

SA National Rally Commission (NRC) has received permission from MSA and the Department of Sport, Arts and Culture (DSAC) to resume MSA-sanctioned motorsport events, based on an approved Safety Plan by NRC the event organiser to ensure events are run in a safe and responsible manner in the Covid-19 environment. Latest is MSA General Circular 6 of 2020

The purpose of the COVID-19 Safety Plan is to help ensure that we actively mitigate the risk of COVID-19 in line with the best available health advice.

About COVID-19

COVID-19 is spread from person to person through close contact and droplets including:

- Direct contact with an infected person
- Contact with droplets from an infected person's cough or sneeze.
- Touching contaminated objects or surfaces (like doorknobs, tables, equipment etc.) and then touching your mouth or face.

As COVID-19 is spread person-to-person through coughing, sneezing, touching contaminated surfaces, and close contact with infected individuals, there is a need to remain vigilant with cleaning and sanitising regimes at all times and to take extra care with maintaining and promoting safe hygiene practices.

The most effective measures are good hygiene practices, additional sanitisation regimes, social distancing and keeping away from others if unwell.

WASHING HANDS AND SANITISING

- Regular hand washing is a great way to prevent the spread of germs and the virus.
- Wash hands with soap and water or an alcohol-based handsanitiser.

Increased cleaning and sanitation regime

- It is important to ensure regular cleaning of common contact surfaces, 'high touch' items and shared amenities, such as handles, work surfaces and equipment.
- NB: 70% alcohol-based sanitisers are highly flammable. Caution therefore must be taken at all times.

FACE MASKS

It is mandatory to wear face masks in public.

- Facemasks need to be worn and cleaned properly.
- The facemask must cover the nose and mouth completely. Facemasks should not be lowered when speaking, coughing or sneezing.

PHYSICAL DISTANCING

Physical distancing (also known as social distancing) is one of the most effective methods of reducing the spread of viruses. The more space between you and others the harder it is for the virus to spread.

- Handshakes, hugs and other forms of close contact are prohibited. Always maintain a distance of at least two metres from others.
- A minimum distance is deemed to be between 1.5 to 2 metres at all times.

INTEGRITY

Having been granted the opportunity to resume our sport it is important that we all respect the guidelines and procedures put in place to minimise risk.

PROTOCOLS AND REGULATIONS AS PER MSA GENERAL CIRCULAR 6 OF 2020

The TAPKAR RALLY SPRINT is a Closed Club (Social) event.

NO SPECTATORS WILL BE ALLOWED

NO PERSONS UNDER THE AGE OF 18 UNLESS A COMPETITOR

NUMBER OF CREW PER VEHICLE

An absolute minimum of team personnel is to attend per competition vehicle:

- A maximum of SEVEN (7) pre-approved persons, which include the driver, navigator and crew per entry will be allowed onto the event premises after successful completion of the daily temperature screening process of all personnel.
- Names, surname, ID number and contact details of each individual person must be submitted by no later than **Monday**, **6 September 2021**.

PRE-EVENT REQUIREMENTS

- All pre-event documentation is to be done electronically to prevent in-person contact as far as possible.
- Online entries must be submitted by no later than Monday, 6 September 2021.
- NO ENTRY WILL BE ACCEPTED WITHOUT THE SPECIFIED DOCUMENTATION BEING COMPLETED IN ADVANCE OF THE EVENT AND BY NO LATER THAN WEDNESDAY, 8 SEPTEMBER 2021.

All persons permitted to be present at an event shall be required to complete the following designated COVID-19 related forms:

i. Attendance Register Questionnaire

ii. Daily Screening Questionnaire

TEMPERATURE SCREENING

Temperature-screening is compulsory on Saturday and will be conducted by MIBERN MED-CALL on all persons prior to being allowed entry to the venue.

Under no circumstances shall anyone with symptoms consistent with COVID-19 (such as fever, respiratory symptoms, shortness of breath, sore throat, cough, fatigue or lack of sense of smell) or who has tested positive for COVID-19, be admitted to a motorsport event.

Should any person/s record a temperature indicative of potential COVID-19 signs they will be referred to the isolation area located in the identified white gazebo. All other occupants travelling in the same vehicle will be required to remain in their crew vehicle at the main entrance until such time as the potential risk patron has been retested.

Re-screening will be conducted after 15 minutes. Should the re-screening deliver a negative result, this person and all other members in the crew vehicle will be granted permission to enter the venue. Should the person after re-screening still deliver a positive result the person must be referred to the coronavirus hotline – 0800 029 999 - for further instructions, which may include being referred for COVID-19 testing. The entire crew vehicle will be asked to return home and self-isolate.

Under no circumstances shall anyone attend a motorsport event if they have been

- Diagnosed with COVID-19 in the previous 14 days.
- Been in contact with a known COVID-19 positive case in the previous 14 days.
- A complete register of event attendees and their contact details will be compiled for contact tracing purposes should this prove necessary.
- Any person with a recorded temperature of 37.5 degrees or higher will be denied access to the event and will be advised to return home, self-isolate and contact the government's coronavirus hotline 0800 029 999 for further instructions, which may include being referred for COVID-19 testing.

- If one (1) person in a crew vehicle, fails the screening process then all personnel in the crew vehicle will not be allowed entry to the premises.
- The temperature screening will be located at the main entrance to the Service Park at JJ Potgieter Farm, Delmas. Pre-race screening will be operational as follows:
 Saturday, 11 September 07:00 10:00

Please note temperature screening is mandatory.

Rally HQ Venue will be thoroughly cleaned and disinfected prior to commencement of the event on Saturday, 11 September 2021.

ACCESS PASSES

Access passes will be issued to individuals on a daily basis, as per list submitted. Any person not on the list will be denied access.

- This list must include details of vehicle transporter driver.
- Each team will be allocated four vehicle access passes, this includes vehicle access pass for race vehicle transporter.
- Names of all vehicle drivers and occupants entering the premises to be indicated on the pre-submitted list.
- All access passes will be pre-packed per individual and only handed to the respective person on completion of the temperature screening process on each day.
- No additional passes will be available.

ON EVENT PROTOCOLS

SERVICE PARK

- Service Park allocation will take social distancing into account.
- No VIP entertaining allowed.
- Team personnel shall confine themselves to their own service areas, maintaining social distancing regulations. No socialising may take place during or after event.
- Masks must be worn at all times by all event attendees (except competitors when wearing full face crash helmets or a properly fitted fire-resistant balaclava, which must cover the mouth and nose at all times, with an open face helmet where these are permitted).
- All persons present at motorsport events shall ensure that they have access to alcohol-based hand sanitisers in order to promote hand cleanliness in the absence of soap andwater.
- COVID-19 hygiene protocols must be adopted for equipment deployment and usage amongst rally teams.
- Equipment including rally vehicles must be thoroughly cleaned with disinfectant prior to deployment.
- Equipment must be deployed and operated by one (1) person wherever possible.
- Equipment must not be share unless absolutely necessary, in which case appropriate hygiene measures must be implemented.
- No passengers (this does not apply to legitimate navigators) are allowed in competition vehicles at any time. When there are two people present in a vehicle (driver and navigator) they must ensure that there is suitable airflow through the vehicle to protect themselves from possible infection.

ABLUTIONS

- Organisers to provide ablutions according to stipulated regulations.
- Organisers to provide mobile handwash basins in ablution area.
- All equipment will be sanitised after every occupancy.

MEDIA CENTRE

Media attendance at the event will be limited to MSA-accredited working media only. Temperature-screening is compulsory.

- There will be no formal media centre in operation at the event.
- Masks must be worn at all times by all event attendees.
- Photographers to observe social distancing requirements at photography points.
- No media gathering for interview purposes is permitted.
- All event information will be distributed via the Virtual Notice Board
- All media enquiries to be directed to Rally Secretary, Henriette Jooste <u>samrallies@mweb.co.za</u> or 083 302 1974.

RALLY HQ

Rally HQ is a restricted area with access control limited to four (4) persons at any given time.

Entries and event decals

- To minimise the potential risk no in-person documentation will be required.
- All licenses will be checked and approved electronically prior to acceptance of entry.
- Confirmed entry to the venue on Saturday by the temperature screening officials will serve as the driver / navigator sign-on register having been completed by the competitors.
- Rally decals and numbers will be available at Rally HQ however, it is strongly recommended that you arrange pre-collection from Henriette Jooste well in advance of the event.

CTrack Units

- Units will be sanitised before being placed for collection on Friday.
- Units will be available on Saturday between 07:00 and 10:00.
- Units must be returned on Saturday after the event or on retirement from the event.
- No downloads of tracks unless warranted
 - a. Physically observed by Judge of Fact
 - b. CTrack information indicates potential infraction.
- Units being exchanged due to problems will be sanitised before being taken back.
- Physical checking on the start line up will NOT take place unless there is an issue.
 - a. Competitors' responsibility to ensure their start time is on the screen.

GPS

There will be no GPS downloads at the event.

Incident Report Forms

- No paper incident report forms will be handed out.
- Electronic incident report forms for Saturday will be distributed with the event Road Books.

Scrutineering

- No in-person scrutineering will be allowed.
- Self-declaration of vehicle safety and eligibility shall apply.
- Any technical inspections (whether as a result of a protest or not) must be held at a later date with the part/s in question properly sealed and stored for safekeeping by the Technical Delegate.

Technical Inspection

- Masks are compulsory.
- Social distancing is compulsory.

Technical Inspections may be carried out by the Technical Delegate if required by the Clerk of the Course.

Notice Board

There will be no physical Notice Board at Rally HQ.

- All race information including Final Instructions, Bulletins, Entry List, Start Orders, Results, etc. will be posted on the Virtual Notice Board.
- The onus is on each team to ensure they have access to the Virtual Notice Board.

Competitors Briefing

- There will be no in-person competitors briefing.
- Competitors' briefing will be electronic, and information published as a bulletin on the Virtual Notice Board

Pre-Rally Line up, Parc Ferme

- Only driver and navigator permitted.
- No social gatherings with co-competitors
- Social distancing must be strictly adhered to
- Competitors to remain in vehicles as far as possible until rally official assistance is completed.

Fire, Medical and Recovery Team Vehicles

- A maximum of two (2) people while in operation. Occupants must wear masks at all times.
- When not in operation, personnel to remain outside vehicles and maintain appropriate social distance.

Pre and Post Television Interviews

- Masks are compulsory.
- Social distancing is compulsory.

Prize Giving

There will be NO prize giving. Pre-packed and sanitised trophies will be distributed.

As soon as competitors have completed their final stage, they are to pack up their equipment and leave the venue. No post-event socialising may take place.

Protests and hearings

 Protests and Stewards hearings at events involving rally officials and competitors to be held electronically as far as practically possible to minimize in-person contact.

FOOD & BEVERAGE FACILITIES

There will be NO food and beverage facilities for the duration of the event.

- Each individual team must provide their own food and beverages. No alcohol is permitted.
- Consumption of all food and beverages to take place in allocated service bays only. No sharing of food or beverages is allowed.