

See Article 1 of FIA Standard Regulations

The UAE Desert Challenge Cross-Country rally is a restricted international event of approximately 2,000 kms, including approximately 1,400 kms of special stages. The UAE Desert Challenge is the 9<sup>th</sup> round of the 2000 FIA World Cup for Off-Road rallies

## 1P1 Organisation

The organising of the UAE Desert Challenge is undertaken by the Organising Committee of UAE Desert Challenge Ltd., with the approval of the National Sporting Authority for the UAE, The Automobile & Touring Club and in compliance with the International Sporting Code [and its Appendices] of the Federation Internationale de l'Automobile (FIA), the Standard Regulations for Cross Country Rallies, and the present Supplementary Regulations and subsequent Bulletins.

The present regulations have been approved

by ATC under **Visa No:M02/2000** dated **10/08/00** and by the FIA under **Visa No: 12RTT070800** dated **07/Aug/2000**.

The rally will be twinned with a motorcycle event in the FIM series for World Cup for Off-Road Rallies and, therefore the required interval of 30 minutes between the Cross Country event and the motorcycle event will be observed. Separate supplementary regulations for the motorcycle event are available from the organisers.

## 1P2 Rally Schedule & Programme

Opening date for entries	Mon 1st May 2000	
Closing date for entries	Mon 16 <sup>th</sup> October – 1800hrs	
Documentation/Administration	3 <sup>rd</sup> November 2000	2pm – 5pm
	4 <sup>th</sup> & 5 <sup>th</sup> November	9am – 6pm
	Mon 6 <sup>th</sup> November	8am – 5pm
Scrutineering/Technical Checks	Monday 6 <sup>th</sup> November (1845h)	
Publication of Authorised Starting List	Tue 7 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Dubai
Prologue		18.00 Hyatt
Issuing of Road Book for Leg 1		19.00 Hyatt
Prologue Results and Leg 1 Start List	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Abu Dhabi
Official Rally Start		Manasir Plateau
Start of Leg 1		16.00 Biv
Issuing of Road Book for Leg 2		19.00 Biv
Leg 1 Provisional Results/ Leg 2 Start List	Thur 9 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Western Region
Start of Leg 2		16.00 Biv
Issuing of Road Book for Leg 3		19.00 Biv
Leg 2 Provisional Results/ Leg 3 start List	Frid 10 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Rub Al Khali
Start of Leg 3		16.00 Biv
Issuing of Road Book for Leg 4		19.00 Biv
Leg 3 Part. Official Results/ Leg 4 Start List	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup> Nov	Raml Al Buhuth
Start of Leg 4		Dubai
Rally Finish at end of Leg 4		from 14.00
Final Technical Checks		19.00 Hyatt
Leg 4 / Final Provisional Classification		20.30 Hyatt
Prize-Giving Ceremony & Gala Dinner		
<u>Rally HQ and Official Noticeboards</u>	Fri 3 <sup>rd</sup> – Tue 7 <sup>th</sup>	Hyatt
	Wed 8 <sup>th</sup> – Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Bivouac
	Sat 11 <sup>th</sup>	Hyatt

### 1P3 Organising Committee

Chairman	Mohammed Ben Sulayem
Event Director	Ronan Morgan
Operations Manager	Lisa Tafft
Clerk of Course	Jehanbaz Ali Khan
Assitant Clerks of Course	Dave Hester / Moaz Sawaf
Chief Marshal	Kevin Monaghan
Assistant Chief Marshal	Hilary Monaghan
Port Clearance Officer	Ron Oakeley
Government Liaison	Ali Yousuf Al Bazzi / Mohammed Amin
Course Opening	Moaz Sawaf

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## 1P6 Officials of the Rally

Stewards of the Meeting  
 Chairman of the Stewards  
 2<sup>nd</sup> FIA Steward

FIA Observer  
 Clerk of the Course  
 Competitor Liaison  
 Safety Officer  
 FIA Technical Delegate  
 Chief Technical Scrutineer  
 Chief Medical Officer  
 Competitor Relations Officer  
 Results Officer  
 International Press Officer  
 Route Verification Team  
 Equipment Officers  
 Documentation Officer

Jonathan Ashman  
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 Mohammed Bin Saifan (UAE)  
 TBA  
 Jehanbaz Ali Khan  
 Ellie Seeman  
 Col. Dagash Al Jabri (UAE)  
 Ezio Sisti  
 Steve Bijok  
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 Elie Semaan  
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 TBA  
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 Heidi Struiksmá

### Article

## 2P

### TERMINOLOGY

See Article 2 of FIA Standard Regulations

### Article

## 3P

### REGULATIONS

See Article 3 of FIA Standard Regulations.

## 3P1 Language

In the event of differences in interpretation of these regulations the English text alone will be considered as binding

## 3P2 Contingent Responsibility

Each competitor is reminded that he is jointly and severally responsible for their service teams and accompanying persons. Any infringements of the regulations, as published by the FIA and the organisers, that are officially observed, as well as use of unauthorised equipment- whether or not

this has a direct or indirect influence on the results or sporting running of the event – will be judged by the Stewards of the Meeting who will be entitled to decide as far as the exclusion from the event of the competitor(s) involved, directly or indirectly.

## Article

## 4P

## ELIGIBLE VEHICLES

See Article 4 of FIA Standard Regulations.

## 4P1 Categories of Cars &amp; Trucks admitted

**Group T1: Production Cross-Country Cars**

Classes

- 1.1 Petrol-engine production cross-country cars
- 1.2 Diesel-engine production cross-country cars
- 1.3 Petrol-engine "Marathon" cross country cars
- 1.4 Diesel-engine "Marathon" cross country cars

**Group T2: Improved Cross-Country Cars**

Classes

- 2.1 Cross-Country Improved series – petrol
- 2.2 Cross-Country Improved series – diesel

**Group T3: Prototype Cross-Country Cars**

Classes

- 3.1 Prototype 4WD – petrol
- 3.2 Prototype 4WD – diesel
- 3.3 Prototype 2WD – petrol and SCORE US regulation vehicles

**Group T4: Series Production Cross-Country Trucks (over 3.5 tonnes)**

Classes

- 4.1 4x4 Trucks
- 4.2 6x6 Trucks

The organisers reserve the right to amalgamate the classes if less than four (4) entries are received in any specific class

**Marathon Category**

See Appendix 2 of the FIA Standard regulations for specific requirements for this category.

**Standard Non-Homologated Cars**

Standard cars which are not homologated in Group T1, or not any more homologated, may take part in the event in Group T3, with a T1 safety and preparation level, but must fully respect Article 284 (Group T1) in Appendix J. Standard Non-Homologated Cars will not qualify for points in the FIA Cross-Country World Cup or for certain prizes and awards.

## Article

## 5P

## CREWS

See Article 5 of FIA Standard Regulations

Crews made up of 1, 2 or 3 members are eligible to take part. In the case of a crew with three members, unless all of them are seated in the front, the vehicle must

have four (4) doors fitted with transparent windows.

All members of the crew (1 to 3) must have valid FIA competition licences.

## Article

## 6P

## COMPETITOR RELATIONS OFFICER

See Article 6 of FIA Standard Regulations



MR ELIE SEMAAN

See Article 7 of FIA Standard Regulations

All persons taking part in the UAE Desert Challenge 2000 are the guests of the country and its population. They must consider themselves as such and behave accordingly.

Any breach of the rules of courtesy and respect for others, in any form whatsoever and towards any person, shall be punished by penalties which may go as far as exclusion from the event, imposed by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting.

## 7P1 Eligible Competitors

- Any person over 18 years of age, holding a FIA international driver's licence for 2000 relating to the event and a driving licence corresponding to the entered vehicle is eligible by invitation.
- The organisers reserve the right to refuse the entry of a driver, co-driver, competitor or entrant without having to give reasons for this refusal (Article 74)
- Any person wishing to take part in the 2000 UAE Desert Challenge must send his/her entry application to the organiser of the rally with the first down payment - at least.
- IMPORTANT: In order to be taken into consideration the enclosed entrance application must be completed and stamped by the competitor's ASN, for non - UAE licence holders, and accompanied by the fees mentioned in the required date
- For vehicles in Group T4, the competitor must enclose photocopies of the first page of the ratification document T4 FIA, failing which his entry will be refused.
- Four (4) passport size photographs of each member of the crew, with their names written on the reverse side, must be sent together with the entrance application form.
- Competitors accepted will receive a letter of confirmation and a receipt for the payment received. Any balance payments due to the organisers must then be paid by the due dates shown in the table attached

## 7P2 Entry Fees

<b>UAE &amp; Other GCC Entrants</b>	<b>Dhs</b>	<b>Bivouac Fees (payable by UAE ,Gulf Entries,all service crews and non-competitors)</b>	<b>Dhs</b>
- Private UAE Entrants	1,000		700
- Private Gulf & ME Entrants	1,000		
<b>Private Overseas Entrants</b>	<b>US \$</b>	Price per person for bivouac facilities, 3 dinners/3 breakfasts (approx US\$ 192)	
- Entries received before 24/9/00	4, 950	NB: individual tents & sleeping bags are <b>not</b> provided by the organisers. Access to the bivouac will be restricted to those persons wearing the official ID bracelet issued at documentation.	
- Entries received after 24/9/00 but before 16/10/200	5, 950		
<b>Overseas Manufacturer / Trade Entrants</b>	<b>US \$</b>	<b>Team Entries</b>	<b>Dhs</b>
- Entries received before 16/10	9,000	Per car for maximum of 5 cars/minimum of 3 cars per team	600

**Overseas Private, Manufacturers and Trade Entry Fees cover:**

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| <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Registration fees</li> <li>▪ Four (4) nights hotel accommodation (twin room sharing basis)</li> <li>▪ Bivouac fees for crew members (inclusive of 3x breakfast &amp; 3x dinner)</li> <li>▪ Emergency rations / water on each Leg</li> <li>▪ Port Clearance and Customs charges for teams' vehicles</li> <li>▪ Return shipping of one 20 ft container (Genoa/Dubai/Genoa)*</li> </ul> | <ul style="list-style-type: none"> <li>▪ Technical and sporting coverage</li> <li>▪ 2 gala Dinner tickets (plus one for crews with 3 members)</li> <li>▪ UAE Visit Visa charges for crew members</li> <li>▪ Fuel for competing vehicles only – not for service/assistance vehicles. This excludes AVGAS, which can be arranged if ordered 6 weeks in advance but paid for by the competitor.</li> </ul> |
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**NB COMPETITORS ARRANGING THEIR OWN SHIPMENT CAN REDUCE ENTRY FEE BY \$1200**

**Entry Fees will be refunded in full:**

- To applicants whose entry has not been accepted
- In case of the rally not taking place

(The organisers may refund 50% of the entry fee to those competitors, for reason of 'force majeure' duly certified by their ASN, were unable to start the rally)

**7P3 Payment**

- 1800 hrs 24<sup>th</sup> September for reduced rate entry fee.
- 1800hrs 16<sup>th</sup> October for full rate entry fee.

<p><b>By Post:</b>          UAE Desert Challenge          P. O. Box 1714          Dubai          United Arab Emirates</p> <p>Fax: ++ 971 4 2666996</p>	<p><b>Bank Transfer:</b>          UAE Desert Challenge          A/c No. 01-50-46128-5          National Bank of Dubai, P.O. Box 777,          Dubai, United Arab Emirates          (Answer: 45421 NATNALEM)          SWIFT CODE: NBDUAED</p>
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The entrance application form will only be accepted if accompanied by the relevant entry fees, or a receipt issued by the competitors ASN.

[NB: If paying by bank transfer, please fax us a copy of the bank transfer form for reference and reconciliation purposes.]

**Article****8P****IDENTIFICATION MARKINGS**

See Article 8 of FIA Standard Regulations

**8P1 Marking and Sealing****Groups T1 – T2 – T3 – T4:**

For all groups the competitor must provide a previously drilled hole with a minimum diameter of 1.5mm, allowing the passage of the sealing wires, in the following parts:-

- Engine block
- Bodyshell and/or chassis (for sealing and/or marking with paint or an engraving tool)

## 8P2 Marathon Category

See Appendix 2 in FIA Standard Regulations

**VERY IMPORTANT:** These holes must be easily accessible to the Scrutineers, so they can seal the parts without difficulty. Should a competitor present his vehicle for scrutineering without already having drilled the holes for sealing, and without sealing wires as specified in the regulations, he may not be allowed to start.

The lead sealings and their durability are the entire responsibility of the competitor. At scrutineering competitors may request a part to be sealed more than once for greater security.

Specific sealing protections may be provided by the competitor but must be authorised by the scrutineers.

The absence, whether advised or not by the competitor, of an identification mark or seal will give rise to disqualification of the Marathon competitor, but after decision by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting, the competitor will be allowed to continue the rally in Group T1. The Panel of Stewards will determine the penalty.

### Article

## 9P

### STARTING ORDER

See article 9 of FIA Standard Regulations.

## 9P1 Competiton Numbers

With the exception of the FIA 2000 list of classified 'Off Road Rallies' drivers, the competition numbers will be issued by the

organisers in accordance with Standard Regulations.

## 9P2 Starting Order

The Prologue - Tuesday 7<sup>th</sup> November will not count for General Classification. The start order for the Prologue will be in order of competition numbers with the lowest number starting first, with a minimum of 1 minute between the starts.

The starting order for Leg 1 will be determined by the finishing order of the Prologue. The first five positions at the start of Leg 1 will be allocated to the 5 fastest drivers in the Prologue. Only the winner of the Prologue may choose his position among these first five places. From 6<sup>th</sup> place onwards the start order will be in accordance with the finishing order of the Prologue.

The Official Rally Start in Abu Dhabi will be minute by minute. The start intervals for the SS 1 and subsequent Legs will be in accordance with Standard Regulations, with the first 10 seeded drivers starting at 2 minute intervals and the rest at 1 minute intervals. There will be a 10 minute interval between the start of the last car and the start of the first T4 truck on every Special Selective. Trucks will start at 1 minute intervals.

The starting order for Legs 2, 3 and 4 will be determined by the provisional, or semi-partial, results of the previous Leg.

## 9P3 Official Time

Official Rally Time will be taken from Channel 4 FM (104.8) and a clock will be

on display at documentation

See Article 10 of FIA Standard Regulations.

### 10P1 Itinerary

All crews will be issued a Road Book for each Leg and this will identify the Passage Controls that must be visited, failing which a penalty as far as exclusion could be applied. Road Books will be issued as per details in Article 1P2.

The Road Book, together with a map, will indicate the route for the Leg (including Road Sections, Special Selectives and Passage Controls) geographically, using GPS references of latitude and longitude, and representatively, using drawings and kilometres. The Road Book will also include comprehensive Briefing Notes on points relevant to the route.

As all competitors must be equipped with GPS, they cannot be unaware of their

position in relation to the official route, as indicated by the road book provided by the organisation. Therefore they are forbidden to deviate more than 5 km from the official itinerary, subject to a penalty decided by the Panel of Stewards of the meeting which could go as far as exclusion.

A 'marked' map in the Road Book as issued to all competitors shows certain roads on each Leg that are 'Out of Bounds'. Any competitor reported by an official of the rally to be driving on an 'Out of Bounds' road will be subject to a penalty decided by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting which could go as far as exclusion.

### 10P2 Camel Farms

Whilst the route generally avoids being in proximity with camel farms, competitors are advised when driving in the vicinity their speed should be restricted to 50 km/h maximum.

Crews must take every precaution to minimise the nuisance and disturbance to all forms of livestock at all times.

### 10P3 GPS

All competitors will be issued with an organisers GPS at a cost – payment to be

made at documentation.

### 10P4 Route Verification

A Road Book verification team will drive the route 48 hours in advance of the rally. Any modifications to the road book as a result of the route verification will be issued to all competitors as a Bulletin, to be signed for by each crew, and mentioned at the

evening briefings. Representatives of the entrants may accompany the route verification team, using their own vehicle(s), for a fee to be paid to the organisers, at least one month before the event starts.



## 10P5 Daily Briefings

It is compulsory for all crews to attend the following official Briefings conducted by the Clerk of Course.

1. General Briefing – Tuesday 7th November – Premier Night Club, Hyatt Hotel – 1830hrs
2. Daily Briefings On 8th; 9th;10th November at Arjan Bivouac Restaurant– 2000hrs

### Article

## 11P

### TRAFFIC

See Article 11 of FIA Standard Regulations

Competitors must respect the Traffic Laws of the country. Any infringements officially reported via the local police to the organisers may result in the following penalties imposed by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting:-

1 <sup>st</sup> infringement	Dhs 500
2 <sup>nd</sup> infringement	30 minutes
3 <sup>rd</sup> infringement	exclusion

In Special Selectives when passing close to Camel Farms competitors must reduce speed to a maximum limit of 50km/h. Any report submitted by an official judge of fact may result in a penalty imposed by the Stewards of the Meeting that may go as far as exclusion from the event.

## 11P1 Exceptional Halts

No time will be deducted from the race time for exceptional halts, whatsoever the reason (eg. momentary assistance

rendered to an injured person, or a stuck vehicle, etc.)

## 11P2 Fuel Range

All vehicles must have sufficient fuel range at least to cover 300 kms between official refuelling points. An extra safety margin of 10% is recommended.

Free fuel (petrol and diesel) for competitors only, will be available at the overnights Bivouac halts at the end of Legs 1, 2 and 3.

### Article

## 12P

### ASSISTANCE/SERVICE

See Article 12 Of FIA Standard Regulations

## 12P1 Restriction of Movement of Service Vehicles

The movement of service/assistance vehicles is strictly controlled and is forbidden along the route of any Special Selective, except for those areas designated as Service Areas in the Road Book and Service Information Book.

For any infringement of this rule a penalty of up to and including exclusion from the event may be imposed by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting on the competitor for whom the transgressors are servicing.

## 12P2 Distances Between Service Halts

The distance from the start of a Special Selective and a service halt, and between the last service halt and the finish of the Special Selective will not exceed 250km.

## 12P3 Assistance Between Competitors

Assistance between competitors still competing in the event is permitted throughout the route.

## 12P4 Bivouac Service

Under no circumstances are service crews allowed to test or drive vehicles, for whatever reason, within a radius of 800 metres from the rally HQ cabin at the Bivouac, especially at night, thus causing severe disturbance to other crews and officials.

A speed limit of 30km/h will be observed within the above stated zone. If any infringement of this rule is reported the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting will impose a penalty, up to exclusion from the event.

### Article

## 13P

### INSURANCE

See Article 13 of FIA Standard regulations

## 13P1 Third Party Liability

The entry fee includes competitor cover for Civil Liability towards Third Parties. The insurance cover will come into effect from the start of the Prologue stage and will cease at the end of the event or at the moment of retirement, disqualification or exclusion.

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 on rally and/or service cars

as well as the liability of a crew member towards other crew members of the same car, are not covered by the insurance provided by the organisers.

Service vehicles, even those bearing special plates issued by the organisers, may never be considered as official participants in the event. Therefore, they are not covered by the insurance policy of the event and remain the sole responsibility of the driver and/or owner.

## 13P2 Accident Reporting

In the event of an accident, involving a Third Party, the competitor, or his representative must immediately call the local Police and make a statement as to the circumstances. In addition, the competitor, or his representative, must make a written statement, at the latest within 24 hours to the Clerk of Course or his

Deputy, indicating the circumstances of the accident as well as the names and addresses of witnesses. In the event of an accident the competitor and/or his beneficiaries release the organisation of the event from all responsibility and renounce any claim against the organisation and/or its representatives.

## 14P

## ADVERTISING

See Article 14 of FIA Standard Regulations.

## 14P1 Prohibited Advertising

Competitors must respect the UAE law that prohibits the advertising of all alcohol products.

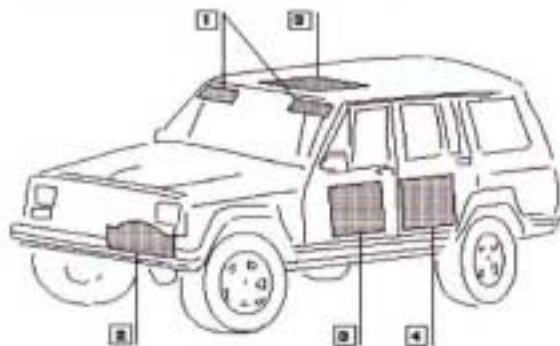
## 14P2 Compulsory Advertising

The organisers will provide the following at the documentation / administrative checks, which must be in place when the vehicle is presented for Scrutineering on Monday 6th November:

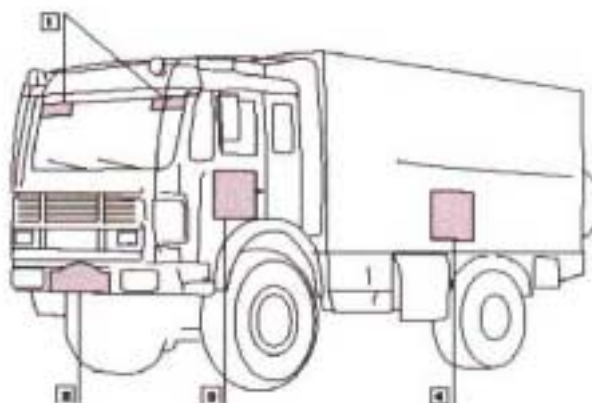
- Two (2) Rally Plates (43x21.5cm), one each for the front and rear of the vehicle (Obligatory)
- Three (3) competition number (52x50cm) for both front doors and the roof panel (Obligatory)
- Two (2) advertising panels (52x50cm) featuring event sponsors (Optional\*)
- Two (2) strips (25x10cm) for each side of the upper windscreen (Obligatory)

See the diagrams for the correct locations of the above advertising and identifications.

(NB: \* Optional advertising may be refused by the competitor by payment of a double entry fee)



- 1 COMPULSORY 25cm from windscreen pillar on each side, 10 cm high
- 2 COMPULSORY Rally plates measuring 43cm x 21.5cm, front and rear
- 3 COMPULSORY 3 competition number plates measuring 50cm x 52cm
- 4 COMPULSORY 2 organiser advertising panels, measuring 50cm x 52cm



## Article

## 15P

## TIME CARD

See Article 15 of FIA Standard Regulations

## 15P1 Issue of Time Cards

A Time Card for each Leg will be issued at the start of each Leg. It is the responsibility of the competitor to submit the Time Card at the controls

for the appropriate stamp to be applied at the due time by the controller.

## 15P2 Loss of the Time Card

The loss of the Time Card will result in a penalty of 15 minutes on condition the competitor has clocked in at all Time Controls and Passage Controls

during the Leg. If this is not the case the fixed penalty, relating to missing these controls, will apply, plus the 15 minute loss of Time Card penalty.

## Article

## 16P

## CONTROL ZONES

See Article 16 of FIA Standard Regulations

## Article

## 17P

## TIME CONTROLS

See Article 17 in FIA Standard Regulations

## 17P1 Target Time and Maximum Time

Competitors will be informed of the target times and maximum times for the Special Selectives in The General Information Book, issued at documentation, and the Road Books for each leg.

Competitors must present themselves, with vehicle, for safety checks each morning, 15 minutes before their due start time. Should they fail to do so the safety checks may be carried in their racing time.

## 17P2 Changing of Maximum Time

See Article 2 in FIA Standard Regulations – Changing of Maximum Time

Clerk of Course reserves the right to propose to the Panel of Stewards of the meeting to adjust the maximum time.

If during any Special Selective, less than 15 crews arrive within the maximum time applied the maximum time limit may be changed to the time necessary for 15 crews to arrive.

## 17P3 Fixed Penalty

See Article 2 in FIA Standard Regulations – Fixed Penalty

### The Penalty

The penalty will be calculated by adding the authorised maximum time for the Special Selective (plus Road Sections, if relevant) not accomplished, plus 1 hour and penalty for any PCs missed. The penalty for missing a Passage Control

will be 3 hours for each PC missed.

Although this formula penalises the competitor considerably it does, nevertheless, allow him to continue the event and be listed in the general classification.

## 17P4 Conditions Necessary to Continue the Rally

Any competitor who does not finish a Road Section or a Special Selective within the time limit, after the closing time of the control, will endure the fixed penalty for the Leg, as described in Art 17P.3

Nevertheless he may start the next leg subject to the following conditions:

1. he has given his time card of the day before to the Controller in charge of the start of the Leg, at least 15 minutes **before the first starter's start time**

2. that he has not been excluded, or is under threat of exclusion
3. that his vehicle has not been declared unsound by the scrutineers
4. that he has not been declared unfit to drive following a medical check

Any driver fulfilling these conditions will be allowed to continue the rally. He will take the departure of the Leg in the order determined by the provisional classification of the Special Selective of the previous day.

## Article

# 18P

## PASSAGE CONTROLS

See Article 18 of FIA Standard Regulations

### 18P1 Location

The location of all Passage Controls will be stated in the Road Books and

GPS references will be given.

### 18P2 Passage Control Penalties

Competitors are required to stop within the Passage Control Zone to have the Time Card stamped by the PC Controller. Failure to visit any Passage Control will result in a time penalty of three (3) hours, for each missed PC.

The controller at each PC will record the time of entry of each competitor to the nearest minute and in the event the Special Selective is shortened, due to 'force majeure' the times recorded at the last Passage Control will determine the finish times of that Selective.

## 18P3 Closing Times

The closing times of the Passage Controls will be based on the ideal

time for the last vehicle starting the Special Selective, plus 60 minutes.

### Article

## 19P

### SPECIAL SELECTIVES

See Article 19 of FIA Standard regulations

Special Selectives are sometimes run on non-private roads and Bedouin tracks in the desert and it is recommended to exercise particular care towards local traffic that may be in the vicinity.

Competitors are reminded that any form of reconnaissance of the route, whether by a competitor himself or

any party associated, directly or indirectly, with a competitor is **strictly prohibited**. The possession of route notes other than those issued by the organisers for 2000 UAE Desert Challenge, or the storage of GPS waypoints from previous years events is prohibited. Competitors who fail to observe these bans will be refused a start or will be excluded from the event.

### Article

## 20P

### REGROUPING

See Article 20 of FIA Standard Regulations

### Article

## 21P

### SIGNPOSTING OF CONTROLS

See Article 21 of FIA Standard Regulations

### Article

## 22P

### PARC FERME

See Article 22 of FIA Standard Regulations

## 22P1 Parcs Ferme

Parc Ferme rules will apply at the following locations:-

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- At any re-grouping zone or other location introduced by the organisers during the rally.
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See Article 23 of FIA Standard Regulations

**IMPORTANT REMINDER:** The act of presenting a vehicle for scrutineering is considered an implicit statement of conformity.

## 23P1 Administrative / Documentation Checks for Crews

Administrative Checks and Documentation will take place on the 4<sup>th</sup> & 5<sup>th</sup> November at the Desert Challenge Office, Dubai.

All competitors will receive a documentation schedule, please ensure that you have all of the following documents:

- FIA Competition licence
- Driving licence valid for UAE (eg International Driving Licence)
- Certificate of vehicle insurance
- Certificate of ownership of the vehicle or authorisation from the registered owner
- Current vehicle registration document for home country
- FIA Technical passport (where relevant)
- Entry form details and payment of entry fees
- Signing of the Indemnity Form
- Bivouac booking form and payments
- Request for additional Gala Dinner tickets (where relevant)

At the same time competitors will be given the following:

- Rally plates
- Competition numbers
- Advertising plates
- One (set) of Service plates. Additional sets may be ordered in advance for Dh400 each
- Crew/vehicle identity card [to be displayed in front cab of vehicle]
- ID bracelet (to be worn at all times during the event)
- Copies of General Information book and Service Information book
- Copies of any General Information and Official Bulletins (to be signed for)
- Rally T-shirts and other kit
- Scrutineering & technical checks booklet
- Scrutineering timetable for Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November

## 23P2 Technical Checks & Scrutineering for Vehicles

Scrutineering will take place on Monday 6<sup>th</sup> November from 0730h to 1730h at Dubai Municipality Workshop at Al Jadaf. Directions to the location will be given in the General Information book. Competitors should allow a minimum of 25 minutes to travel from Hyatt Hotel to the scrutineering location.

Only those crews who have successfully completed the Documentation / Administrative checks may present their vehicle at scrutineering in accordance with the published time schedule.

**Vehicles must arrive at the scrutineering location at the precise time. Failure to do so will result in a cash penalty of Dhs 300 for every 10 minutes late. The only deviation from the timetable will be approved at the discretion of the Clerk of Course, for applications received from competitors in writing.**

Competitors must comply with the following when arriving for scrutineering:

- a) All rally plates, competition numbers and advertising plates must be in position
- b) Sealing holes must have been drilled (see ART 8P Identification for details)
- c) Produce valid FIA Homologation papers for T1, T2, T4 vehicles
- d) Produce safety helmets for inspection for compliance to FIA Safety Regulations
- e) Fix the Crew/Vehicle Identity card in advance
- f) Produce FIA Technical Passport – if relevant
- g) Produce the Scrutineering booklet – as issued at Documentation
- h) Produce GPS in working order, fitted permanently to the vehicle

Scrutineering carried out before the start of the rally will be of a general nature to ensure general conformity with the Group and Class entered, essential safety items are carried and conformity with the national Highway Code

## 23P3 Scrutineering during the Event

The technical scrutineers will make periodic inspections of crews and vehicles during the event to ensure

continuing conformity and for safety reasons.

## 23P4 Scrutineering at the end of the Event

The technical scrutineers will make a final inspection of leading vehicles in General Classification for Overall and

Class positions, to ensure conformity. Details will be given in the General Information book.

## 23P5 Refusal to submit for scrutineering

Any competitor refusing to submit his vehicle for scrutineering at any time before, during and after the rally may be excluded, after an inquiry and by

the decision of the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting, and his ASN will be asked to apply additional sanctions.



## Article

## 24P

## PROTESTS – APPEALS

See Article 24 of FIA Standard Regulations

## 24P1 Protest Deposits

The protest deposit is set by the ASN at US\$500, payable to UAE Desert Challenge.

If the protest requires various parts of a vehicle to be dismantled and re-assembled, the person lodging the protest will be obliged to pay an

additional deposit as follows:

- a) Of US\$500 for a protest concerning one specific part of a vehicle (engine transmission, steering, braking system, electrical installations, bodywork, etc.)
- b) Of US\$ 1,000 for a protest concerning the whole of the vehicle.

## 24P2 Appeals

The appeal deposit is set at::

1. US\$500 for a national appeal, handled by the ASN
2. 30,000FF for an international appeal, handled by FIA.

## Article

## 25P

## CLASSIFICATIONS

See Article 25 of FIA Standard Regulations

## 25P1 Partial Classification

On completion of each Leg the provisional official classification will be posted on the official notice board at Rally HQ during the evening of the Leg day.

On Friday 10<sup>th</sup> November a partial Official Classifications for Legs 1, 2 and 3 will be posted on the official notice board at Rally HQ at Arjan

Bivouac at 2200h and this will become Final one hour after posting as far as the elements that were used for drawing up them were concerned. These elements, and no others, cannot then be the subject of any subsequent protest when the Final Official Classification is posted at the end of the rally.

## 25P2 Final Official Classification

Complete Provisional Official Classification will be posted on the official notice board at Rally HQ Hyatt Hotel, Dubai at 1900h and these will

become Final one (1) hour after posting, subject to any protest concerning Leg 4 only.

See Article 26 of FIA Standard Regulations

SUMMARY OF PENALTIES		Art No.	Start of Leg Refused	Exclusion	Time or Financial
1	Absence, falsification of ID markings	8P		X	
2	Absence of, faulty positioning of licence plate, rally plate, comp nos	8.4			Dh 250
3	Non-compliance of crew ID/national ASN flags on side of vehicle	8.5			Dh 250
4	Incorrect positioning of ID card	8.6			Dh 250
5	Absence of ID bracelet	8.7			Dh 250
6	Failure to visit Passage Control (for each PC)	10P.1/18.P1			+ 3h
7	Deviating more than 5km from route	10P.1		As far as X	
8	Driving on Out of Bounds roads	10P.1		As far as X	
9	Any form of route reconnaissance	10P.1/19P		As far as X	
10	Non-attendance at briefings	10P.5		As far as X	
11	Traffic laws infringements	11P			
	1st offence				Dhs 500
	2nd offence				30m
	3rd offence			X	
12	Excessive speed at camel farms	11P		As far as X	
13	Service vehicles in prohibited areas	12P.1		As far as X	
14	Testing or driving fast in bivouac area	12P.4		As far as X	
15	Non-compliance with compulsory advertising				
	1st offence				US\$500
	2nd offence	14P.2			Entry Fee
16	Loss of Time Card	15P.2			15 m
17	Late for scrutineering	23P.2			10 m / Dhs 300
18	Refusal to submit to scrutineering	23P.4		As far as X + ASN Sanctions	
19	Failure to report retirement	30P			US\$ 3,000 + ASN Sanctions

## 27P

## SAFETY EQUIPMENT

As well as the individual safety obligations required by FIA Standard regulations, each competitor must provide himself with compulsory

safety equipment composed of:

- First – Aid Kit
- Survival Equipment

## 27P1 First Aid Kit

The First Aid kit, in a small sealed rigid container, and identified as such must include:

- Eye Lotion
- Lip Salve
- Water Purifying Agent For Minimum 40 Litres (Hydrochlorazone or Micropure)
- Pain Killers
- Anti-Diarrhoea Tablets (Immodium or equivalent)
- Antibiotics (oracilline, totapen or equivalent)
- Selection of sterile bandages, plasters and safety pins
- Disinfectant cream (betadine or equivalent)
- Vitamin C tablets
- Salt tablets

## 27P2 Survival Equipment

- 10 metre long recovery towing strap
- Small hand shovel
- Cigarette lighter
- Compass
- Torch and spare batteries
- 5 litres of water for each member of the crew
- Aluminium blanket (2m x 1m) per crew member
- 1 emergency communications device \*
- Signalling equipment:-
  - mirror
  - hand-held flares
  - rocket flares
  - 1 smoke canister
  - 1 extended flashing torch/strobe light

## 27P3 Organisers Safety Measures

**Survival Rations**

The organisers will provide emergency Survival Rations and bottled water on a daily basis to all competitors during distribution of the daily road books.

Bottled water will be provided to service crews but the survival rations will **not** be issued to anyone other than competitors.

**Bivouac Camp**

The organisers will provide the essential hygiene facilities and catering arrangements and marquee-type tents. Competitors and service are advised to bring their own personal tents, sleeping bags and other basic camping equipment.

**Medical Services**

Fully trained doctors and nurses will be on duty throughout the event to cope with emergency situations. All local hospitals in the vicinity will be alerted to receive casualties. An equipped medical clinic will be on 24 hour stand-by duty at the bivouac. A medically-equipped helicopter, with trained staff, will be available during the event. In addition all helicopters will carry one trained medical person on board.

**Mobile Phones**

It is recommended that each vehicle carries a GSM mobile phone for emergency communications purposes. Coverage is available for the vast majority of the route.

## 27P4 Safety Helmets

The wearing of an authorised helmet to FIA standards is compulsory on the special selectives under penalty of exclusion from the event.

The wearing of an authorised safety

harness to FIA standards, as well as a tool for cutting the safety harness is compulsory, for all members of the crew, over the whole route under penalty of exclusion from the event.

### Article

## 28P

### EXCLUSION FROM THE EVENT

Exclusion from the event may result from the following:

1. Any lateness exceeding 30 minutes on the target time of a road section between two time controls.
2. In no case can early arrival be used as a means of reducing the lateness resulting in exclusion. Neither shall penalties for early arrival be taken into consideration when calculating the maximum lateness resulting in exclusion.
3. The exclusion time may be modified at any point by the panel of Stewards of the Meeting, upon proposal of Clerk of Course. Concerned crews will be notified as soon as possible.
4. Exclusion for exceeding maximum lateness may only be announced at the end of a leg.
5. Any competitor deemed by the organisers to have travelled on an 'out of bounds' track, road or public highway will be excluded.

### Article

## 29P

### TEAM ENTRIES

Teams may be composed of vehicles and drivers whose individual entries have been accepted at the time of documentation.

Each team may consist of a maximum of 5 vehicles and a minimum of 3 vehicles. In each team the performance of the three best vehicles will count for the final results.

The winning team will be the one that

has the smallest number of penalties in Genral Classification for the three best-placed vehicles of the team. In the case of a Tie, the winners will be team that has the highest placed vehicle in General Classification.

If less than three vehicles of a team are classified as finishers that team will not be considered for the Team Award. The exclusion through a penalty, other than for delay, of one of the team's vehicles will cancel the whole team.

## Article

## 30P

## RETIREMENTS

Should a competitor retire from the event, for whatever reason, he must immediately inform Rally HQ on the number given at Documentation. Failure to comply with this will result in the organisation carrying an unnecessary search. Should any competitor fail to comply a financial penalty up to US\$ 3,000 will be levied.

They will also be reported to their local ASN who will be requested by the Panel of Stewards of the Meeting to impose even stiffer sanctions.

Upon retiring the competitor must remove or cover up his competition numbers on the doors and the roof panel.

## Article

## 31P

## CLOSING THE ROUTE

The route closing Sweep Team of the organisers will close the rally track after the passage of the last competitor on each Leg. They will travel only on the correct route as defined by the Road Books. The Sweep Team will bring back individuals whose vehicles have broken down or are not functioning. Under no circumstances will a competing vehicle be towed by a Sweep Team vehicle.

Competitors who refuse to board the Sweep Team vehicles do so entirely

at their own risk and must sign a release note which will be presented to them by the representative of the organisation in charge of the Sweep Team.

#### Recovery of Vehicles

The organisers will provide details of local recovery services that will stand by during the event. It is the responsibility of the competitor to organise and pay for using the recovery services available

Competitors are considered as competing for all the awards for which they are eligible.

### General Classification

1 <sup>st</sup> Overall	Two trophies and cash award of US\$ 5,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Overall	Two trophies and cash award of US\$ 3,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> Overall	Two trophies and cash award of US\$ 2,000
4 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies and cash award of US\$ 1,000
5 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies and cash award of US\$ 500
6 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies
7 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies
8 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies
9 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies
10 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies

### Group Awards

1 <sup>st</sup> in Group T1	Two trophies and a cash award of US\$ 1,000
1 <sup>st</sup> in Group T2	Two trophies and a cash award of US\$ 1,000
1 <sup>st</sup> in Group T3	Two trophies and a cash award of US\$ 1,000
1 <sup>st</sup> in Group T4	Two (or three) trophies and a cash award of US\$ 1,000

### Class Awards

1 <sup>st</sup> in each Class	Two (or three) trophies
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### Gulf/UAE Competitors Awards

A separate, additional classification will be drawn up for those crews where both members are holders of Gulf/UAE competition licences. This classification will be determined by penalties expressed in time, with the crew with the lowest total being the winner, the next lowest second etc.

1 <sup>st</sup> Overall	Two trophies and a cash award of Dh 12,000
2 <sup>nd</sup> Overall	Two trophies and a cash award of Dh 10,000
3 <sup>rd</sup> Overall	Two trophies and a cash award of Dh 8,000
4 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies and a cash award of Dh 6,000
5 <sup>th</sup> Overall	Two trophies and a cash award of Dh 4,000

### Other Awards

Best Ladies Team	Two trophies
Team Award	One trophy
Prologue Winner	One trophy
Prologue Award	Two trophies (Cars) Two trophies (Trucks)
Spirit of the Rally	Daily – One trophy for Legs 1-3

CASH AWARDS ARE NOT CUMULATIVE.

### Prizegiving Ceremony

Additional tickets for the Prize Giving Ceremony and Gala Dinner at the Hyatt Hotel Golf Park, Dubai on Saturday evening, 11<sup>th</sup> November, from 2030h are available from Rally Office at Dhs 200 each.