



# Dubai International Baja

*8<sup>th</sup> to 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018*

## Regulations for the National Event for Motorcycle and Quads

### 1) Introduction

**1.1** In addition to the FIM International event taking place, a support event will run concurrently for National Spec Motorcycles and Quads (run to UAEMC standards and regulations).

Those running in the national category must comply with these regulations.

FIM Approval: **IMN 814/01, 815/01 (Women's), 816/01 (Quads) and 817/01 (Juniors)** FMN

Approval: **ATC/UAE - 2018 - 051**

**1.2:** The event is a Baja, with the competitors ranked in the order of how quickly they have completed both passings of the stages (subject to any penalties being added). Failure to complete the full distance of the rally will result in a competitor being considered to have not finished the rally (DNF).

### 2) Timetable

#### 2.1 OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES:

- Monday 15th January 2018

#### 2.2 CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:

- Saturday 24th February 2018

### **2.3 PUBLICATION OF ENTRY LIST:**

- Thursday 01st March 2018

### **2.4 ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS & COLLECTION OF MATERIAL AND DOCUMENTS:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Wednesday 07th March 2018, 09h00-16h00

### **2.5 OPENING OF MEDIA CENTRE AND MEDIA ACCREDITATION:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Wednesday 07th March 2018, 09h00

### **2.6 PRE-RALLY PRESS CONFERENCE:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Wednesday 07th March 2018, 11h30

### **2.7 DATE OF SCRUTINEERING OF THE VEHICLES, MARKING AND SEALING:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Wednesday 07th March 2018, 14h00-18:00
- Thursday 08th March 2018, 07h00-13h00

\*Timetable to be published on 01st March 2018\*

### **2.8 FIRST STEWARDS MEETING**

- Place: Stewards Room, Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 14h00

### **2.9 PUBLICATION OF START LIST FOR LEG ONE**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 15h00

### **2.10 COMPETITORS BRIEFING:**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 16:00

### **2.11 CEREMONIAL START:**

- Place: Exit of Service Park, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 17h00

### **2.12 PRE-EVENT COCKTAIL WELCOME FUNCTION:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai

- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 18h30 (following Ceremonial Start proceedings)

#### **2.13 ISSUING OF THE ROAD BOOK (LEG1):**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 17h00 – (when exiting Ceremonial Start)

#### **2.14 OFFICIAL START:**

- Place: Exit of Service Park, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Friday 09th March 2018, 07h30
- LEG ONE LENGTH – APPROXIMATELY 175 KM

#### **2.15 ISSUING OF THE ROAD BOOK (LEG2):**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Friday 09th March 2018, 16h30
- LEG TWO LENGTH – APPROXIMATELY 175 KM

#### **2.16 FINISH OF THE RALLY:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018, 18h30

#### **2.17 FINAL TECHNICAL CHECKS:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018 from 15h00

#### **2.18 FINAL STEWARDS MEETING**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018, 16h30

#### **2.19 PUBLICATION OF PROVISIONAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018, 17h00

#### **2.20 PUBLICATION OF OFFICIAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018, 17:30

#### **2.21 CEREMONIAL FINISH/PRIZE-GIVING:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Saturday 10th March 2018, 18:00

#### **2.22 OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD:**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai

- Time: Thursday 08th March 2018, 08:00, to Saturday 10th March 2018, 20:00

### 3) Organisation

#### 3.1: Organiser's name:

Automobile & Touring Club of the UAE (ATCUAE)

#### 3.2: Address and contact details

Dubai International Baja  
P.O. Box 5078  
Dubai, United Arab Emirates  
Email: [Entry@atcuae.ae](mailto:Entry@atcuae.ae)

Tel: + 971 4 2961122  
Fax: + 971 4 2961133

<http://www.dubaiinternationalbaja.com/>

#### 3.3 Organisation Committee

Chairman: Mohammed Ben Sulayem  
Members: Ronan Morgan  
John Spiller  
Adel Sarris  
Pierre Arries  
Atiq Hassan Mubarak

Event Director: Ronan Morgan  
Clerk of the Course: Thomas Langford  
Route Director: John Spiller  
Safety Officer: Chris Carruthers  
Chief Medical Officer: Dr. Sean Petherbridge  
Stewards: Matthew Norman (Chairman)  
Rod Smith  
Adel Kassim Sarris

### 4) Entry Procedure

**4.1:** Entries for the National Event must be submitted prior to 17:30 on Sunday 24<sup>th</sup> March 2018, and none will be accepted after that point. To enter, the form must be downloaded from the website ([HERE](#)) and emailed to [entry@atcuae.ae](mailto:entry@atcuae.ae).

**4.2:** Please note that entries for Motorcycles and Quads will be limited to a maximum of 100, who will be selected at the organisers discretion (preference will be given to those with previous International Cross-Country experience). Should the capacity be reached and entries be rejected, the organisers will make every effort to do so as early as possible. Should entries for the International event permit, the organisers retain the option to accept more than 100 Motorcycles and Quads at their own discretion.

**4.3:** The Organising Committee reserves the right to refuse the entry of a rider, without having to give the reasons of this refusal.

**4.4:** Any rider who is replaced by another one on his motorcycle during the race will be excluded from it, as well as the motorcycle of this last-mentioned rider.

**4.5:** The rider is responsible for the behavior of his mechanics, assistants, manager, press staff and any infringement to the regulations will be borne by the rider.

#### 4.6: Entry Fees

	MOTO / QUAD		
	UAE	GCC	Overseas
Tracking and Timing (Sporttraxx)	✓	✓	✓
Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF)	X	X	X
Public Liability Insurance	✓	✓	✓
3rd Party (off Highway) Insurance			
Repatriation Insurance	X	✓	✓
3rd Party (on Highway) Insurance	X	X	✓
Cocktail Welcome Function Ticket	1	1	1
Merchandise	1	1	1
Fuel	✓	✓	✓
Entry Fee (AED)	<b>3000</b>	<b>4000</b>	<b>5000</b>
<i>Entry Fee (USD)</i>	-	-	<b>1632</b>

\*Riders must provide their own GPS.

#### 4.7: Entry Payment

Note, for competitors to qualify for the UAE & GCC rates for the Entry Fees, the rider must hold a current Residence Visa of the UAE or another GCC country, of at least six months validity, i.e. the Residence Visa must be current and have been valid as of 1<sup>st</sup> September 2017, and the bike/quad must be registered in that country. i.e. A UAE based rider on a British registered bike is NOT eligible for the UAE rate.

#### Bank Transfer

***Automobile and Touring Club for United Arab Emirates LLC Dubai Branch***

Account Number: 1015011174902

IBAN No. AE33 0260 0010 1501 1174 902

SWIFT Code: EBILAEAD

Bank name: Emirates-NBD

Bank Address: PO BOX 777, Dubai, UAE

Currency: AED

Please **complete and return** the payment summary form (see [Rally Guide](#)) by fax or send by email a copy of the bank transfer form for reference and reconciliation purposes (+971 4 2961133) or email ([janette@atcuae.ae](mailto:janette@atcuae.ae)). The registration form will only be accepted if accompanied by the correct entry fees.

## 5) Competitor Licences

**5.1:** Riders entering the National Motorcycle or Quad event must hold a minimum of a National MX/Enduro/Baja/Rally Licence, issued by either the UAEMC or another FIM affiliate. Should the competitor have a licence from an FMN other than the UAEMC, it must be accompanied by the appropriate Start Permission.

## 6) National Classes and Prizes

**6.1:** For International Classes, please consult the FIA regulations.

The following National Classes will be permitted:

Class	Details
Motorcycle	No restriction on engine capacity.
Quad	All Quads, irrespective of engine capacity.

**6.2: The following prizes will be awarded for National Spec Vehicles:**

- 1<sup>st</sup> Overall Motorcycle (One Trophy)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Overall Motorcycle (One Trophy)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Overall Motorcycle (One Trophy)
  
- 1<sup>st</sup> Quad Class (One Trophy)
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Quad Class (One Trophy)
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Quad Class (One Trophy)

## 7) Refueling and Servicing

**7.1:** International and National Cars may only refuel and service in the permitted areas at the Service Park at Dubai Autodrome.

**7.2:** Due to their limited fuel range and lack of road registration, National Motorcycles and Quads will be permitted to refuel and service in a designated area at the midstage Passage Control.

**7.3:** Refueling and servicing for Motorcycles and Quads will be permitted during the stage, only in this designated area, or during the stage when the fuel is received only from another competitor. **It is competitors own decision whether or not to refuel or service midstage**, but should they need to, they will do so in their own time.

It is recommended that these vehicles be capable of a minimum of 60km distance at competitive speed to be able to make it from the start to the midstage refuel to the finish.

**7.4:** Competitors are not permitted to be in or on their vehicles while it is being refueled. Any servicing or refueling should be carried out on top of a suitable ground mat for environmental reasons, and a member of the service crew must man a fire extinguisher when refueling is taking place.

## **8) Starting Order**

**8.1:** National Vehicles will follow the itinerary of the international event. That itinerary and starting order will be published prior to the start of the event.

## **9) Navigation**

### **9.1: Road Book and Navigation**

9.1.1: Whilst the route generally avoids being in proximity of camel farms, competitors are advised when driving in the vicinity their speed should be restricted. Crews must take every precaution to minimize the nuisance and disturbance to all forms of livestock at all times.

9.1.2: The route of the event will be defined by the road book (A5) and a combination of visible and hidden GPS waypoints. The standard regulations regarding route conformity will apply. Each vehicle has to be equipped with;

1. A GPS kit from ERTF, 2. A Sentinel kit from ERTF.

### **9.2: Each vehicle must be equipped with a Competitor Tracking / Proximity warning Device (COMPULSORY).**

9.2.1: All VHF, HF, CB transmitter/receiver or other electronic means of communication, other than GSM and/or satellite telephone, are forbidden.

Conditions of use of Satellite and GSM telephones:

For safety reasons the presence of a satellite telephone and/or a GSM phone (except PDAs or GSM phones featuring a GPS function or maps) on board vehicles is authorized. The number(s) must be given

to the organizers during administrative checks. In no case may telephones be in 'on' mode during selective sections. Spot checks will be made. Only in case of problems may telephones be used, only outside of the vehicle, with the vehicle stopped, to signal a retirement, an accident or a breakdown. These telephones may be used from within the car, only on road sections and solely by the co-driver (See Arts. 29 and 32 of the CCR GP).

All infractions will result in penalties up to and including disqualification from the race.

No permanent aerial, 'hands-free' kit, fixed installation or pre-wiring is authorized in the vehicle. No SMS, MMS, data transmission is allowed, and all equipment such as data cables, infrared links, Blue Tooth, Wi-Fi etc. is banned. Only the telephone mode is allowed to be used. All infractions will result in disqualification from the race. Checks will be made throughout the rally.

Only GSM telephones and/or GSM's functions of PDA's, computers and other systems may be used from within the cockpit as a telephone on road sections.

Radio and transmissions

Only the following aerials will be authorised:

- For the race GPS, provided by the organisers suppliers,
- Satellite and/or GSM link to the Tracking Devices, provided by the organisers suppliers

To the exclusion of all other type of aerial, linked or not, of type Standard C, D+, M, mini M, Argos, radios, telephones etc. All infractions may result in exclusion from the race.

The presence of one of these means of communication on board an assistance vehicle will result in the immediate exclusion from the rally of all competitors in the rally having any link other than GSM or satellite phone with the assistance vehicle in question.

9.2.2: The fitting of any type of GPS other than the model specified and supplied by ERTF is forbidden. The use of all types of navigation equipment other than those compulsory described below will result in exclusion from the Baja.

- 1- Trip meter. Total and/or partial distance recorder operated solely by the rotation of the wheels, gearbox or transmission. Compulsory.
- 2- Magnetic Compass. Indicates the compass (magnetic) heading of the vehicle. Optional.
- 3- Compass heading repeater linked to each fixed GPS. Optional.
- 4- A fixed GPS system supplied on a hire basis by the official navigation equipment supplier.

The following use restrictions apply:

A spare of items 1 & 4 may be fitted while there may only be one of item 2.

No linking of the equipment either internal or external is authorized except between items 3 & 4.



9.2.3: The following general restrictions apply:

- No navigation equipment with a mapping facility is permitted
- All equipment supplied by the organisers will incorporate a unique identification code as well as a means of checking the route followed by the competitor on the day's stage
- Checks will be carried out and equipment may be exchanged for verification purposes
- Penalties for infringement are up to and including disqualification.

**9.3:** Should a competitor arrive at the scene of an accident, which involves injury, they must stop and provide whatever assistance is appropriate until the arrival of the emergency services. A competitor who stops to aid another competitor may apply in writing to the stewards for a time allowance to be applied.

Any crew that witnesses an accident placing another competitor in physical danger must:

- Stop,
- Press the Emergency button on their 'tracking system'
- Contact Rally HQ using the either their tracking system, or a GSM Phone, to report the situation,
- Wait for the rescue service or another competitor to arrive,

At the request of the competitor on arrival at the end of the Leg, the stopping time between the arriving at the accident scene and departing the scene will be deducted from the time taken to cover the Selective Section. This applies only to the first crew, which stops at the scene of the accident, but if circumstances clearly dictate, then this will be the subject of the discretion of the Stewards.

9.3.1: Any competitor not complying with the above regulations will be reported to the Stewards who may impose penalties up to and including disqualification from the event.

9.3.2: In the event of a mechanical failure/ retirement during a Leg, in this case, you must notify the Clerk of the Course that you consider yourself to be retired on that Leg and request his permission to recover the vehicle and/or receive outside assistance (Authorized Assistance). You can wait for the Sweep/Course Closing Team to arrive and they will take you to the time control at the end of the leg. You must make your own personal arrangements, at your cost, for the recovery of your vehicle. Clarification: A competitor who retires from a leg but intends to restart must hand in his time card immediately on arrival at the time control at the end of the leg. Failure to hand in the time card will incur a penalty of 5 hours.

#### **9.4: Selective Sections**

9.4.1: Special Selective are sometimes run on non-private roads and Bedouin tracks in the desert and it is recommended to exercise particular care towards local traffic that may be in the vicinity. The average altitude of the total distance of selective sections is 100m.

#### **9.5: Reconnaissance**

Any form of reconnaissance of the route, whether by a competitor himself or any party associated, directly or indirectly, with a competitor is strictly prohibited. The possession of route notes, other than those issued by the organisers of the 2018 Dubai International Baja, or the storage of GPS waypoints from previous years' events is prohibited. Competitors who fail to observe these bans will be refused a Start or will be disqualified from the event. A commercially available map, free of any markings, other than those deduced from the organiser's road book may be carried on board a competing vehicle.

## **9.6: Tests**

Competitors who wish to perform tests are obliged to notify the Organisers of their intentions, with details of dates/timing and obtain written permission. On application, areas within which it is permitted to test will be advised to the applicant.

## **10) Protest Procedure**

**10.1:** Any competitor who wishes to appeal a decision from rally control must do so to the Steward of the event within 30 minutes of the publication of the provisional results of the event on the official noticeboard. The protest must be in writing and accompanied by the National Protest fee of AED 600.

**10.2:** Should the protest be unsuccessful; the competitor will forfeit the protest fee.

**10.3:** In the event of a protest, the awards ceremony will continue as scheduled and be based on the published results.

## **11) Retirements**

**11.1:** In the event that a competitor retires from the event, it is their responsibility to report that retirement to the Safety Officer in Rally Control. Failure to do so will result in a penalty at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course or Stewards.

**11.2:** Should a motorcycle or quad retire in the stage, the rider and the vehicle will both be recovered and returned to the National Service Park.

## **12) Technical Regulations**

### **12.1: Engine**

Capacity of the engine will be calculated by the geometric formula, which gives the volume of a cylinder. Any form of forced induction is prohibited. The engine must not continue to run when the throttle control is closed.

### **12.2: Fuel**

Fuel must be:

- Unleaded; and
- Be no more than 98 RON.
- Contain no additives other than those added at the point of manufacture except for lubricating oil for two stroke engines.
- Fuel is available at the **RALLY HQ next to 'Parc Ferme'**, and designated refuelling zones as per the roadbook / service book, and it is included in the entry fees (Competition / Service vehicles bearing identification stickers will only be allowed to refuel here).

### **12.3: Carburetor**

The carburetor is free i.e. model, size and type may be changed.

Only ambient air may be mixed with fuel as an oxidant.

### **12.4: Exhaust**

Exhaust systems must fulfill the requirements of noise control.

The exit of the exhaust silencer must exit towards the rear of the motorcycle.

### **12.5: Brakes**

All Motorcycles must have at least 2 functional brakes (one on each wheel - Motorcycle). The brake lever if pivoted on the footrest axis must work under all circumstances, such as a bent or deformed footrest.

### **12.6: Chassis**

The following applies:

- A safety guard must be fitted to the countershaft sprocket.
- All handle bar levers must in principle, be ball ended (diameter of this ball to be at least 16mm)
- Each handlebar lever must be mounted on an independent pivot.
- The repair by welding of light alloy handlebars is prohibited.
- The throttle control must be self-closing when not held by the hand.
- Motorcycle stands must be removed for competition use.
- Mudguards must project laterally beyond the tyre on each side.
- The ends of the mudguards must be rounded with a radius of not less than 8mm and not exceeding 60mm.
- Mudguards must be made of flexible material only.
- A handlebar-mounted engine cut off switch must be working.
- The handlebars must be equipped with a protection pad on the cross bar. Handlebars without a cross member must be equipped with a protection pad located in the middle of the handlebars, covering widely the handlebars clamps

## 12.7: General

The machine must remain as manufacturer provided however the following may be altered:

- Colour
- Seat
- Mudguards
- Handlebars, Levers and Grips
- Cables
- Chains
- Tyre brand and tread pattern

## 13) Identification

The organiser shall provide each rider with a set of identification plates comprising 1 front plate and 2 side plates called number plates. The organiser shall also provide one bib measuring 26 cm x 30 cm, bearing the racing number which should be clearly worn on the rider's back. The exact sizes and positions of these number plates will be explained in the SR.

The race bib cannot be cut and/or modified. In all cases, the upper edge of the back bib must be a maximum of 20 cm from the neck of the rider and shall be always visible and not be hidden by anything, like a "Camel Bag".

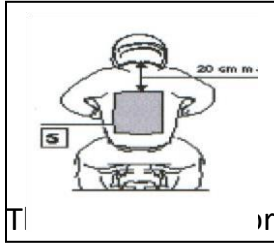
The number plates shall be affixed visibly at the front and on the rear sides of the motorcycle. They shall in no circumstances cover, throughout the duration of the Baja, even partly, the registration number of the motorcycle.

At any time during the Baja, the absence of or incorrect affixing of an event number panel or plate shall result, for each offence noted, in a time penalty, as provided for in the Supplementary Regulations. Before the start of each Stage, the simultaneous absence or incorrect affixing of at least two event number plates or the bib will ban the rider from starting. If needed, the organiser must be able to supply riders with new number plates and bib, by asking the Competitors' Relation Officer.

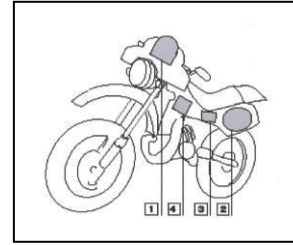
## 14) Advertising

Competitors shall be free to affix any advertising on their motorcycles/quads provided that it:

- Is authorized by the FIM Rules and Laws of the UAE. Note: The advertising of alcohol or related products, is illegal.
- Is not contrary to public decency and customs,
- Does not overlap on those areas that are reserved for the plates.



- Front plate 24cm x 30cm
- Two side plates, 24cm x 30cm
- 2 advertising panels, 12cm x 8cm
- 2 advertising panels, 12cm x 8cm
- Race bibs 26cm x 30cm



These areas are for the organisers and can be bought back at a cost of **US\$ 1,500**

- An area 12cm x 12cm on each side of the front of the tank
- An area 12cm x 8cm on each side at the back of the motorcycle, on a vertical surface it is the rider's responsibility to check that none of the organisers advertising areas are missing, masked or damaged.

It is the riders' responsibility to ensure that the position of their bibs allow complete visibility of the rally number.

## 15) Roadbook and Navigation

**15.1:** The road book has been composed to indicate the route to follow, some GPS points and the main dangers.

The road book, descriptions, legend and descriptive maps of the first Stage of the race will be given to the competitors at the end of the special stage.

The road book of the following legs will be delivered at the bivouac from 16:30 daily. The competitors who will arrive late to the bivouac should collect from the bivouac rally office. The information given by the route opening team will be communicated to riders during the briefings and by additive.

### 15.2: Reconnaissance

Any reconnaissance of the track is forbidden, on pain of exclusion from the race.

### 15.3: Navigation Rules

Throughout the rally, each rider is responsible for the correct functioning of his GPS, downloaded with the organization's points. The GPS must be connected to the power source at all times (Liaison & Special). Each malfunction must be communicated to a steward or the CRO. Any evidence of manipulation may be penalized as far as disqualification from the rally as determined by the International Jury.

### 15.4: Official Itinerary

The official route of the Rally is described in the road book given to the competitors and must be strictly followed, on pain of a penalty which may lead as far as disqualification from the rally. The official itinerary

of the Rally is defined by a number of Visible Way Points (WPV) and Hidden Way Points (WPM). All the GPS points will be considered as COMPULSORY passage points.

In any case the competitor can force the GPS to address to another WPT, pushing the “WPT+” or “WPT-” button.

The penalty for missing waypoints and PCs is summarized in Art 23 of the SRs.

### **15.5: Compulsory Briefing about the Safety Systems**

A compulsory briefing for the riders where the use of the various safety systems will follow the Competitors Briefing on **Thursday 8th March at 16h00 at the Rally HQ** by Sportstraxx / ERFT representatives.

The name of the riders participating will be inscribed on an attendance list.

### **15.6: Navigation Rules – Visible Waypoints (WPV), Invisible Waypoints (WPM) & Waypoints Security (WPS)**

Refer to Art 23 re missed waypoints, missed PCs and exceeding the maximum time allowed for a section. WPS can be used for security reasons or to prevent cuts and must be used in all control zones defined in FIM article 82.20

The WPS waypoint will validate at 90 meters. Towards a WPS, all available information is displayed on the screen of the GPS.

Missing waypoint (WPV, WPM, WPE, DZ, FZ): 20', Missing a WPS: 120'

## **16) Traffic**

**16.1:** Throughout the duration of the Rally the riders must strictly comply with the traffic regulations of the UAE. Any competitor who does not comply with these requirements will be penalized as follows:

- 1<sup>st</sup> Infringement: a time penalty equal to 30 minutes
- 2<sup>nd</sup> Infringement: a time penalty of 1 hour
- 3<sup>rd</sup> Infringement: disqualification from the rally

The police or officials who record any infringement of the traffic regulations by a competitor must inform him/her of it in the same way as other road users. Should they decide not to stop the rider at fault, they may ask the organisers to apply the penalties, provided that:

- a) Notification of the offence reaches the Organisers through the official channels and in a written note, before posting of the classification of the stage during which the offence was committed.
- b) The reports of offence are sufficiently detailed to ensure that the identity of the rider at fault is established without any doubt that the places and times of the offence are perfectly correct.

The complaints are not capable of being variously interpreted.

## **16.2 Crossing of Inhabited Areas**

Riders – Along inhabited areas crossed in the liaison sections as well as along the specials, the speed will be strictly limited as specified by the local sign panels. All areas, which are considered dangerous for riders and local inhabitants, will be indicated in the road book.

Service, Assistance Vehicles – The speed of all assistance vehicles in crossed cities and villages, following the assistance road book, will be limited as specified by the local sign panels. Overtaking is also forbidden. The Organising Staff will make controls and the International Jury can decide penalties.

## **17) Protecting the Environment**

Each participant and/or team member is responsible for the waste generated by his team during the event.

The organizers will provide facilities for waste and used oil collection. It is strictly forbidden to empty onto the ground waste water or oil and any infraction to this rule will be reported to the International Jury who will fine the rider responsible a maximum of **EUR 200**.

Where refueling or servicing of a motorcycle is being undertaken measures must be taken to protect the ground. Participants should use environmental mats or other suitable means to cover the ground. This is also compulsory when an electrical generator or any other device with a thermic engine is being refueled or serviced by the rider or the team.

Sensitive area around DUBAI AUTODROME must be respected and details will be provided at the compulsory competitors briefing on **Thursday 8th March 2018 at 16h00**.

Any infringement by the participant (who is responsible for his team) of the FIM Environmental Code can result in a fine, disqualification from the event or suspension, and may also result in the participant or rider being liable for any costs of rectification.

## **18) Insurance**

**18.1:** The entry fee includes the insurance premium giving the rider third-party civil liability cover in accordance with Art. 110.1.1 of the Sporting Code.

The insurance will take effect on the start of the Rally and shall cease on the finish of the Rally or immediately on abandonment of or disqualification from the Rally.

Competitor vehicles specifically registered with the organisation (non GCC) are covered for Civil Liability towards Third Parties (Road Legal), from (and including) Thursday 8th March to (and including) Saturday 10th March 2018.

**18.2:** This cover provides for maximum liability, in respect of any one claim or series of claims resulting from one accident, of Dh1,000,000. Damages to rally and/or service cars as well as the liability of a crewmember towards other crewmembers are not covered by the insurance provided by the organisers.

**18.3: Repatriation for Medical Reasons**

Overseas entries: Repatriations and medical insurance is included in the entry fee to a level of Dh 626,000 (around €150,000)

**18.4: Personal Accident Insurance**

As per Article 110.2 of the FIM Sporting Code.

**18.5: Important Medical Insurance Information in UAE**

It is important for all Competitors to fully understand the situation with regards to Medical expenses according to the UAE rules.

In the event that “you” the registered competitor have an accident during the event and requires medical attention in a hospital then the following procedure needs to be followed:

- On release from Hospital any **Medical Costs need to be settled by you or a third party before leaving the hospital**. The hospitals have been informed of this arrangement.

In case if an accident, a claim form will be sent to you or a third party by email which needs to be completed along with the Hospital report and receipt.

Once received and verified, the document will then be forwarded onto our insurance company for review and process.

**By the fact you sign your entry form, you fully understand the above, and that Medical costs must be settled before leaving the hospital.**

## **19) Administrative Obligations**

**19.1:** General documentation checks will be made prior to the start of the Rally at documentation. (Wednesday 7<sup>th</sup> March at Rally HQ) this will include:

- A valid Competition Licence – corresponding to the type and capacity of machine used.
- Passport (and Visa for Gulf entries, and other nationalities who require a Visa in advance of travelling)
- Start permission letter from the competitors FMN to enter the 2018 Dubai International Baja.
- Registration documents
- Signed Indemnity Form

**19.2: Each Motorcycle**

Only those riders who have successfully completed the Documentation / Administrative checks may present their Machine at Scrutineering in accordance with the published time schedule. A Scrutineering



schedule for all competitors will be posted on the Official Notice Board and will be issued to each competitor at documentation. Competitors are requested to abide by their due time – penalties will be given if late. All identification and advertising stickers must be in place on the machine when it is submitted to the scrutineers.

Failure to report to Scrutineering at the due time will result in a cash penalty of AED 1,000.00.

Competitors must also present the following equipment for inspection

- Helmet
- Riding Kit
- GPS
- Sentinel
- Tracking Device(s)
- Additional Water Ration Camelback
- Mobile telephone
- Medical Kit (recommended by not compulsory)

## 20) Classification

Points for the national classes will be based on the Emirates Desert Championship points.

<b><u>Position</u></b>	<b><u>Race Score</u></b>
1 <sup>st</sup>	25 Points
2 <sup>nd</sup>	22 Points
3 <sup>rd</sup>	20 Points
4 <sup>th</sup>	18 Points
5 <sup>th</sup>	16 Points
6 <sup>th</sup>	15 Points
7 <sup>th</sup>	14 Points
8 <sup>th</sup>	13 Points
9 <sup>th</sup>	12 Points
10 <sup>th</sup>	11 Points
11 <sup>th</sup>	10 Points
12 <sup>th</sup>	9 Points
13 <sup>th</sup>	8 Points
14 <sup>th</sup>	7 Points
15 <sup>th</sup>	6 Points
16 <sup>th</sup>	5 Points
17 <sup>th</sup>	4 Points
18 <sup>th</sup>	3 Points
19 <sup>th</sup>	2 Points
20 <sup>th</sup>	1 Point

\*Every classified finisher after 20<sup>th</sup> position will receive 1 point.

## 21) Compulsory Equipment Rental

Each competitor must compulsorily carry on his vehicle the following equipment:

- A soft water tank of minimum 2 liters carried by the rider of a 'Camelback' type
- A klaxon of the Sentinel Vehicle to Vehicle Alarm system (ERTF)
- A Tracking system (Sporttraxx)
- A single GPS (ERTF)

The existence of this equipment shall be checked before the departure of each Leg. Failure to possess a part or all of this equipment will result in a refusal to start. The rider will have **60** minutes to conform to the rules; beyond this delay the **start will be refused**.

Transport of fuel in any other way than in fuel tanks designed for this purpose is forbidden. Similarly, transport of objects, parts, tools... susceptible to cause injuries to a rider (back pack, belt...) is forbidden. Failure to respect this rule will result in the start being refused.

### 21.1: Vehicle to Vehicle Alarm System (Sentinel System Type)

The mandatory equipment will be included in the cost of the Entry Fee and ordered on the competitors' behalf by the organisers. Any rider requiring mounting brackets or wishing to purchase their own equipment, can contact:

**ERTF – [Download ERTF Documentation Form](#), [Download ERTF Order Form](#)**

Parc Technologique De Soye 56275, Ploemeur, CEDEX, FRANCE

Tel: +33 (0)2 97 87 25 85

Fax: +33 (0)2 97 37 59 21

E-mail: [competition@ertf.com](mailto:competition@ertf.com)

### 21.2: Tracking System

A GSM Tracking System supplied by Sporttraxx will be used. The cost of the service has been included in the Entry Fee and no additional brackets, wiring or aerials need to be purchased or fitted.

## 22) Penalties

### 22.1: Fixed Penalty

- A fixed penalty (FP) of 2 hours will be applied to competitors who fail to complete a section within the Maximum Time allowed for that section.
- A Sporting penalty (SP) of 2 hours will be applied to competitors who miss or fail to complete a section.

### 22.2: No start or abandon in a selective section/leg

A rider not present at the start of a stage and who did not inform the race direction in any manner will be disqualified.

The rider who does not wish or cannot start a stage must still present himself, be represented by somebody at the start of the stage or have informed the Clerk of the Course before the start of the stage.

In this case, he will receive a penalty as follows:

- **Six (6) hours + Sporting Penalty (SP) + Maximum time of the Selective Section + Allotted time of the Road Section not done + the value of all waypoints not validated.**

The rider who starts a stage then leaves the Stage Selective Section will receive the following penalty:

- **Three (3) hours for having left the stage + SP + Maximum time of the Selective Section + Allotted time of the Road section not done + the value of all waypoints not validated.**

### 22.3: Assistance / Service

As the refueling zone is not a servicing area, all external assistance / service on a machine is forbidden during refueling on pain of penalties at the discretion of the National Clerk of the Course.

**Only riders are allowed to help other competitors.**

External assistance / Service is allowed only in the designated service area which the rider can use is own times. Service is free at the **Service Park at Dubai Autodrome.**

### 22.4: Not taking the start of a leg

All Legs of the event are straight, with Start and Finish linked by surfaced roads, or loops, where the Start and Finish are in the same place or close together, therefore for competitors who fail to attempt a Stage i.e. not taking the Start of that Leg, with the rider present and the machine propelled by its own power, **will be penalized by 100 hours.** If this is repeated, then the FIM Jury may inflict a sanction, which may go as far as exclusion.

### 22.5: Passage Control Penalties

All controls must be passed in the order defined by the Road Book.

No passage controls will be utilized on the event. Instead a number of Radio Points will be listed in the road book and manned by marshals. The competitor does not need to stop and collect a stamp at these locations, and there are no speed limits in these locations.

### 23.6: Summary of Penalties

Summary of Penalties	Art. N°	Start refused	Disqualification	Time penalty	Financial penalty	Decisions Penalties Sanctions of the JI

Refusal of the organisers advertising	Art. 082.4				100% of the entry fee	
Invalid licence	Art. 082.6	x				
Anti-sport, unfair, incorrect or fraudulent action	Art. 082.6					Sanctions of the JI
Not inform officials about an engine change	Art. 082.72			15'		
More engine change than allowed	Art. 082.7.3			2h		
Absence or incorrect affixing of at least two plates or the bib	Art. 082.7.4	x		x		
Missing bracelet	Art. 082.7.4				10% of the entry fee	
Absence or falsification of an identification mark	Art .082.8.2.1		x			

Absence of the identification marks	Art .082.8.2.1		x			
Refusal to present the machine to a technical control	Art. 082.8.3					Up to disqualification
Non-respect of the maximum sound level during the event 1st infringement 2nd infringement 3rd infringement	Art. 082.8.3			15' 1 h		Disqualification
Forbidden reconnaissance	Art. 082.11.1					Sanctions of the JI
Remaining for more than 30'' after the starting signal	Art. 082.14.1			2'		
Early start	Art. 082.14.1			1'		
No start or abandon in a Selective Section/Stage	Art. 082.14.1					Accord. to Art.

Rider not presenting his motorcycle with engine running	Art. 082.14.1			1' by min late		
Refusal to start at the time and position given	Art. 082.14.1		x	x		Up to disqualification
Voluntary stop in the arrival area of a Selective Section	Art. 082.14.1		x			
Not respecting the Stop panel	Art. 082.14.1					Up to disqualification
Lateness on the theoretic time at the Stage/SS/SSS departure	Art. 082.15.1					

Up to 30'				1' by min		
Over 30' or 60'			x			
Assistance and towing of motorcycles in a Selective or Road Section	Art. 082.16.1		x			Up to disqualification
Prohibited assistance	Art. 082.16.3					Up to disqualification
Not using an environmental mat when refueling	Art. 082.16.4				60 euros	

Absence of an extinguisher during refuelling	Art. 082.16.4				60 euros	
Absence of the visa on the time card	Art. 082.17		x	x		Up to disqualification
Absence of the visa in a CP	Art. 082.17		x			Accord. to Art.
Correction/ alteration of the time card	Art. 082.17		x			
Loss of the time card	Art. 082.17			5'		



Passing at a control without the motorcycle	Art. 082.17					Sanctions of the JI
Instructions of the Chief of the control point not respected	Art. 082.18		x	x		Up to disqualification
Non-respect of the entry, exit and the direction of the traffic in the zone	Art. 082.17					
1st infringement				10'		
2nd infringement				1h		

3rd infringement				3h		
Behind or ahead of schedule at a TC after a Road Section (except arrival of a Stage, no penalty for ahead of schedule)	Art. 082.19			1' by min		
Failure to observe Parc Fermé orders	Art. 082.24.1		x			
Refusal to cross out the number plates after abandonment/disqualification	Art. 082.28					Up to disqualification