.3 of the 2026 FIA regional regulations must nevertheless be respected.

The reconnaissance of a super special stage, if included in the competitive element of the rally, shall not be considered as part of the reconnaissance timetable.

As from the publication of the rally Itinerary any driver, or his co-driver, or any other team member who has entered or intends to enter a Championship rally and who wishes to drive on any road which is used as a special stage in that rally, may only do so after he has obtained the organizer's written permission. This shall not apply when the person is known to live in the area. Failure to respect this rule shall result in the driver being reported to the Stewards.

9.2.3 NUMBER OF PASSAGES

Each crew is limited to two passages on the special stage. During reconnaissance there shall be control marshals at the start and stop point of each special stage to record the number of passages. Crews will only be permitted to enter and leave special stages through the start and finish controls. The crew must not under any circumstances drive in a direction opposite to that of the rally road book.

9.2.4 SPEED DURING RECONNAISSANCE

- The maximum speed during reconnaissance in special stages is 80km/h.
 - It is emphasized that reconnaissance is not a practice run. The competitors must drive in a manner that does not endanger or cause inconvenience to traffic or people living within and near the stages. The traffic laws of Oman must be strictly complied with as well as the safety and rights of other road users should be respected.
- a) Maximum speed limit of 80 km/h during reconnaissance is imposed on all special stages, unless another speed limit is indicated by traffic signs. In compliance with Article 34.2.2 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations, speeding during reconnaissance will incur a fine applied by the clerk of the course as follows:
- €25 per km per hour over the speed limit. The amount of this fine will be unaltered by any fine imposed by the police. The fine will be doubled in case of a second offence committed during reconnaissance in the same rally.
- b) Other traffic infringements during reconnaissance will incur a penalty at the discretion of the Stewards. A monitoring system of the speed and race car position during reconnaissance, by means of GPS-GSM tracking apparatus, will be used. The fitting of these tracking units will take place on Tuesday, January 20th 2026, during the collection of road-books and the reconnaissance time cards. The Reconnaissance GPS tracking system has to be used at all time during reconnaissance. It is the competitors' obligation to provide their reconnaissance vehicles with the necessary power source required for the GPS tracking system.

9.2.5 NUMBER OF PERSONS

During each passage through a special stage, only the crew is permitted in the car.

9.2.6 COMPETITORS BRIEFING

- As per Article 34.1.2 RRSR. of the 2026 FIA regulations, a mandatory briefing will be given by the clerk of the course, his deputy or an appointed official between the reconnaissance and before the start of the rally. The attendance of at least one crew member is compulsory. Team representative may attend the briefing too.
- The briefing will target specific points of the supplementary regulations relating to the organization of the rally, give any clarification concerning the interpretation of the regulations, and remind the drivers of the safety provisions, either specific and/or general. Team managers may attend the meeting.
- The briefing will take place as per article 3 “program” of the supplementary regulations.
- A fine of € 100 or the equivalent in local currency is imposed on any crew that does not attend the briefing.

9.3 LOCATION OF COLLECTION OF SPEED CONTROL CHECKING DEVICES

Location: Rally HQ

Time: Tuesday, January 20th 2026, during Recce registration starting 8:00AM

10 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

10.1 DOCUMENTS TO BE PRESENTED

At the Administrative Checks, the following original and valid documents will be checked:

	Document Type
1	Rally Car documents and Registration papers
2	Rally Car Insurance cover certificate
3	Valid Driving License for each Crew Member
4	Competitor's License
5	FIA International Competition License for Entrant and both Drivers
6	ASN authorization for foreign Competitors (if entry form is not stamped)
7	Permission to use the vehicle (where the owner is not a crew member)
8	Completion and Correctness of all details on the entry form including signing of the form.
9	Driver declarations and undertakings forms, signed by the driver and Co-driver.
10	Driver & Co-driver passports or identification cards
11	Copy of the FIA Homologation form for the car entered.
12	Copy of the Technical Passport for Rally2 and RGT cars.

10.2 TIMETABLE

The Administrative Checks will take place as per article 3 of the supplementary regulations on Tuesday 20 January starting 8:00AM



An individual time schedule will be published by bulletin on the Rally official noticeboard on Monday, 19th January before 15:00 hrs.

As per article 30.1 of the 2026 FIA RRSR, It is **mandatory for driver and co-driver** to attend the admin checks.

Any Competitor reporting outside their time limits for Administrative Checks, the Competitor will be penalized €15 per minute to maximum of 15 minutes. Thereafter, the Competitor will be reported to the Stewards who may apply penalties at their discretion.

11 SCRUTINEERING

11.1 VENUE AND TIMETABLE

- Venue: Royal Oman Police Regional Vehicles Inspection area - Sohar.
- Timetable: as per article 3 of the supplementary regulations. Cars Individual times will be announced by bulletin on DNB.
- Coordinates: **24° 20.493'N, 56° 41.950'E**

<https://maps.app.goo.gl/eiGFBTYMKJzUzXkKA>

Cars may be presented at Scrutineering by an official representative of the Team.

Any Competitor representative reporting outside their time limits for Scrutineering, will be penalized €15 per minute to maximum of 15 minutes. Thereafter, the Competitor will be reported to the Stewards who may apply penalties at their discretion.

Cars must be presented at scrutineering with the competition numbers, rally plates and all advertising (compulsory and optional) affixed.

Please note, that the car must be accepted in scrutineering before entering Shakedown.

11.2 MUD FLAPS

Fitting of transversal mud flaps is Mandatory, provided they comply with Appendix J, Article 252.7.7.

11.3 WINDOWS/NETS

The use of silvered/tinted windows is permitted as per Appendix J Article 253.11.

11.4 DRIVER'S SAFETY EQUIPMENT

At Scrutineering, competitors must produce all items of clothing including helmets and the head restraint (FHR device) intended to be used.

In reference to Article 53.2.2 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rallies Sporting Regulations, each competing car shall carry a red "SOS" sign and on the reverse a green "OK" signs measuring at least 42 cm x 29.7 cm (A3). Must carry a red reflective triangle in compliance with Art. 53.2.3 of the 2026 FIA RRSR

After Scrutineering, if a car is found not to comply with the technical and/or safety regulations, the Panel of Stewards may set a deadline before which the car must be made to comply, or they may refuse the start.

For more information, competitors should refer to Appendix 5 of the Supplementary Regulation.

11.5 NOISE LEVEL IN SPECIAL STAGES

or safety reasons, on special stages only, the possibility of bypassing the exhaust silencer is recommended, provided that the exit of the exhaust gases is in conformity with Appendix J and, for cars fitted with a catalytic converter that the gases themselves pass through this catalytic converter. At any time on the road sections, the noise level must be in conformity with Appendix J.

11.6 ON-BOARD CAMERA

Request form is available on Sportity, it must be submitted to Rally@omanauto.org no later than Tuesday 13th January 2026.

In accordance with Art. 18.1 of the 2026 FIA RRSR

- If required by the FIA, the organiser or Championship Promoter (if applicable), the competition car must carry an on-board camera or other recording device. This will be fitted by the organiser or Championship Promoter according to Art. 253-2 of Appendix J and approved by the scrutineer.
- The competitor of any car which carries any personal on-board camera must have the prior agreement of the organiser or Championship Promoter (if any). Authorised cameras will be identified by an adhesive decal and must be mounted in the car at the time of scrutineering.
- Competitors wishing to use any personal camera must supply the following information to the organiser or Championship Promoter (if any) at least one week before the start of reconnaissance: competitor's name, car number, competitor's address, use of footage and brand and model name of the device(s) used.
- With the prior consent of the competitor, the Clerk of the Course may authorise the official camera supplier representatives to enter the overnight Parc Fermé to maintain the onboard cameras on condition that they are accompanied by a marshal or rally official.

11.7 INSTALLATION OF SAFETY TRACKING SYSTEM

In compliance with Article 18.2 of the 2026 FIA Regional Rally Sporting Regulations 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. Any attempt to tamper with or to interfere with the data logging devices fitted to competing cars, or any device that fails to record a trace due to interference by the Crew will be reported to the Stewards who may impose a penalty that may go as far as disqualification. All competing cars must follow the rally route as this is determined by the organizer and outlined in the Road Book. No deviation is allowed and no tolerance from the rally route is permitted. In open terrain rallies, the exact route of all special stages must clearly be marked to avoid any possibility of straying, accidental or otherwise. The use of the exact rally route must be also checked by the marshals (Art.53.6 FIA 2026 RRSR V3).

- All competitors must make provision in their cars for the installation of the tracking system. **Installation instructions will be provided in Rally Guide.** The correct functioning and installation of the equipment will be checked at Scrutineering.
- A refundable deposit of €300, will be required from all competing cars. The deposit will be refunded upon returning the equipment.
- Should a crew retire, the equipment must be returned immediately to the supplier of the units. The units may be removed in the final Parc Fermé, so the cars must not be locked.

12 OTHER PROCEDURES

12.1 CEREMONIAL START

- The Ceremonial Start will take place as per the program, article 3 of the supplementary regulations, it is mandatory to attend by all competitors.
- A Ceremonial start Holding Area will be setup on-site, Competitors MUST enter the Holding Area as per article 3 of the supplementary regulations.
- No Timecards will be given, competitors will follow marshal's instructions.
- A representative of the team may deliver the car to the holding area (lined up at service park exit).
- Competitors reporting late to the Ceremonial start will be penalized with €30 per minute or the equivalent in local currency up to a maximum of 15 minutes. Thereafter, they will be reported to the Stewards who may apply penalties at their discretion.
- Cars will take the ramp at 2 (two) minutes intervals in an descending numerical order, following the ceremonial start of the rally, competitors, or dedicated team member can take the car Pre-Start Holding Area (is the parc ferme at the end of each day).
- All cars authorized to take the start with their crews must be driven to the Starting Zone (Lined up in service area exit) at any time between 14:00-14:30 hours on Thursday 22nd January 2026 at Sohar Entertainment Center.

12.2 ELECTRONIC START PROCEDURE

The timekeeping in the special stages will be carried out to the 1/10th of a second.

In accordance with Art. 48.2 of the 2025 FIA RRSR, the start of the special stages will be carried out by an electronic sequential countdown system. It will be placed between 2 and 5 meters ahead of the starting line, counting down by seconds and clearly visible to the crew from the start position.

This system is electronically coupled to a start line detection device that records any situation where a car leaves the start line ahead of the correct signal. This system may also be synchronised with a starting lights system. The system description is included in Appendix VI hereafter.

Should the said starting light panel fail to function the start will be given in accordance with Art. 48.3 of the 2025 FIA RRSR.

12.3 FINISH PROCEDURE

- The rally will finish at TC 13C " Service OUT / Finish Holding IN" at Sohar Entertainment Center
- The Podium Ceremony will be held at 18:30 at the Sohar Entertainment Centre.
- Cars will enter the pre-ceremonial finish podium from 17:30hrs till 18:00hrs.
- Competitors shall follow the Officials / Marshals directions to the Finish Ramp
- Competitors are reminded that attendance at the finish ceremony and prize giving is compulsory for all classified crews and crew members must wear their approved overalls.
- After clearing the finish ramp, the crews shall drive their cars, as instructed by the officials / marshals to the Final Parc Fermé and/or Final Scrutineering.
- Each crew may nominate a representative, duly assigned in writing, to take delivery of the car out of the Final Parc Fermé.

12.4 PERMITTED EARLY CHECK IN

Crews may check in early without incurring a penalty at the following controls:

TC1A,
TC7B,
TC7C,
TC13C.

12.5 SPECIAL PROCEDURES:

12.5.1 START OF SECTION 1 PROCEDURE:

- All cars must Line in queue holding area at service park before 15:30 hrs, on Thursday 22nd of January.
- The first car will start from “TC0 OUT – Service Area line holding” on Thursday 22nd January at 16:00 hrs. **Tyre marking for SSS1 will take place in the Service Park holding area before TC0.**

12.5.2 START INTERVALS:

- All cars will start at 3 **minutes** intervals, except for the ceremonial start.

12.5.3 SUPER SPECIAL STAGE:

- The Sohar SSS 1 super special stage will be run in **reverse** order, the competitors will run individually on the super special stage as per their official designated time in a descending numerical sequence, from last to first.
- The organizers reserve the right to seed the competing vehicles at their own discretion, on grounds of public and media interest.
- The maximum time allowed to complete section 1 from TC1 will be 15 minutes.
- Any crew who fails achieving section 1 within the maximum time allowed or does not start SS1, will be subject to the penalties as per Art. 54.2 of the 2026 FIA RRSR.
- If the running of this Super Special Stage is interrupted, a red flag will be displayed to the crews, who must immediately reduce speed and follow the marshals' instructions. Failing to comply with this rule will entail a penalty at the discretion of the Stewards.

12.5.4 TIME CARDS DURING THE RALLY:

The Time cards will be issued all together at administrative checks, as per 2026 FIA RRSR Appendix 2 Art. 6.1 and collected at the end of each section.

When retiring, the crew are obliged to hand their timecard either to the next time control or otherwise to the Sweeper car.

12.5.5 RE-START AFTER RETIREMENT:

- Re-Start after Retirement regulations will be carried out in compliance with Article 54 of the 2026 RRSR.

12.5.6 PERSONNEL ALLOWED IN THE PARC FERME:

- As per Art. 63.2.1 FIA RRSR 2026, the driver must stop the engine and the crew must leave the parc ferme with the car remaining unlocked (doors, bonnet and boot). Nobody except the officials of the rally carrying out a specific function, is allowed in the parc ferme.

12.5.7 SHAKEDOWN (Art. 3 Programme)

As per new Art. 36 of RRSR 2026 and MERC section Art. 36.1 Shakedown stage will be run in OIR2026.



- Any passenger on board the car, who is not entered for the rally must have signed a promoter or Asn disclaimer As per Art. 36.3 FIA RRSR 2026, the passenger must wear all safety equipment in complex of Appendix L .
- A Shakedown Service Area will be held close to the Start of shakedown.

12.6 OFFICIAL TIME USED DURING THE RALLY

- Official time throughout the entire Rally will be that of GPS (UTC time + offset to local time).
- Special stages will be timed to the elapsed tenths of a second.

12.7 POWER STAGE

In accordance with Art. 50 of the 2026 FIA RRSR and the 2026 FIA RRSR V3 – Middle East Rally Championship, SS13 Rahab 2 will be the Power Stage.

12.8 FLEXI SERVICE

Flexi service will be carried out in compliance with art. 59 of the 2026 FIA RRSR

13 IDENTIFICATION OF OFFICIALS

Officials will be identified as follows:

Safety Marshals	Orange
Safety Officers	Orange with white stripe and text
Post Chiefs	Blue with white stripe and text
Media	Green
Stage Commanders	Red with text
Competitor Relations Officers	Red jacket or red tabard
Medical	White
Radio Marshals	Yellow with blue mark
Red Flag Marshal	Bright orange with Black radio point symbol
Scrutineers	Black



14 PRIZES

14.1 PRIZE GIVING

The prize giving will take place on the Podium at the finish of the Event as per article 3 of the supplementary regulations.

14.2 PRIZES

▪ General Classification

1 st Overall	Two trophies
2 nd Overall	Two trophies
3 rd Overall	Two trophies
1 st FIA MERC 2	Two trophies
1 st FIA MERC 3	Two trophies
1 st FIA MERC 4	Two trophies
FIA Junior MERC for Drivers (Less than 26 years old on 1/1/2026)	One trophy
FIA Master MERC for Drivers (Over 50 years old on 1/1/2026)	One trophy
1 st Omani Driver/Co-driver	Two Trophies
Class winner in each category	Two Trophies
1 st Ladies Cup Drivers/Co-drivers	Two Trophies

*Prizes will be awarded for National Rallies in line with National Sprint Rallies regulations.

15 FINAL CHECKS AND PROTESTS

15.1 FINAL CHECKS

Final Checks will take place as per the program. Article 3 of the supplementary regulations.

Cars subject to Final Checks (decision by the Stewards and announced to the competitor concerned at the finish TC) must have one representative of the entrant as well as mechanics (in case of dismantling) present at the Final Checks.

15.2 PROTEST FEES

A) IN COMPLIANCE WITH ARTICLE 65.2 OF THE 2026 FIA REGIONAL RALLY SPORTING REGULATIONS, ALL PROTESTS MUST BE LODGED IN WRITING AND HANDED TO THE CLERK OF THE COURSE TOGETHER WITH THE PROTEST DEPOSIT OF AN AMOUNT OF 1000 Euro (OR THE EQUIVILANT IN US DOLLARS AT THE RATE OF THE DAY). THIS PROTEST DEPOSIT SHALL NOT BE RETURNED IF THE PROTEST IS JUDGED UNFOUNDED. IF THE PROTEST REQUIRES THE DISMANTLING AND THE RE-ASSEMBLY OF A DIFFERENT PART OF A CAR, THE CLAIMANT MUST PAY AN ADDITIONAL DEPOSIT:

- I. IF THE PROTEST INVOLVES A CLEARLY DEFINED PART OF THE CAR (ENGINE, TRANSMISSION, STEERING, BREAKING SYSTEM, ELECTRICAL INSTALLATION, BODYWORK, ETC.): 2000 Euro PER EACH.
- II. PROTESTS INVOLVING THE WHOLE VEHICLE ARE INADMISSIBLE.

B) THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE WORK AND BY THE TRANSPORT OF THE VEHICLE SHALL BE BORNE BY THE CLAIMANT IF THE PROTEST IS UNFOUNDED, OR BY THE COMPETITOR AGAINST WHOM THE PROTEST IS LODGED IF THE CLAIM IS FOUNDED.



C) IF THE CLAIM IS UNFOUNDED, AND THE EXPENSES INCURRED BY THE PROTEST (SCRUTINEERING, TRANSPORT, ETC.) ARE HIGHER THAN THE GUARANTEE DEPOSIT, THE DIFFERENCE SHALL BE BORNE BY THE CLAIMANT. CONVERSELY, IF THE EXPENSES ARE LESS, THE DIFFERENCE SHALL BE RETURNED TO HIM.

15.3 APPEAL FEES

The sum of the international appeal deposit (FIA) €3000 (Euros)

15.4 PAYMENT OF FINES

Fines are paid in Euros ONLY. Fines can be paid:

- Electronically by online payment through the following link: <https://fiafines.fia.com>
- By money transfer to the FIA on the below bank account.

Amount of fine should be complete as it reaches the FIA (i.e. commissions/charges paid at source):

Name : FIA

Bank : Crédit du Nord, 75008 Paris, France

Account N°: 30076 02020 25368000200-34

IBAN: FR 76 3007 6020 2026 3680 0020 034

Swift Code: NORD FR PP

Please specify:

- MERC Fine
- Name of the Rally.
- Competitor No.
- Copy of the money transfer receipt to be faxed/emailed as soon as the fine is paid to:

e-mail: Rally@fia.com



16 APPENDIX 1 - ITINERARY

2026 OMAN INTERNATIONAL RALLY

(11 Dec 2025)

Shakedown							Thursday, January 22 nd , 2026	
TC	LOCATION	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target Time	1st Car Due	Shakedown	
	Service OUT (Sohar Entertainment Center)							
	Shakedown Start		8.70	8.70		9:00		
SD	Shakedown Stage Sohar	5.50						
	SD Remote Service Area(Sohar Expressway)		3.75	9.25				
Totals		5.50	12.45	17.95				
Ceremonial Start								
	Pre-Ceremonial Holding Area IN (Sohar Entertainment Center)					14:00		
	Ceremonial Start (Sohar Entertainment Center)					15:15		
Start Leg 1 (Section 1)							Thursday, January 22 nd , 2026	
0	Start Leg1 Pre-start Holding Area OUT /SOHAR Refuel / Tyre Marking (Tyre marking at service)					16:00	Section 1	
RA 1	Refuel, All Competitors Distance To Next Refuel	(2.52)	(3.37)	(5.89)				
1			1.70	1.70	0:10	16:10		
SS1	SOHAR SSS 1	2.52				16:13		
1A*	Parc Ferme IN* (Sohar Entertainment Center)		1.67	4.19	0:15	16:28		
Overnight Regroup								
Thursday Totals		2.52	3.37	5.89				
<i>* Early arrival is permitted</i>			Sunrise	06:57	Sunset	17.52		



2026 OMAN INTERNATIONAL RALLY

(11 Dec 2025)

Re-Start Leg 1 (Section 2, 3)

Friday, January 23rd, 2026

TC	LOCATION	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target Time	1st Car Due
1B	Parc Ferme OUT / Service A IN					8:00
	Service A (Sohar Entertainment Center)				0:15	
1C	Service A OUT / Refuel / Tyre Marking					8:15
RA 2	Refuel, All Competitors Distance To Next Refuel	(15.42)	(57.92)	(73.34)		
2			45.40	45.40	0:55	9:10
SS2	Ar Rusays 1	15.42				9:13
RA 3	Remote Refuel, All Competitors (Ar Rassah) Distance To Next Refuel	(33.12)	(50.07)	(83.19)		
3			13.00	28.42	0:40	9:53
SS3	Ar Rassah 1	19.15				9:56
4			12.82	31.97	0:40	10:36
SS4	Al Uwaynah 1	13.97				10:39
4A	Regrouping & Technical Zone IN		36.77	50.74	1:01	11:40
4B	Regrouping OUT / Service B IN				00:10	11:50
	Service B (Sohar Entertainment Center)	(48.54)	(107.99)	(156.53)	0:30	
4C	Service B OUT / Refuel / Tyre Marking					12:20
RA 4	Refuel, All Competitors Distance To Next Refuel	(15.42)	(57.92)	(73.34)		
5			45.40	45.40	0:55	13:15
SS5	Ar Rusays 2	15.42				13:18
RA 5	Remote Refuel, All Competitors (Ar Rassah) Distance To Next Refuel	(33.12)	(50.07)	(83.19)		
6			13.00	28.42	0:40	13:58
SS6	Ar Rassah 2	19.15				14:01
7			12.82	31.97	0:40	14:41
SS7	Al Uwaynah 2	13.97				14:44
7A	Technical Zone IN		36.77	50.74	1:01	15:45
7B*	Technical Zone OUT / Flexi-Service C IN			(min)	00:10	
	Flexi-Service C (Sohar Entertainment Center)	(48.54)	(107.99)	(156.53)	0:45	
7C*	Flexi-Service C Out / Overnight Parc Ferme IN*					

All cars must be returned to Parc Ferme no later than

17:45

Friday Totals	97.08	215.98	313.06
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Leg 1 Totals	99.60	219.35	318.95
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* Early arrival is permitted

Sunrise	06:57	Sunset	17.52
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Section 2

Section 3



Start Leg 2 (Section 4, 5, 6)

Saturday, January 24th, 2026

TC	LOCATION	SS dist.	Liaison dist.	Total dist.	Target Time	1st Car Due
7D	Parc Ferme OUT / Service D IN					7:30
	Service D (Sohar Entertainment Center)				0:15	
7E	Service D OUT / Refuel / Tyre Marking					7:45
RA 6	Refuel, All Competitors Distance To Next Refuel	(39.06)	(49.11)	(88.17)		
8			44.19	44.19	0:55	8:40
SS8	Al Akak 1	25.25				8:43
9			3.51	28.76	0:35	9:18
SS9	Yanboa 1	13.81				9:21
RA 7	Remote Refuel, All Competitors (Al Madik) Distance To Next Refuel	(18.86)	(63.93)	(82.79)		
10			24.90	38.71	1:00	10:21
SS10	Rahab 1	18.86				10:24
10A	Regrouping & Technical Zone IN		39.95	58.81	1:05	11:29
10B	Regrouping OUT / Service E IN				00:10	11:39
	Service E (Sohar Entertainment Center)	(57.92)	(112.55)	(170.47)	0:30	
10C	Service E OUT / Refuel / Tyre Marking					12:09
RA 8	Refuel, All Competitors Distance To Next Refuel	(39.06)	(49.11)	(88.17)		
11			44.19	44.19	0:55	13:04
SS11	Al Akak 2	25.25				13:07
12			3.51	28.76	0:35	13:42
SS12	Yanboa 2	13.81				13:45
RA 9	Remote Refuel, All Competitors (Jizzi Sagha) Distance To Next Refuel	(18.86)	(63.93)	(82.79)		
12A	Regrouping IN		1.62	15.43	0:25	14:10
	Regrouping (Jizzi Sagha)	(39.06)	(49.32)	(88.38)	0:30	
12B	Regrouping OUT					14:40
13			23.11	23.11	0:35	15:15
SS13	Rahab 2 (Power Stage)	18.86				15:18
13A	Technical Zone IN		39.95	58.81	1:10	16:28
13B	Technical Zone OUT / Service F IN			(min)	00:10	16:38
	Service F (Sohar Entertainment Center)	(57.92)	(112.38)	(170.3)	0:20	
13C*	Holding IN (Sohar Entertainment Center) Finish of Rally					16:58
	Ceremonial Podium Finish					18:30

Section 4

Section 5

Section 6

Saturday Totals **115.84 224.93 340.77**

TOTALS OF THE RALLY				
	SS	Liaison	Total	%**
Thursday & Friday, January, 22 nd -23 rd				
Sections 1, 2 & 3 - 7 SS	99.60	219.35	318.95	31.23%
Saturday, January 24 th				
Sections 4, 5 & 6 - 6 SS	115.84	224.93	340.77	33.99%
Total 13 Special Stages	215.44	444.28	659.72	32.66%
* Early arrival is permitted	Sunrise	06:57	Sunset	17:52

17 APPENDIX 2 – RECONNAISSANCE SCHEDULE

Reconnaissance will take place according to the following schedule:

Reconnaissance Schedule Tuesday 20 th January 2026					Day one
Stage		Time permitted		SS Km	Total SS Km
Ar Rusays	SS 2/5	8:00	16:00	15.42	28.42
Ar Rassah	SS 3/6	8:00	16:00	19.15	31.97
Al Uwaynah	SS 4/7	8:00	16:00	13.97	50.74

Reconnaissance Schedule Wednesday 21 st January 2026					Day two
Stage		Time permitted		SS Km	Total SS Km
Al Akak	SS 8/11	8:00	16:00	25.25	28.76
Yanboa	SS 9/12	8:00	16:00	13.81	38.71
Rahab	SS 10/13	8:00	16:00	18.86	58.81
Shakedown Stage		8:00	12:00	5.50	9.21

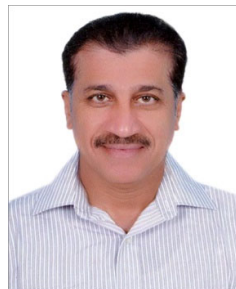
*Reconnaissance of the SSS 1 will be on Thursday 22nd January 2026 at 12:30, according to Art. 3 Programme of the rally.

18 APPENDIX 3 – COMPETITORS RELATIONS OFFICERS



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The Competitors' Relations Officers will be easily identified by his official shirt with "C.R.O." in large white letters weaved on his back. He will be introduced to the competitors at the Compulsory drivers' briefing.

PRESENCE DURING THE RALLY:

When the Secretariat is opened, a planning of the places and schedule where he will be on duties will be established. This planning will be posted on the Official Notice Board and will include:

- Presence at Documentation and Scrutineering
- At the Secretariat of the Meeting.
- At the Start of the Rally.
- At the Regrouping halts.
- At the Service Parks.
- Near the Parc Fermé(s) and the Finish (the latter being dependent on the rally timetable).

FUNCTION:

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

MEDIATION:

- Avoid forwarding questions to the stewards that could be solved satisfactorily by a clear explanation with the exception of protests (for example, clarify disputes over times, with the assistance of the time-keepers).
- The Competitor's Relations Officer shall refrain from saying anything or taking any action which might give rise to protests.



19 APPENDIX 4 – DECALS & POSITIONS OF SUPPLEMENTARY ADVERTISING

Identification Numbers and Compulsory Advertising

1. 2 x Door panel with Competition Number 67x17cm. The top of the plate shall be placed between 7 cm and 10 cm below the bottom window line. No other signage shall be placed within 10 cm of the plate.
2. Rear window panel 30x10cm. It shall be positioned at the bottom in the centre of the rear window in a central location. An adjacent area of 15x15cm containing a 14cm high Competition Number coloured in fluorescent orange (PMS 804). This must be visible from the rear at eye level.
3. **One number which shall be 15 cm high with a stroke width of 15 mm, coloured fluorescent orange (PMS 804), non-reflecting. This number shall be positioned in the upper corner of the windscreen, in the area reserved for competitor according to Art.29.5.1, on the co-driver's side**
4. Front rally plate 43x21.5cm.
5. Rear side windows:
2 x Competition Number 20 cm high with a stroke width of 25 mm coloured in fluorescent orange (PMS 804) shall be placed at the top of the rear side windows adjacent to the crew's name.

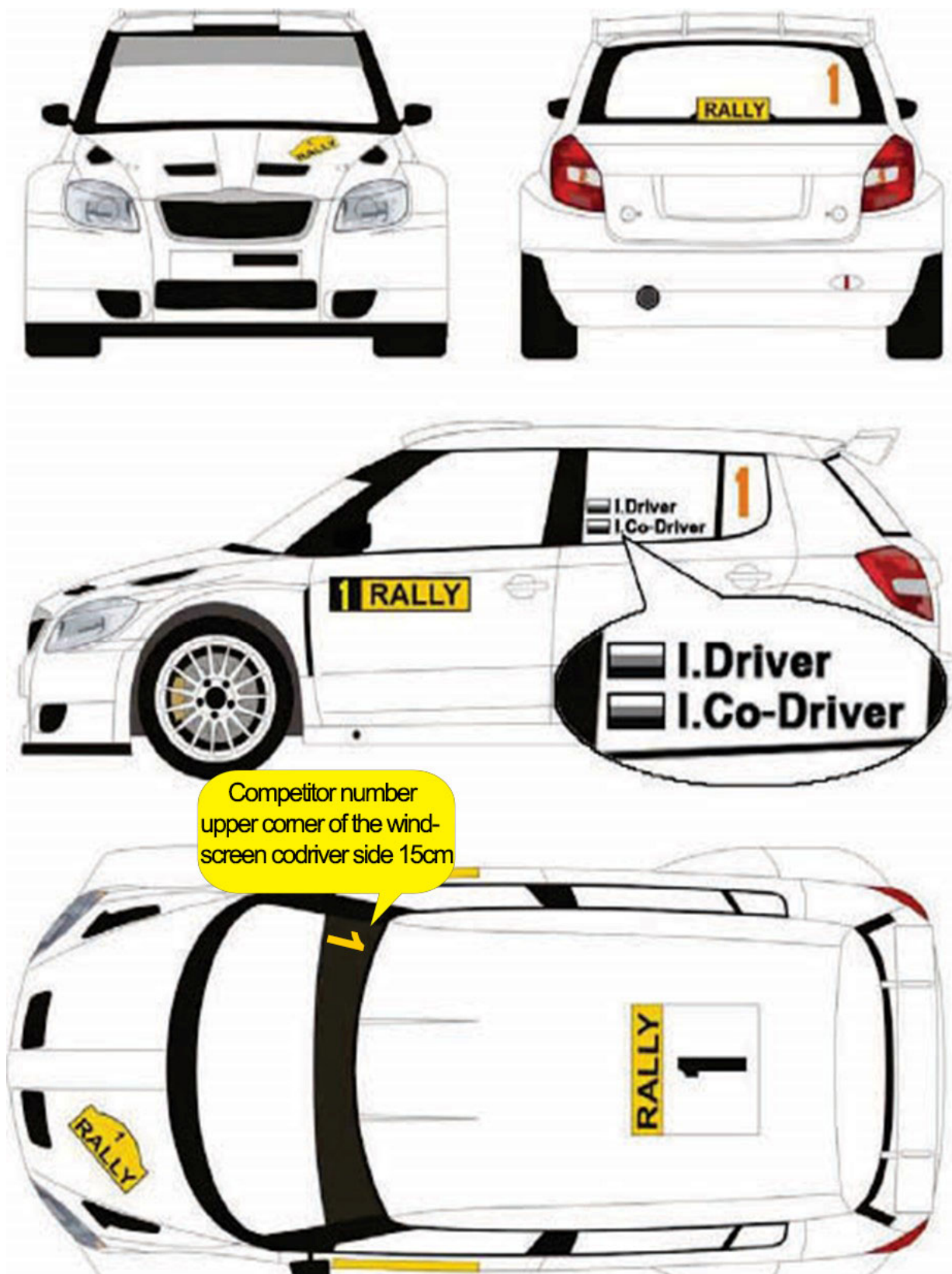
The first initial(s) and surname of both driver and co-driver, as well as the national flags of the country of the ASN from which they have obtained their licences, must appear on the rear side window on both sides of the car, adjacent to the competition number. The names must be:

- 5.1 In white Helvetica;
- 5.2 In upper case for the initial(s) and first letter of each name with the remainder in lower case;
- 5.3 6 cm high and with a stroke width of 1 cm;
- 5.4 The driver's name shall be the upper name on both sides of the car.

Organizers' Optional Advertising

5. 10cm high strip on the upper part of the windscreen, Article 16.7 of the International Sporting Code
6. One space on each Front Door of the vehicle (67cm x 17cm) situated 10cms beneath the Door Panel.

Supplementary Advertising: shall be defined by a Bulletin.





20 APPENDIX 5 – EXTRACTS FROM FIA APPENDIX L

20.1 CHAPTER III ARTICLE 1 “HELMETS”

When the use of an FHR, according to article 3 below, is mandatory, drivers competing in circuit competitions, hill climbs or rally special stages, registered on the FIA Calendar, must wear crash helmets homologated to one of the following standards:

- 8859 (Technical List N°49),
- 8859-2024 or 8859-2024-ABP (Technical List N°107)
- 8860-2010 (Technical List N°33)
- 8860-2018 or 8860-2018-ABP (Technical List N°69)

20.2 CHAPTER III ARTICLE 3 “FRONTAL HEAD RESTRAINT”

- The wearing in an international competition of any device intended to protect the head or neck and attached to the helmet is prohibited, unless the device has been homologated according to the FIA 8858 standard. Homologated FHR systems are listed in the FIA Technical List N° 29
- FHR systems must be worn only with FIA-approved items according to the following chart:

Helmet	Tether system (tether, tether end fitting and helmet anchorage)
FIA 8860 (Technical List N° 33 and 69)	FIA 8858 (Technical List N° 29)
FIA 8859 (Technical List N° 49)	

- The FHR device must be worn in accordance with: a) the “Guide and installation specification for HANS® devices in racing competition”, or b) the “Guide and installation specification for Hybrid & Hybrid Pro devices in racing competition”.

20.3 CHAPTER III ARTICLE 4 “SAFETY BELTS”

- Drivers must be properly restrained in their seat by safety belts in conformity with the specifications of Appendix J for the vehicle concerned, at all times during a competition when it is mobile on a circuit, pit lane, special stage or competition course.

20.4 CHAPTER III ARTICLE 5 “WEARING OF JEWELLERY”

- The wearing of jewelry such as but not limited to metal neck chains, bracelets... is prohibited during the competition.



20.5 CHAPTER III ARTICLE 2 “FLAME-RESISTANT CLOTHING”

- On special stages of rallies all drivers and co-drivers must wear overalls as well as gloves (optional for co-drivers), long underwear, a balaclava, socks and shoes homologated to the FIA 8856-2018 standard (technical List No 74). Embroidery sewn directly onto the overalls shall be stitched onto the outermost layer only, for better heat insulation. Backing material of badges and thread used for affixing them to the overalls must be flameproof.
- Substances which may circulate in any cooling system worn by a driver are restricted to water, or air at atmospheric pressure. Water systems must not require the saturation of a garment in order to function. For events taking place in extreme heat, it is recommended that a cooling system be used (connected, for example, to the underwear designed for that purpose and homologated according to the FIA 8856-2000 standard) or to the FIA 8856-2018 standard.

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FIA ISC and appendices: <https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/123>

FIA Technical Lists: <https://www.fia.com/regulation/category/761>

21 APPENDIX 6 – START LIGHT SEQUENCE



Start Clock with Time of day

Countdown of 30 seconds

Countdown of 30 seconds

Prepare to Start – Yellow Zone - Last 5 seconds to go

GO Signal: Count Down reaches 0 and light turns Green

GO Signal will remain during the allowed 20 seconds

Check the full Start Procedure on the video:

https://drive.google.com/file/d/1CQpZTJVijXg0QA9S-Q4ZuCZvmM-RxZ-a/view?usp=drive_link