

26.4. TECHNICAL REQUIREMENTS

Before the shakedown the vehicles must pass scrutineering. If there is a marking and sealing of parts, those parts mentioned in these regulations must be marked or sealed.

26.5. BREAKDOWN DURING SHAKEDOWN

A competitor whose vehicle breaks down during the shakedown shall nevertheless be required to attend the ceremonial start (if any).

26.6. EQUIPMENT OF DRIVER AND PASSENGER ON BOARD

During the shakedown, any person on board must wear the personal safety equipment and all obligatory equipment must be on board. Safety harness must be correctly fastened. Any infringement will be penalized.

26.7. SERVICE DURING SHAKEDOWN

Service may be carried out only outside the shakedown route, unless otherwise permitted in the Supplementary Regulations of the event.

STARTS AND RE-STARTS

27. CEREMONIAL START

A ceremonial start may be organized to improve the promotional and media interest of the event. The start interval and order for a ceremonial start are at the discretion of the Organizer. The schedule and the place of any ceremony must be indicated in the Supplementary Regulations. Were a crew in its competing vehicle is unable to participate in the ceremonial start, it shall be permitted to start the remainder of the event at its allocated start time, provided that the Stewards are notified and subject to passing the necessary scrutineering checks. The crew concerned must still attend the ceremonial start at their due time.

28. START OF THE COMPETITION**28.1. START AREA**

Before the start of the competition element of the event, the Organizer may assemble all the competing vehicles in a starting area, into which vehicles must be driven before the start time as detailed in the Supplementary Regulations. The exclusively pecuniary penalties for late arrival in the starting area shall be specified in the Supplementary Regulations.

No service is allowed in the start area.

28.2. MAXIMUM LATENESS AT A START OF A LEG

Any crew reporting more than 30 minutes late at the start of a leg from their due time (the first time control of the current Leg) shall not be allowed to start that leg and will be deemed to have retired from the leg. In calculating such lateness time, the actual time and not the penalty time (10 seconds per minute) applies.

The crew may be allowed to start after authorization of the Clerk of the Course and receiving a penalty.

29. START ORDER AND INTERVALS**29.1. START ORDER LEG 1**

- 29.1.1.** The crews will start by the increasing order of the competition numbers.
- 29.1.2.** If the organizer has created Priority starting groups, they will start in front of the rest in their groups.

29.2. SUBSEQUENT LEG

- 29.2.1.** The start order for subsequent legs shall be based on the classification according to the Selective Section time(s) of the previous leg and the Priority starting group rules if applicable.
- 29.2.2.** The Clerk of the Course, when drawing up the starting order, must consider only any sporting penalties that a competitor has incurred for infringements (missed PC, missed waypoint, false starts, speeding, etc.) committed during the Selective Section, and which will be added to the time of the Selective Section(s) concerned.
- 29.2.3.** Penalties imposed on any road sections shall be added to the general classification of the leg covered.
- 29.2.4.** In case of a dead heat, priority will be given to the crew which achieved the time first.

29.3. REPOSITIONING OF DRIVERS

- 29.3.1.** The Clerk of the Course may, for safety reasons and with the knowledge of the Stewards, reposition drivers or change the time interval between vehicles.
- 29.3.2.** All competitors may be reseeded at the sole discretion of the Stewards.

29.4. PRIORITY STARTING GROUPS

Based on their previous classifications and performance in selected events, the drivers may be divided in to priority starting groups. These selected drivers will start before the others in their categories and classes. The Clerk of the course may reposition the