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A round of the 2019 FIA BAJA World Cup  
& the 2019 FIM BAJA World Cup

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**Rally Guide (V2 05 12 2018)**





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## Introduction

As a consequence of the rapid development of infrastructure in the UAE, the area available for traditional special stage rallying in Dubai has been greatly reduced since the 1980's and 1990's. For this

reason, as well as to capitalize on the growing preference and demand for cross country rallying in the region, in early 2016, the ATCUAE and Dubai Government took the decision to reformat what was previously known as the Dubai International Rally, into an event that caters for cross country cars and motorcycles, and elevate it from a regional to a world level status.

In its former guise, the *Dubai International Rally* was the oldest motorsport event in the UAE, being staged annually since the late 1970s and organized by the ATCUAE since 1997. Until 2015, the event was staged as a round of the FIA Middle East Rally Championship, being won by such drivers as Nasser Al Attiyah, Saeed Al Hajri, Khalid Al Qassimi and Bjorn Waldegård. Current ATCUAE President Mohammed Ben Sulayem holds the record for most wins, taking 15 victories between 1985 and 2002.

Following the successful hosting of the candidate event in December 2016, the Dubai International Baja took place as a round of both the 2017 FIA World Cup for Cross Country Rallies (alongside the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge) and the FIM Baja World Cup. The 2017 event was well received and proved to be a huge success, not least because of its close proximity to Dubai. The second edition took place between the 08<sup>th</sup> & 10<sup>th</sup> March 2018 and was signified by the commencement of collaboration between the ATCUAE and DUBAI Autodrome. The partnership sees the Dubai Autodrome; the UAE's first fully fledged integrated multi-purpose motorsport & entertainment facility, play host to the event Headquarters and Bivouac.

Registration is open until the 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019 to competitors driving cars and trucks complying with FIA Technical Regulations, and motorcycles and quads running under the auspices of the FIM.

The Dubai International Baja is held under the patronage of H.H Sheikh Hamdan Bin Mohammed Bin Rashid Al Maktoum, Crown Prince of Dubai, and organised by the ATCUAE with the backing of a number of major sponsors.



## Past Winners

Auto			
Year	Winner	Vehicle	Championship
2018	Kuba Przygonski (POL) / Tom Colsoul (BEL)	MINI JOHN COOPER WORKS RALLY	FIA CC World Cup
2017	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Mathieu Baumel (FRA)	Toyota Hilux	FIA CC World Cup
2016	Ahmed Al Maqoodi (ARE)	Polaris RZR 1000 (T3)	FIA Candidate
2015	Sh. Khaled Al Qassimi (ARE) / Chris Patterson (GBR)	Citroen DS3 RRC	FIA MERC
2014	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Ford Fiesta RRC	FIA MERC
2013	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Ford Fiesta RRC	FIA MERC
2012	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Ford Fiesta RRC	FIA MERC
2011	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Ford Fiesta S2000	FIA MERC
2010	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Ford Fiesta S2000	FIA MERC
2009	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Giovanni Bernacchini (ITA)	Subaru Impreza N14	FIA MERC
2008	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Chris Patterson (GBR)	Subaru Impreza N13	FIA MERC
2007	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Chris Patterson (GBR)	Subaru Impreza N12	FIA MERC
2006	Sh. Khaled Al Qassimi (ARE) / Khalid Alkendi (ARE)	Subaru Impreza WRX	FIA MERC
2005	Sh. Khaled Al Qassimi (ARE) / Nick Beech (GBR)	Subaru Impreza WRX	FIA MERC
2004	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Chris Patterson (GBR)	Subaru Impreza WRX	FIA MERC
2003	Nasser Al Attiyah (QAT) / Steve Lancaster (GBR)	Subaru Impreza WRC	FIA MERC
2002	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (UAE) / John Spiller (GB)	Ford Focus WRC	FIA MERC
2001	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Khaled Zakaria (JOR)	Ford Focus WRC	FIA MERC



2000	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Focus WRC	FIA MERC
1999	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Focus WRC	FIA MERC
1998	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1997	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1996	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1995	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1994	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1993	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Ford Escort Cosworth	FIA MERC
1992	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Toyota Celica GT-Four	FIA MERC
1991	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Toyota Celica GT-Four	FIA MERC
1990	Sh. Suhail Al Maktoum (ARE) / Mubarak Al Hajri (QAT)	Mitsubishi Galant VR4	FIA MERC
1989	Björn Waldegård (SWE) / Fred Gallagher (GBR)	Toyota Celica GT-Four	FIA MERC
1988	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ronan Morgan (IRL)	Toyota Celica TCT	FIA MERC
1987	Reinhard Hainbach (GER) / Erhard Ricken (GER)	Opel Manta 400	FIA MERC
1986	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Sölve Andreasson (SWE)	Toyota Celica TCT	FIA MERC
1985	Mohammed Ben Sulayem (ARE) / Ali Hassan (ARE)	Toyota Celica TCT	FIA MERC
1984	Saeed Al Hajri (QAT) / John Spiller (GBR)	Porsche 911 SC	FIA MERC
1983	Chris Walles (GBR) / Steve McCormack (GBR)	Datsun Silvia	GRC
1982	Chris Walles (GBR) / Steve McCormack (GBR)	Datsun Silvia	GRC



<b>Moto</b>			
Year	Winner	Vehicle	Championship
2018	M. Al Balooshi (ARE)	KTM 450	450cc World Cup
2017	Mark ACKERMAN (ZA)	Husqvarna 450 FX	450cc World Cup
2016	David McBride (GBR)	KTM 450 RR	Non-Championship

<b>Quad</b>			
Year	Winner	Vehicle	Championship
2018	F. Al Musallam (KUW)	Yamaha 700 Raptor	Non-Championship
2017	Fahad Al Musallam (KUW)	Yamaha 700 Raptor	Quad World Cup
2016	Abdulmajeed Al Khulaifi (KSA)	Yamaha YFZ 450	Non-Championship

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Website: [www.dubaiinternationalbaja.com](http://www.dubaiinternationalbaja.com)

### Working hours:

Sunday – Thursday, from 09:00 to 17:00 (GMT +4)

ATCUAE Clubhouse, Al Wuheida Street, Al Mamzar, Dubai

## Federations

Category	Federation	Phone	Email
AUTO – International	FIA	+33 1 43 12 44 55	<a href="mailto:info@fia.com">info@fia.com</a>
AUTO – National	ATCUAE	+971 4 296 11 22	<a href="mailto:info@atcuae.ae">info@atcuae.ae</a>
MOTO – International	FIM	+41 22 950 95 00	<a href="mailto:info@fim.ch">info@fim.ch</a>
MOTO – National	UAEMC	+971 4 296 11 22	<a href="mailto:motouae@eim.ae">motouae@eim.ae</a>



## Event Regulations

2019 FIA World Cup for Cross-Country Rallies Sporting Regulations	<b>TBD</b>
2019 DIB Auto Supplementary Regulations	<b>TBD</b>
2019 FIM Bajas World Cup Sporting Regulations	<b>TBD</b>
2019 DIB Moto Supplementary Regulations	<b>TBD</b>

## Programme of the Rally

### **OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES:**

- Thursday 06<sup>th</sup> December 2018

### **CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:**

- Sunday 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019

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

- Thursday 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019

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

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 07h00-15h00 (in accordance with Timetable to be published on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019)

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

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 07h30-15h30 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019, (in accordance with Timetable to be published on 28<sup>th</sup> February 2019)

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

- Place: *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 09h00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

- Place: *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 11h30 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019

### **FIRST STEWARDS MEETING**

- Place: Stewards Room, Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 16h00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 16h30 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019





**COMPETITORS BRIEFING:**

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 17:00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**CEREMONIAL START:**

- Place: Start Ramp @ *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 18h00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 18h00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019 – (*when exiting Ceremonial Start*)

**OFFICIAL START:**

- Place: Exit of Service Park, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 07h30 Friday 08<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- LEG ONE LENGTH – APPROXIMATELY 200 KM

**COMPETITORS BRUNCH FUNCTION:**

- Place: *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: from 13h30 Friday 08<sup>th</sup> March 2019

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

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 16h30 Friday 08<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- LEG TWO LENGTH – APPROXIMATELY 200 KM

**START LEG TWO:**

- Place: Exit of Service Park, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 07h30 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019
- LEG TWO LENGTH – APPROXIMATELY 200 KM

**FINISH OF THE RALLY:**

- Place: *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 12h30 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**FINAL TECHNICAL CHECKS:**

- Place: *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: from 13h30 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**FINAL STEWARDS MEETING**

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 15h30 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**PUBLICATION OF PROVISIONAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:**

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 16h00 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**PUBLICATION OF OFFICIAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:**

- Place: Rally HQ, *DUBAI AUTODROME*, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 16h30 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**CEREMONIAL FINISH/AWARDING OF PRIZES:**

- Place: DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 17h15 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

**OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD:**

- Place: Rally HQ, DUBAI AUTODROME, Motor City, Dubai
- Time: 07h00 Thursday 07<sup>th</sup> March 2019, 07h00, to 18h00 Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019

## Sustainability Statement

The ATCUAE is committed to sustainable development.

We recognise that we have a vital role to play in delivering a better quality of life and environment for everyone in the UAE, both now and for future generations. We are committed to achieving continuous environmental improvement in all our activities and services. We will strive to reduce our own impact and make every effort to promote awareness of local and global issues that will facilitate sustainable development practices.

To achieve this we aim to:

- Promote awareness and a sense of environmental responsibility amongst employees and volunteers,
- Assess the environmental impact and take steps to continuously improve all significant effects,
- Comply with applicable laws and legal requirements
- Use resources more efficiently, thereby reducing consumption,
- Minimise waste, promote recycling and the use of recycled materials.

## Purpose

This policy applies to all staff and volunteers and other stakeholders. The purpose of this policy is to set out our intentions and principles in relation to sustainable development, promoting sustainable development and good environmental practice.

## Principles

The ATCUAE will address the social, economic, and environmental considerations of sustainable development, defined as ensuring a better quality of life, according to the following principals:

- Social progress that recognises the needs of everyone,
- Effective protection of the environment
- Prudent use of natural resources.



Sustainable development is about what we do and the way we think. It's about community empowerment and involvement, volunteering, and giving back to the society that we live in.

We recognise the interdependence of individuals and groups with the natural and built environments, which means seeing, and making connections between different aspects of our lives; social, economic, and environmental, and building links between the local and the global, understanding chain reactions, and assessing and sharing resources.

We are committed to enabling volunteers to participate in society, feel that they belong and make a difference, build strengths, and enhance skills, and are supportive of volunteers taking responsibility and leadership.

The ATCUAE is committed to sustainability, which means understanding a sense of looking forward, not focusing on the present, recognising the limits of knowledge, thinking of consequences, making things last, renewing and recycling, safeguarding resources, and meeting local needs locally wherever possible.

## Sustainable Communities

The ATCUAE is committed to contribute to sustainable community development where people are happy to live and work, meeting the diverse needs of the UAE residents. We contribute by engaging communities in motor sports, developing their skills, knowledge and confidence.

Sustainable development is about establishing social relationships of trust, of social capital, and is the core of active community participation and the key to a better quality of life. We operate a network of people with motorsport interests who have the desire to invest their time in running events in, and for, the UAE's benefit, who train other volunteers, and communicate and share their lives with others.

For sustainable development to be meaningful it must start with people making decisions about their lives, taking responsibility, giving back to the society and participating in the community, learning new skills, and recognising the consequences of actions.

We have identified the learning and skills development needs of UAE citizens, taking into account the unique demographic, economic and cultural factors of the country, and are implementing the plan to raise the level of involvement.

## Resource Use

The ATCUAE will incorporate materials efficiency measure to reduce running costs. It will minimise resource consumption by:

- Reducing the amount of waste we produce by reducing our consumption,
- Promoting reuse, recycling and proper disposal of goods,
- Reviewing supplier products,

- Shifting towards electronic means of communication.

## Transport

The ATCUAE is promoting public and shared transportation as the main means of travel to and from events to reduce traffic generation and its associated environmental impacts.

## Application

All staff, volunteers and other stakeholders have access to this policy and it should be referred to in decision-making and throughout team meetings.

## Monitoring and Review

The effectiveness of this policy will be monitored and amended by the UAEMOC as necessary. The policy will be reviewed every year.

## Accommodation

### Park Inn Hotel by Radisson – Dubai Motor City

#### Property Location

With a stay at Park Inn by Radisson Dubai Motor City in Dubai (Beach & Coast), you'll be close to Dubai Autodrome and Arabian Ranches Golf Club. This hotel is within close proximity of Dubailand and Dubai Sports City.

#### Rooms

Make yourself at home in one of the 146 air-conditioned rooms featuring minibars. Complimentary wireless Internet access keeps you connected, and cable programming is available for your entertainment. Conveniences include safes and desks, and housekeeping is provided daily.

#### Amenities

Enjoy a range of recreational amenities, including an outdoor pool, a sauna, and a 24-hour fitness center. Additional amenities at this hotel include complimentary wireless Internet access, concierge services, and babysitting/childcare (surcharge).

#### Dining

Enjoy a meal at a restaurant, or stay in and take advantage of the hotel's 24-hour room service. While enjoying a refreshing dip in the hotel pool, you can order your favorite drink at the poolside bar.



## Business, Other Amenities

Featured amenities include a 24-hour business center, dry cleaning/laundry services, and a 24-hour front desk. Planning an event in Dubai? This hotel has 1421 square feet (132 square meters) of space consisting of conference space and meeting rooms. Free valet parking is available onsite.

We **are negotiating** special rates for our competitors and guests as per the below:

Room Type	Standard Room Rate		Superior Room Rates		Junior Suite rate	
	Single	Double	Single	Double	Single	Double
Price in AED/ Night	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>	<b>TBD</b>

Above rates are:

- Subject to 5 % Vat , 10% Municipality , 10% Service Charges and 15 AED tourism fees per room per night
- Free Wi-Fi , Breakfast and Valet Parking

Please click **TBD** to access the special rate form.

## Media Information

**TBD**

## Insurance

The entry fee includes cover for civil liability of the competitor from the Start of Documentation until retirement/exclusion, the limit for protests and appeals, post event Scrutineering.

Competitive vehicles (non GCC) are covered for Civil Liability towards Third Parties (Road Legal), from (and including) 03<sup>rd</sup> March 2019 to (and including) 11<sup>th</sup> March 2019. A separate fee may be charged for each service vehicle requiring insurance, at the organizers discretion.

This cover provides for a maximum liability, in respect of any one claim or series of claims resulting from one accident, of Dh 5,000,000.

Damages to rally and/or service cars as well as the liability of a crew member towards other crew members are not covered by the insurance provided by the organizers.

Repatriation and medical insurance is included in the entry fee to a level of €150,000.



### **Pertinent Insurance Related Requirements**

Competitors are reminded that Service Vehicles that are registered overseas are not insured in the UAE. The Organiser is able to ensure such vehicles for the duration of the event, provided that said vehicle/are registered with the organisation utilising the official event SERVICE VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM and notably, also submitting a clearly scanned colour copy of the vehicle registration certificate (all pages/both sides). All documents will be verified at Administrative Checks. Competitors are furthermore reminded that UAE Rental Vehicles and all insurance related obligations are the sole responsibility of the competitor.

## International Liaison Offices

**TBD**

## Entry Fees

### Dubai, Abu Dhabi Entry Incentive

To encourage greater entries at the two international events in the UAE, it has been agreed that any competitor participating in the two events in 2019 (Dubai International Baja and Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge) will be entitled to a 20% discount on the entry fee for the SECOND event (service and media fees are not included).

This refund of 20% of the entry fee will only be refunded once the competitor has been confirmed to start both events. The refunds will be processed by the ATCUAE.

This discount is applied upon the competitor, not the vehicle. For example, a competitor who does each of the events in a different vehicle will be entitled to a discount, while one vehicle which is used by a different competitor on each event will not be entitled to a discount. Crews will be allowed to change co-drivers between events without it affecting their discounts. **\*PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DISCOUNT DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY ADDITIONAL RELATED COSTS, I.E. INSURANCE, SERVICE CREW REGISTRATION, ETC.\***

## Auto

FIA titles for which the rally counts:

- World Cup for Drivers,
- World Cup for Co-Drivers,
- World Cup for Teams,
- FIA Cup for T2 drivers



- FIA Cup for T2 teams
- FIA Cup for T3 drivers
- FIA Cup for T3 teams
- FIA Trophy for drivers of two-wheel drive cars
- FIA Trophy for two-wheel drive cars Manufacturers

A National Class, for vehicles not in conformity of international regulations for T1, T2, and T3 vehicles and not counting towards FIA World Cup points, will also be included in the event.

The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fees or by a receipt issued by the competitor's National Sporting Authority.

	AUTO			TRUCK		
	UAE	GCC	Overseas	UAE	GCC	Overseas
Tracking and Timing (Sporttraxx) - *A deposit of €300 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF) - *A deposit of €1,700 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment	X	X	X	X	X	X
Public Liability Insurance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
3rd Party (off Highway) Insurance	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Repatriation Insurance	X	✓	✓	X	✓	✓
3rd Party (on Highway) Insurance	X	X	✓	X	X	✓
Brunch Function Ticket	2	2	2	3	3	3
Catering and use of Facilities	2	2	2	3	3	3
Merchandise	2	2	2	3	3	3
Fuel	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓	✓
Entry Fee (AED)	<b>5500</b>	<b>8260</b>	<b>11000</b>	<b>8000</b>	<b>13000</b>	<b>19000</b>
<i>Entry Fee (USD)</i>	<b>1500</b>	<b>2250</b>	<b>3000</b>	<b>2200</b>	<b>3600</b>	<b>5200</b>

\* Entry fees valid to 10/01/2019 - thereafter +20% until the close of entries.

All entries MUST be submitted to [entry@atcuae.ae](mailto:entry@atcuae.ae) before the closing date of 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

The AUTO entry form can be downloaded from [HERE](#).



## **Pertinent (AUTO) Entry Related Requirements**

When the organizer submits the entry list for approval of the FIA, it is obliged to include all FIA Technical Passport numbers (TT-XX-XXX) and, for T2 and T4 vehicles only, all FIA Homologation Form numbers.

If the competing vehicle is new, please note that the competitor is obliged to submit a scanned copy of the new FIA Technical Passport proving that the vehicle has been pre-checked by a qualified ASN in the country of origin/registration (as per the regulations – see Art. 4.14 of 2019 CCR GP).

Lastly, in addition to the fully completed and signed Entry Application Form, it is essential to send legible scanned copies of;

- FIA Entrants License (if applicable/different from Driver/Co-Driver),
- ID photographs of Driver & Co-Driver,
- Valid Driving License of Driver & Co-Driver (front and back),
- FIA Competition Licences of Driver & Co-Driver,
- ASN Starting Permission/No Objection Letter (Overseas licenced only),
- Passports of Driver & Co-Driver (Overseas domiciled only),
- Residence Visas for Driver & Co-driver (UAE domiciled competitors only),
- Valid registration document of competing vehicle (front and back/all pages),
- Written authorisation from vehicle owner for the Driver & Co-Driver to use the vehicle in competition (if vehicle is not owned by member of competing crew),
- ATA Vehicle Carnet signed by relevant authority in country of origin,
- First page of FIA Homologation document (T2 vehicles only),

\* Please note that competitors who are unable to provide the requested scanned documentation, without any lawful cause, may not appear on the published entry list.

## **Moto**

FIM titles for which the rally counts:

- FIM Bajas World Cup 450cc (riders and manufacturers)
- FIM Bajas World Cup (only riders):
  - Quads
  - Women
  - Junior

A separate class will be run for bikes above the capacity of 450cc as required by the FIM World Championship. Those entered into this class will not be eligible for points in the FIM world Championship.





The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fees or by a receipt issued by the competitor's National Sporting Authority.

	MOTO		
	UAE	GCC	Overseas
Tracking and Timing (Sporttraxx) - *A deposit of €300 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment	✓	✓	✓
Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF) - *A deposit of €1,700 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment	X	X	X
Public Liability Insurance	✓	✓	✓
3rd Party (off Highway) Insurance			
Repatriation Insurance	X	✓	✓
3rd Party (on Highway) Insurance	X	X	✓
Brunch Function Ticket	1	1	1
Catering and use of Facilities	1	1	1
FIM Single Event License	✓	X	X
Merchandise	1	1	1
Fuel	✓	✓	✓
Entry Fee (AED)	<b>2930</b>	<b>3850</b>	<b>4260</b>
<i>Entry Fee (USD)</i>	<b>800</b>	<b>1050</b>	<b>1160</b>

\* Entry fees valid to 10/01/2019 - thereafter +20% until the close of entries.

All entries MUST be submitted to [entry@atcuae.ae](mailto:entry@atcuae.ae) before the closing date of 17<sup>th</sup> February 2019.

The MOTO entry form can be downloaded from **TBD**.

## Navigation and Safety Equipment

### Tracking and Timing

Following a successful usage in 2016, 2017 & 2018 the DIB will again use timing and tracking system provided by rally specialists Sporttraxx. The system will utilize GSM based tracking.

The cost of the Tracking and Timing system has been integrated into the Entry Fee. No additional brackets or cables need to be purchased for this system. For motorcyclists, the main device will be fixed on the bike and the small wireless remote control will be carried on their person. For cars it will be fixed



to the vehicles roll cage and the remote control will be accessible on the dashboard. No external antenna is required. The internal batteries last for the entire duration of the event.

Competitors will be required to lodge a deposit of €300 at event registration; afore-mentioned deposit will be reimbursed upon the safe return of the Tracking and Timing Equipment.

## Navigation and Sentinel

The DIB will continue working with ERTF to provide navigation and sentinel for competitors. The cost of these devices is **NOT** included in the Entry Fee and must be paid directly to ERTF.

### AUTO

Information about the ERTF system for AUTOs can be read [HERE](#).

Please download the AUTO order Form [HERE](#) and email to [competition@ertf.com](mailto:competition@ertf.com) before the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

### MOTO

Information about the ERTF system for MOTOs can be read [HERE](#).

Please download the MOTO order Form [HERE](#) and email to [competition@ertf.com](mailto:competition@ertf.com) before the 22<sup>nd</sup> February 2019.

## Prizes

The following trophies will be awarded at the Ceremonial Finish on the evening of 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019:

### Auto

<b>1<sup>st</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>2<sup>nd</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>3<sup>rd</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>4<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>5<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>6<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>7<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>8<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>9<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)
<b>10<sup>th</sup> Overall</b>	(Two trophies)



Class Awards:

**1<sup>st</sup> in each Class** (Two trophies)

Other Awards:

**Best All Ladies Team** (Two trophies)

**Team Award** (One trophy)

**Two-Wheel Drive Trophy for Drivers** (Two trophies)

**Two-Wheel Drive Trophy for Manufacturers** (One trophies)

**GCC Competitors\*\***

**1st Place** (Two trophy)

**2nd Place** (Two trophy)

**3rd Place** (Two trophy)

## Moto

For each FIM Class: 450, Junior, Quad and Women,

**1st Place** (one trophy)

**2nd Place** (one trophy)

**3rd Place** (one trophy)

Other Awards:

**Over 450cc\***

**1st Place** (one trophy)

**2nd Place** (one trophy)

**3rd Place** (one trophy)

**Team Award** (five trophies)

**GCC Competitors\*\***

**1st Place** (one trophy)

**2nd Place** (one trophy)

**3rd Place** (one trophy)

*\*Not counting towards any FIM World Championship or World Cup, as per 2019 FIM Baja's regulations and general prescriptions.*

**\*\*Additional classification will be drawn among competitors who hold Gulf/UAE competition licenses.**

## Service Info

Please complete the service crew/vehicle registration form [HERE](#) and send back to [entry@atcuae.ae](mailto:entry@atcuae.ae) along with your competitor entry forms.

Please note that the DIB will no longer organize UAE visas for Service Crews. Instead an 'Invite Letter' can be prepared upon request.

Additionally, please also complete and return the relevant payment summary below:

[UAE Entries](#)

[GCC Entries](#)

[Overseas Entries](#)

## Shipping and Customs



The official shipping partner for the event is Gulf Agency Company (Dubai) LLC (GAC), who are headquartered in Dubai and industry renowned experts in logistics.

They will provide a full logistics service from your port of origin, including Insurance, shipping and customs clearance. For details on their Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs), please see [HERE](#);

OCEAN

GAC, and their associate offices, are the only official logistics partner for the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge, and we cannot guarantee cooperation with any other companies.

GAC have committed to providing shipping options for the following origins/ destinations:

- *Genoa, Italy,*
- *Durban, South Africa*
- *Marseilles, France*
- *Felixstowe/ Southampton, UK*
- *Hamburg/ Bremerhaven, Germany*
- *Sydney/ Freemantle, Australia*

For the Contact Info of GACs agents in these ports, please see the document [HERE](#). GAC can also offer shipping via sea or air from any location around the world.



For details of estimated shipping times and departure dates from each location, please see the document [HERE](#).

For a shipping quotation, please contact the GAC Project Manager Mr. Sudesh Chaturvedi in Dubai at [projects.dubai@gac.com](mailto:projects.dubai@gac.com) who will be able to put you in contact with the GAC office / agent in your region.

For those flying vehicles into a UAE airport and requiring assistance with customs clearance, please note that GAC can assist. See [HERE](#) for AIR procedures.

## Shipping Container Sharing

The organisers have compiled container sharing options in conjunction with the following Shipping Agents;

- [EQUINOX](#)
- [IMPECO](#)



### ***Pertinent Shipping Related Requirements***

**PLEASE NOTE THAT ATA CARNET IS COMPULSORY FOR TEMPORARY IMPORTATION IN UAE UNDER ATCUAE EVENTS.**

***A copy of the ATA CARNET (signed by the authorities of the country of the Competitor) will be requested by ATCUAE to prepare the temporary customs documents and facilitate the temporary import with the Shipping Agents. NO OTHERS DOCUMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.***

***A copy of the FINAL AIR WAYBILL (transportation by air) or BILL OF LADING (transportation by sea) and a copy of the vehicle registration need to be attached with the ATA Carnet.***

## Itinerary

**TBD**

## Location Maps

**TBD**



## Petrol & Diesel

### **FUEL STATION AT DUBAI AUTODROME CIRCUIT**

Fuel will be available for purchase at DUBAI AUTODROME Circuit.

95, 98 Octane and diesel will be provided from the pumps.

The **FUEL STATION** (adjacent to Pits/Paddock DUBAI AUTODROME Rally HQ) will be open from;

- **Tuesday 05<sup>th</sup> March to Saturday 09<sup>th</sup> March 2019.**
- The exact hours of operation will be confirmed & communicated in the days leading up to the commencement of event formalities.

***Bookings/Tickets/Fuel Vouchers/Payment Procedures will be confirmed & communicated in the weeks leading up to the commencement of event formalities.***

## Pre-Event Shakedown Stage

Specific details and procedures for utilisation of Organisers pre-arranged Shakedown stage will be publicised during the weeks prior to the event. A map with the location will be available at Rally HQ. Teams making use of the facility will be responsible for arranging all safety aspects, etc. themselves and need to remain wary that the location could be in use by more than one team simultaneously.

**One week prior to the commencement of event Documentation, please register your intention to utilize the facility by sending an e-mail to [xc@atcuae.ae](mailto:xc@atcuae.ae).**

## General Information

### Time zone

Dubai falls within Gulf Standard Time (GST), which is UTC/GMT +4 hours.

### UAE Visit Visas

If you are a national citizen of a GCC country you do not require a visa to visit the UAE. You will simply need to produce your GCC country passport or ID card upon arrival at the point of entry into the UAE.

Residents of the below 52 countries are entitled to a free 30 day tourist visa on arrival in the UAE.



Andorra	Czech Republic	Ireland	Monaco	Russian	Switzerland
Argentina	Denmark	Italy	Netherlands	Federation	Ukraine
Australia	Estonia	Japan	New Zealand	San Marino	UK
Austria	Finland	Latvia	Norway	Seychelles	USA
Belgium	France	Liechtenstein	People's	Singapore	Vatican City
Brunei	Germany	Lithuania	Republic of	Slovakia	
Bulgaria	Greece	Luxembourg	China	Slovenia	
Canada	Hong Kong	Malaysia	Poland	South Korea	
Croatia	Hungary	Malta	Portugal	Spain	
Cyprus	Iceland	Mauritius	Romania	Sweden	

All other Nationalities must procure a visa prior to travelling to the UAE.

## Currencies

The local Currency is UAE Dirham (AED) = 100 fils.

The Dirham is tied to the US Dollar.

Most hotels will handle the exchange of foreign currency.

Exchange rate indications at the date of publishing:

- USD 1.00 = 3.67 AED
- EUR 1.00 = 4.39 AED
- GBP 1.00 = 4.96 AED

These rates are accurate as of 01<sup>st</sup> November 2019.

The import and export of both local and foreign currency are unrestricted. Amounts over AED 40,000 must be declared with the Customs.

Credit & debit cards: American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are widely accepted.

Traveler's cheques: are widely accepted. To avoid additional exchange rate charges, travelers are advised to take traveler's cheques in US Dollars or Pounds Sterling.

Banking hours: Sat-Wed 0800-1300, Thurs 0800-1200. Some also open Sat-Wed 1630-1800.

## Water

The tap water is heavily purified and safe to drink, but we would recommend the locally bottled mineral water (e.g. Al Ain Water).

## Electricity

The electricity supply is 220/240 volts and 50 cycles; the socket type is the same as the three pin British system; most hotels have adapters for electrical appliances.

## Fuel

Diesel and gasoline are allowed. Petrol stations in the UAE are numerous and run by a variety of companies.

Most offer extra services, such as car wash, oil change. Almost all of them have small supermarkets.

The majority of visitors will find petrol far cheaper than in their home countries, prices range from AED 2.04 per liter for Special (95 octane), AED 2.24 per liter for Super (98 octane) to AED 2.33 per liter for diesel.

Vehicles with valid door plates will be permitted access to the fueling tanker in the bivouac at no additional cost; however it is not permitted to fill any jerry cans or containers.

## Transportation

You can enter the Bivouac with a regular car, although 4x4 vehicles would be required for driving in the dunes. The organizers insist that only experienced desert drivers take vehicles off road. Only vehicles with valid door plates from the event will be permitted in the bivouac.

## Crew

Competitors, Service Crews, Media, Officials and Organization personnel will all be identified with colored wrist-bands and ID badges.

## Telecommunications

There are two telecommunication services providers in the UAE: Etisalat & Du.

The telecommunication tariffs are reasonably competitive.

The international dialing code of the UAE is +971.

## Driving rules

To drive in the UAE, you must hold an International Driving Permit and a driving license issued in your country of residence, or a driving license issued by a GCC country. Those on a non-UAE driving license are not permitted to drive privately owned vehicles in the UAE, only rental vehicles (competitive vehicles exempt).

In the UAE you drive on the right hand side of the road. It is mandatory to wear seatbelts.

Most of the roads are monitored by both fixed and movable radars. Speed limits are usually 60-80 km around town and 100-120 km on the freeways. The speeding fines vary depending on the excess speed level.

The Traffic Police exercise a zero tolerance on drinking and driving!



If you are involved in a traffic accident, however minor, your car MUST stay in position and you MUST remain at the scene whilst awaiting the Traffic Police (by calling 999). All insurance claims require a police report to be processed.

## Airports

It is worth taking a look at the websites of the airports where you will be arriving to learn about the facilities, regular and e-services and value added features:

- Dubai International Airport: [www.dubaiairport.com](http://www.dubaiairport.com)
- Abu Dhabi International Airport: [www.abudhabiairport.ae/english/](http://www.abudhabiairport.ae/english/)

The following items may be imported into the United Arab Emirates without incurring customs duty:

2000 cigarettes and 400 cigars and 2kg of tobacco; 2l of spirits of more than 22 per cent alcohol, and 2l of wine (non-Muslims over 18 years only); a reasonable amount of perfume for personal use.

Prohibited items: firearms and dangerous weapons, drugs, religious propaganda, pornographic materials, unstrung pearls except for personal use, raw seafood (only when visiting Dubai and/or Sharjah), fruit and vegetables from cholera-infected areas, a number of medications (if you are on a medication please, check whether it is allowed in the UAE before you leave).

## Tyre Changing Services @ DUBAI AUTODROME

We are pleased to recommend the services of our partners DRAGON RACING who have taken occupancy of its new facility - "Garage 88"; situated within the confines of the new Dubai Autodrome Technology Park. The world-class 5000 square foot facility is situated alongside other automotive professionals and represents the permanent home of Dragon Racing's expanding tyre business. Garage 88 can offer state of the art tyre fitting/changing service in addition to competitive rates across multiple brands of all performance and competition tyres.

## Breakdown Services

For the round the clock roadside assistance (mechanical repair, towing services, battery boosting, fixing a flat tire, lockout service, emergency fuel delivery) throughout the U.A.E you may contact Arabian Automobile Association (AAA) at a Toll Free number 800 4 900.

## Emergency Services & Numbers

- Ambulance & Police – 999
- Electricity & Water – 991
- Emergency Services (Dubai) – 04 2232323
- Fire – 997

## Healthcare and Medical facilities

The general standard of healthcare in the UAE is high, both in the public and private sectors, although private hospitals have some distinct advantages (predominantly English-speaking, less waiting time, less cultural restrictions).

Medical facilities are of a very high quality but are extremely expensive. Private health insurance is essential, and highly recommended.

Pharmacies are open Saturday-Thursday from 0830-13:30 and 1630-2230, Fridays 1630-2230. Quite a few are open 24 hours.

## Photography

Normal tourist photography is acceptable, but it is courteous to ask permission before photographing people. Do not take photos of the Arabic women.

In general, photographs of government buildings, military installations, ports and airports should not be taken.

## Vehicle spares and services and franchises

We recommend to use the services and to buy the spares from the official car dealers of the UAE.