

Each competitor is reminded that he/she is jointly and severally responsible for his/her service teams and accompanying people. Racing crews can incur penalties, which can lead up to the exclusion from the rally if their service members do not respect these Regulations.

Only vehicles / people officially entered in the rally or as service vehicles / people are authorized to transport assistance materials. As service vehicles will be considered all vehicles accompanying the racing team (camper, vehicle for transportation of assistance materials with the exception of the racing vehicle).

Service vehicles will receive the official stickers of the rally. The positioning of these stickers must comply with the official Sticker Plan.

#### 46.5. SERVICE VEHICLES ARE REQUIRED TO:

- Acquire the entry rights before the entries closing date, by filling in the corresponding online entry form.
- Have a service number and the event sponsor stickers supplied by the Organization.
- Respect the regulations, the orders of the Officials and Marshals.

#### 47. SERVICE AREAS (SERVICE PARKS AND BIVOUACS)

##### 47.1. SERVICE PARK IDENTIFICATION

Service parks are indicated in the event itinerary with a time control at the entrance and exit (the 25 m distance referred to in Appendix I shall be reduced to 5 m).

##### 47.2. GENERAL CONDITIONS

- 47.2.1. The location of service areas and the distances between them for both competitors and service vehicles must be detailed in the Rally Guide or in the Supplementary Regulations.
- 47.2.2. A groundsheet should be used (a minimum of 1 meter longer and wider than the vehicle in running order).
- 47.2.3. Organizers may set up a Flexi-Service to restrict the amount of service time available and then put vehicles into a parc fermé.
- 47.2.4. Inside the service park, it is permitted for officials, marshals and/or team personnel to tow, transport or push a vehicle.

##### 47.3. SPEED INSIDE SERVICE PARKS / BIVOUACS

The speed of vehicles in the service parks/bivouacs may not exceed 30 kph, or less when specified in the Supplementary Regulations. Failure to comply with this limit shall result in a penalty applied by the Clerk of the Course as follows: 10 seconds per kilometer per hour over the speed limit.

#### 48. EMPTYING AND/OR REFILLING THE TANK IN THE SERVICE PARK / BIVOUAC

When necessary as part of service (i.e. changing of fuel tank, changing of fuel pump, changing of fuel filter, changing of any other item of the fuel circuit), emptying and/or refilling is permitted in a service park provided that:

- the work is carried out with the knowledge of the Organizer;
- fire extinguisher with operator on standby to be provided by the competitor;
- no other work is carried out on the vehicle while the fuel circuit is open and/or during the emptying and/or refilling operation;
- a safety perimeter of minimum 3 m is established around the vehicle;
- Only enough fuel is added to reach the next refueling zone.

#### 49. FLEXI-SERVICE

##### 49.1. GENERAL

Flexi-servicing of a time stipulated in the Supplementary Regulations shall permit the removal of the competing vehicles from a parc fermé to an adjacent service park (bivouac), with common entry and exit time controls. Any variations must be published in the Supplementary Regulations. Technical checks lasting 10 minutes must be included in the parc fermé before the flexi-service that takes place before an overnight regroup.

The operational window of flexi-servicing time, starting from the arrival of the first vehicle into the parc fermé, is left to the discretion of the Organizer but must be declared on the event itinerary.

##### 49.2. RUNNING OF FLEXI-SERVICE AND TIME SCHEDULE

- 49.2.1. For the operation of flexi-servicing, crews will first enter the parc fermé.
- 49.2.2. Crews may then either enter the service park or leave their vehicle in the parc fermé. Should a vehicle be unable to be re-started and driven under its own power from the parc fermé to the service area before the flexi service, the marshals and/or team personnel shall be permitted to push or tow the vehicle to its dedicated service bay.
- 49.2.3. The competing vehicle may be driven by an authorized representative of the competitor only once, from the parc fermé to the service park and vice versa, respecting all the formalities of Timecard presentation and related penalties.
- 49.2.4. The competing vehicle may be returned, without penalty, to the parc fermé before the time stipulated in the Supplementary Regulations has elapsed.