

- 20.1.2. Only those crews, which have passed the administrative checks, may present themselves with their vehicle equipped with its rally plates and rally numbers at scrutineering.
- 20.1.3. Vehicles may be presented at scrutineering by a representative of the team unless otherwise detailed in the Supplementary Regulations.
- 20.1.4. Scrutineering will be of a general nature, checking the make and model of the vehicle, apparent conformity with the class in which it is entered, conformity of the safety items, conformity of the vehicle with the Traffic Law, etc.
- 20.1.5. At scrutineering, competitors must present all personal safety items and the required equipment intended to be used. The details are described in the Supplementary and Technical regulations.
- 20.1.6. Change of classes/ categories at the time of scrutineering, if a vehicle as presented does not correspond to the category and/or class in which it was entered, the Stewards may transfer it to the appropriate class recommended by the Chief Scrutineer or refuse it definitively.
- 20.1.7. If scrutineering is followed by a Parc Fermé, a member of the team may take the vehicle into that Parc Ferme.

20.2. TIMETABLE

- 20.2.1. A timetable for scrutineering, including the sealing of components and checking the weight of vehicles, shall be issued in the Supplementary Regulations or in a Bulletin.
- 20.2.2. Any crew reporting to scrutineering outside the time limits prescribed in the regulations will not be allowed to start, except in a case of force majeure duly recognized as such by the Stewards.

21. SEALING AND MARKING

For events where sealing and marking of components is required, the details for it will be published in the Supplementary Regulations.

22. CHECKS DURING THE EVENT

22.1. ADDITIONAL CHECKS

Checks on safety and required items, may be carried out at any time during the event at the sole discretion and upon the instruction of the Chief Scrutineer, with the knowledge of the Stewards.

22.2. CHECKS IN PARC FERMÉ/BIVOUAC

Technical checks may be carried out within the parc fermé/Bivouac by the scrutineers.

22.3. RESPONSIBILITY OF THE COMPETITOR

- 22.3.1. The competitor is responsible for the technical conformity of his vehicle throughout the event.
- 22.3.2. Should identification marks be affixed, it is the responsibility of the competitor to see that these are preserved intact from pre-event scrutineering until the end of the event or until it is allowed by these regulations to cut the seals. Should they be missing, or any fraud discovered, this will be reported to the Stewards.
- 22.3.3. It is also the responsibility of the competitor to see that any part of the vehicle, which has been handled during checking, is reinstalled correctly.
- 22.3.4. Where mud flaps are required, they must always be in place and efficient. In the exceptional case of Selective Sections running **solely on sand**, and only when specified in the Supplementary Regulations, mud flaps are optional.

23. FINAL CHECKS / PARC FERME

If foreseen, the details about the Final Checks will be published in the Supplementary regulations.

DRIVING CONDUCT AND RECONNAISSANCE

24. BEHAVIOUR

24.1. GENERAL RULES

- 24.1.1. Crews must always behave in a sporting manner.
- 24.1.2. Crews must always drive in the direction of the Selective Section (except solely to effect a turn round).
- 24.1.3. It is prohibited to deliberately block a competitor or prevent them from overtaking.
- 24.1.4. When vehicles are subject to Parc fermé rules, they may be moved only by crews and officials; at all other times anyone may push a vehicle by hand.
- 24.1.5. A vehicle unable to move under its own means may be towed or pushed by another competitor still in the competition. Exceptionally, on Selective Sections vehicles may be towed or pushed by anybody in order to bring them back onto the event route or to clear the event route.
- 24.1.6. In a control zone at the start of a Leg or the start of a Selective Section, the vehicle may be pushed through the zone by the crew and marshals. The competitor will be deemed to have started the road section or Selective Section at its scheduled time.
- 24.1.7. It is forbidden to transport a vehicle by any means (truck, trailer, etc.), except in sections where this is allowed, noted by at the driver's briefing or in the itinerary.