



SAMDEC
A SENTINEL GROUP COMPANY

IRISH TARMAC RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP 2023

TROA

TARMAC RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS

Galway International Rally
4th - 5th February 2023

West Cork International Rally
18th - 19th March 2023

Circuit of Ireland
7th - 8th April 2023

International Rally of the Lakes
29th - 30th April 2023

Donegal International Rally
16th - 18th June 2023

Cork 20 International Rally
5th - 6th August 2023

Ulster International Rally
18th - 19th August 2023



**SAMDEC**
SECURITY PROFESSIONALS

PROUD SPONSORS OF THE 2023 IRISH TARMAC INTERNATIONAL RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP CATEGORY

**SAMDEC**
A SENTINEL GROUP COMPANY

Enniskillen Office
T: +44 (0) 2866341120
M: +44 (0) 7866593576
E:mail: info@samdec.co.uk

Dublin Office
T: +353 (0)1 678 5869
E:mail info@sentinelrisk.ie

Proud Sponsors of the International ITRC

Security Risk Management Services

Samdec Security Ltd provide a wide range of corporate and executive security services and risk management solutions to our client base.



Surveillance &
Investigations



Manned Guarding



Asset Recovery,
Protection &
Repatriation



K9 Services



Executive Protection



Galway International Rally

4th – 5th February 2023

West Cork International Rally

18th – 19th March 2023

Circuit of Ireland Rally

7th – 8th April 2023

International Rally of the Lakes

29th April – 30th April 2023

Donegal International Rally

16th – 18th June 2023

Cork 20 International Rally

5th – 6th August 2023

Ulster International Rally

18th – 19th August 2023

2023 Samdec Security Irish Tarmac **International Rally Championship Regulations**

1.0 CHAMPIONSHIP EVENTS:

- | | | |
|----------------|--|---|
| • Rd 1: | <i>Galway International Rally</i> | <i>4th – 5th February 2023</i> |
| • Rd 2: | <i>West Cork International Rally</i> | <i>18th – 19th March 2023</i> |
| • Rd 3: | <i>Circuit of Ireland Rally</i> | <i>7th – 8th April 2023</i> |
| • Rd 4: | <i>International Rally of the Lakes</i> | <i>29th – 30th April 2023</i> |
| • Rd 5: | <i>Donegal International Rally</i> | <i>16th – 18th June 2023</i> |
| • Rd 6: | <i>Cork 20 International Rally</i> | <i>5th – 6th August 2023</i> |
| • Rd 7: | <i>Ulster International Rally</i> | <i>18th – 19th August 2023</i> |

2.0 ANNOUNCEMENTS:

- 2.1** The ***Tarmac Rally Organisers Association Ltd (TROA)*** in association with Rally Sports (Killarney) Ltd, Cork Motor Club, Ulster Automobile Club, Donegal Motor Club Ltd, the Northern Ireland Motor Club Ltd, Galway Motor Club and the Munster Car Club Ltd. hereafter called the Organisers, will organise the 2023 ITRC Homologated Rally Championship which will be contested during the 2023 Motorsport season. The Championship will be run in accordance with these Regulations, which will constitute the Supplementary Regulations for the Championship and Appendix 15 of the 2023 Motorsport Ireland Yearbook. The Organisers reserve the right to issue additional statements clarifying items in these Regulations.

Championship Permit number: **P.002/23** has been granted by Motorsport Ireland.

- 2.2** The Championship will be known as the:
“2023 Samdec Security Irish Tarmac International Rally Championship”

These regulations have been approved by Motorsport Ireland.

- 2.3** The Championship is promoted by the Tarmac Rally Organisers Association Ltd (T.R.O.A).

- 2.4 Championship Points positions will be published on the Championship Website www.irishtarmac.com after each event. Queries regarding allocation of points should be referred to the Championship Registrar **within 10 days** of the date of such publication. In the event of no queries regarding the allocation of points being received by the Championship Registrar individual event results and overall Championship standings will be deemed final 10 days following publication of the results as referred to above.
- 2.5 The Organisers of qualifying events retain the sole right to select and accept entries for their event and the Championship Organisers cannot be held responsible for the refusal of an entry.
- 2.6 Queries & Protests:
- 2.6.1 Queries: Complaints and queries in relation to the Championship shall be made in writing to the Championship Registrar who shall publish a decision on the matter/s within seven days.
- 2.6.2 Protests: Protests may be made in relation to matters which have been the subject of a decision by the Registrar of the Championship. Such protests shall be subject to a time limit of 14 days after the publication of the decision of the Registrar. Such protests shall be addressed to the Championship Stewards c/o Motorsport Ireland and must be in writing and accompanied by the appropriate fee.
- 2.7 These Regulations supersede all previous Regulations Issued by the Tarmac Rally Organisers Association Ltd.
- 3.0 **ELIGIBILITY:**
- 3.1 Eligibility for the Championship is open to all competitors who hold suitable competition licences valid for these events, have the approval of their ASN (National Sporting Authority) and M.I where applicable and drive a car eligible for the particular counting round and listed in Article 5, Vehicle Categories and Classes.
- 3.2 The ITRC have appointed Mick Linehan to act as Eligibility Scrutineer for this Championship. Additional Eligibility Scrutineers may be appointed by ITRC as required

3.3 FUEL: For the 2023 season, the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship have appointed Euro M-Sport as the sole supplier of a control fuel for the Homologated section of the Irish Tarmac Rally Championship. The Fuel supplied will be the Panta brand with 2 options available as follows:

- 102 Octane: “Panta ITC” – Unleaded 102 Octane Ron Racing Fuel conforming to Appx. J of the FIA Sporting code.
- 98 Octane Pump Fuel Alternative: “Panta Rally 98” – Unleaded 98 Ron Racing Fuel conforming to Appx. J of the FIA Sporting code.

Contact Details for pre-ordering of Fuel available on ITRC Sportity channel under Competitor Notifications

All registered competitors for the ITRC Homologated Rally Championship must use the fuel as supplied by Euro M-Sport. The responsibility lies with the competitor to liaise with Euro M-Sport prior to each event to secure their requirements. Random fuel testing of all competing categories of the 2023 ITRC Homologated Championship may be carried out on any round of the championship. It is a condition of registration that competitors agree to comply with and be bound by the results of such fuel testing procedure(s) as may from time to time be provided by the Championship Organisers and/or the eligibility Scrutineer.

A failure to provide or facilitate the taking of a fuel sample when reasonably requested by the designated eligibility Scrutineer, or the use of an ineligible fuel, will result in the cancellation of any points scored and the removal of the crew from the championship results of the event where such failure or breach of rules occurs.

3.4 Tyres: All competing championship cars will be subject to random tyre checks.

Competitors will only be able to use spare wheels/tyres carried in the competing vehicle between official service halts.

A failure to provide or facilitate tyre checks when reasonably requested by the designated eligibility Scrutineer or other designated official will result in the cancellation of any points scored and the removal of the crew from the championship results of the event where such failure or breach of rules occurs.

4.0 REGISTRATION:

4.1 Drivers and Co-Drivers will be required to register for the Championship and also will be required to carry Championship Logos on their car throughout the series.

These Championship stickers must be displayed only on the door panels and the front of the bonnet of competing cars. In the event the front of the bonnet having been sold to a sponsor an alternative position on the bonnet may be used. This alternative position **MUST BE AGREED WITH THE CHAMPIONSHIP MANAGER.**

The onus is the Competitor to comply with this regulation.

Failure to display the required championship stickers / decals will result in a fine of € 100.00.

Competitors must register on or before the 16th June 2023 (i.e. before the start of the fifth round of the Championship). Only registered competitors will be awarded points. **Points will not be awarded retrospectively.**

Registration will be available online at www.irishtarmac.com and at documentation scrutiny where competitors will be expected to complete registration. The final deadline for completion of registration on any event **will be 22:00hrs on the eve of the start of the respective event, a full list of registered competitors will be posted on the championship Sportity channel prior to the start of each event. All registration monies owed must be paid at the time of registration or prior to the registration deadline of the competitors first event.**

- 4.2** The Registration fees will be as per outlined on the registration forms.
Drivers: Euro €250 Co-Drivers: Euro €120
- 4.3** Once a competitor has had registration accepted it will not be possible to disclaim any points for which he/she has become eligible.
- 4.4** The Championship is confined to cars complying with Article 5 Vehicle Categories & Classes. Competitors best scores in **5 out of 7 rounds** will be used to calculate the final positions. In the event of only 6 rounds being run only the best 5 will count. If only 5 or 4 rounds are run then all rounds will count. If less than 3 rounds are run, this element of the championship shall be abandoned for the current year. The ITRC reserve the right to cancel the Championship at any time.
- 4.5** In the event of the abandonment of any element or all of the Championship, all funds and registration fees accruing shall be held within the ITRC accounts. There shall be no refunds under any circumstances.
- 4.6** In registering for the Championship all competitors are bound by these Regulations.

5.0 VEHICLE CATEGORIES:

5.1 Class Structure:

| EVENT CLASSES | ITRC CATEGORY | ITRC CLASS | GROUPS | CLASS / GROUP DETAILS |
|---------------|---------------|------------|---|---|
| RC2 | ITRC 1 | Cls. 5 | Rally2 | Group Rally2 cars conforming to the 2020 Appendix J, Art. 261 |
| | | Cls. 5 | Rally2 Kit (VR4K) | Cars fitted with R4 Kit conforming to the 2020 Appendix J, Art. 260E |
| | ITRC 2 | Cls. 5 | S2000-Rally: 2.0 Atmospheric | Super 2000 cars conforming to the 2013 Appendix J, Article 254A |
| | | Cls. 4 | NR4 over 2000cc | Group N cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 254 |
| RGT | RGT | Cls. 6 | RGT cars | Group RGT cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 256 |
| | | | | Group RGT cars conforming to the 2022 Appendix J, Art. 256 |
| RC3 | ITRC 3 | Cls. 3a | Rally3 (atmo 1390cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 927cc and up to 1620cc) | Group Rally3 cars homologated from 01/01/2021 and conforming to the 2022 Appendix J, Art. 260 |
| RC4 | ITRC 4 | Cls. 3 | Rally4 (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc) | Group Rally4 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2022 Appendix J, Art. 260 Group R2 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260 |
| | | Cls. 3 | R3 (atmo / over 1600cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc) | –Group r cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260 |
| | | Cls. 3 | R3 (turbo / up to 1620cc / nominal) | Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260D |
| | | Cls. 3 | Group A over 1600cc and up to 2000cc | Group A cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 255 |
| | | Cls. 2 | Group A up to 1600cc | Group A cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 255 |
| RC5 | ITRC 5 | Cls. 1 | Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc - VR1 and turbo up to 1333cc) | Group Rally5 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2022 Appendix J, Art. 260 |
| | | Cls. 1 | Rally 5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1067cc) | Group R1 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260 |
| 7 | WRC TROPHY | Cls. 7 | WRC (1.6T) | As catered for by ASN class regulations and subject to compliance with FIA ISC 2.7.1.c |
| | | Cls. 7 | WRC (2.0T) | |
| 8 | ITRC 1 | Cls. 8 | Class 24 – R5 RHD | Right Hand Drive Group R5 derivative cars competing in the National Section (Class 24) of International Rallies. |
| | | | | All cars entered in this class must conform to Group R5 specification as per Group R5 homologation papers, except for specification as per Group R5 homologation papers, except for a right-hand drive conversion. Cars must carry a set of left-hand drive homologation papers along with photographic and text evidence of the conversion |

5.2 Championship Category Classifications:

- **ITRC 1:** Cars running in Class 5, Group R5 and Class 8 Group R5 Derivative Right Hand Drive **ONLY** will be categorised as **ITRC 1**.
- **ITRC 2:** Cars running in the following classes will be categorised as **ITRC 2**
 - Class 4
 - Class 5, Group R4
 - Class 5, S2000 Rally
- **ITRC 3:** Cars running in Class 3a will be categorised as **ITRC 3**
- **ITRC 4:** Cars running in Classes 2 and 3 will be categorised as **ITRC 4**
- **ITRC 5:** Cars running in Class 1 only will be categorised as **ITRC 5**

ALL other classes will be eligible for their respective class awards.

5.3 To be eligible for the **Best Overseas Crew** only the Driver must reside outside the Island of Ireland for the duration of the Championship. Points will be scored in this category only as a combined crew.

5.4 To be eligible for the **Best Mixed Crew Award** one member of the crew must be male and the other female. Points will be scored in this category only as a combined crew.

6.0 SCORING:

6.1 The scoring of points will be confined to registered competitors whose scores will be counted towards their final positions. Points will be awarded separately to drivers and co-drivers.

6.2 Scoring Divisions in the 2023 Samdec Security ITRC Homologated Rally Championship shall be as per following table:

SCORING DIVISIONS TABLE
2023 ITRC SAMDEC SECURITY ITRC HOMOLOGATED RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP

| | |
|---------------------------|--|
| Overall ITRC 1 | To the Overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for Class 5, Group R5 and Class 8 Group R5 derivative RHD cars ONLY. |
| Overall ITRC 2 | To the Overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for Class 4, Class 5-Group R4 & Class 5-Group S2000 Rally. |
| Overall ITRC 3 | To the overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for Class 3a |
| Overall ITRC 4 | To the overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for Classes 2 & 3 |
| Overall ITRC 5 | To the overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for Class 1 |
| Overall RGT | To the overall positions in the qualifying events classifications for cars competing in the RGT Category |
| Overall WRC Trophy | Cars competing in Class 7 will qualify for the WRC Trophy |
| Classes | To the overall positions in each class in the qualifying events classifications |

- 6.3** Points will be awarded as follows for all events except the **Final Counting Round of Championship** (ref: art. 6.4)

Overall Classification:

(Except for the Final Counting Round of Championship)

20 / 16 / 12 / 10 / 8 / 7 / 6 / 5 / 4 / 3 points will be awarded for overall classification – first to tenth place respectively. 1.5 points will be awarded to every other classified finisher.

Class Awards:

(Except for the Final Counting Round of Championship)

20 / 16 / 12 / 10 / 8 / 7 points will be awarded for class positions – first to sixth respectively. 1.5 points will be awarded to every other classified finisher in each respective class.

- 6.4** **Final Counting Round of the Championship – FIFTY PERCENTAGE BONUS POINTS (50%) will be awarded on the final counting round of the championship AS A CONSEQUENCE, POINTS AWARDED ON THIS EVENT WILL BE AS FOLLOWS**

Allocated Points for the Final Round of the Championship Overall Classification:

30 / 24 / 18 / 15 / 12 / 10.5 / 9 / 7.5 / 6 / 4.5 points will be awarded for overall classification and overall categories – first to tenth place respectively. 2.5 points will be awarded to every other classified finisher

Allocated Points for the Final Round of the Championship Class Awards:

30 / 24 / 18 / 15 / 12 / 10.5 points will be awarded for class classification – first to sixth place respectively. 2.5 points will be awarded to every other classified finisher

- 6.5** **BONUS STARTER points:** Each crew who enters and starts a respective event will be eligible for scoring 1 bonus point per event for starting an event. Criteria for

eligibility for awarding of **1pt bonus** starting point will require a crew to competitively start a stage of the respective event. Bonus Starter points are not eligible for additional allocation of 50% bonus points on final round of championship – all rounds will be equal in the allocation of awarding of just 1pt bonus starting point.

- 6.6 Category and Overall Points:** will be awarded in accordance with the qualifying events signed official and **FINAL** classifications. This final classification will include crews who have completed the event under Super Rally Regulations.
- Crews who complete the event under Super Rally Regulations will be eligible for the awarding of **full** Championship points.

In order to be eligible to score championship points under Super Rally rules on Motorsport Ireland permitted events, Super Rally finishers must comply with Appendix 29 Article 13 of the Current M.I yearbook.

- 6.7** Where a round of the Championship includes both International and National sections, which compete over exactly the same route, results from both sections will be combined for the purpose of calculating Championship points.
- 6.8** Alterations to the number of counting rounds or dates shall be decided by the ITRC Management. (*Appendix 15, Article 2.4 of the current Motorsport Ireland Yearbook applies*).
- 6.9** If an event or part of an event is cancelled due to Force Majeure, Championship Points will only be eligible to be awarded once **50%** of the **“Total Stage Mileage”** of the said Event is completed.

7.0 PENALTIES:

- 7.1** In accordance with the individual event regulations, the individual qualifying event organisers reserve the right to seal and examine cars to prove their eligibility in their class. Should any car be deemed to be ineligible for its class by the organisers of either the qualifying event or the Championship, then irrespective of any action taken by event organisers, the Championship promoters shall exclude the driver and co-driver concerned from the scoring of Championship Points in relation to that event and they shall forfeit all points gained on the event.
- 7.2** Any competitor who is excluded from the results of an event for a breach of servicing / support regulations or a breach of reconnaissance regulations or whose vehicle is excluded from the results of an event for a breach of technical regulations must count that event as one of the events contributing to his/her total championship score, thus forfeiting all championship points, prize money and

awards associated with that event. These penalties will be applied automatically by **ITRC** after the process of protest and appeal has been completed.

8.0 **TIES:**

- 8.1 Ties will be resolved by reference to the tying competitor's results within the General Classification, the Category or Class where the tie exists by applying the four tests in the table below in the following order.
- **Test 1:** In favour of the competitor with the highest number of highest scores, second highest scores and so on taking into account all relevant rounds of the Championship.
 - **Test 2:** In favour of the competitor with the highest score in his / her first scoring event in relevant rounds.
 - **Test 3:** In favour of the competitor with the highest position in the Overall Results of his / her first relevant scoring event.
 - **Test 4:** In favour of the competitor with the highest position in the Overall Results in the first relevant qualifying event in the series as run.

9.0 **AWARDS:**

- 9.1 To qualify for any of the following awards competitors must start at least three rounds and be classified as a finisher in two rounds of the championship. Winners of Overall awards will not be eligible for class awards.

ITRC 1 Overall Category:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|--|
| 1st Overall ITRC 1 | 2 Trophies + Fisher Perpetual Cup |
| 2nd Overall ITRC 1 | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall ITRC 1 | 2 Trophies |

ITRC 2 Overall Category:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|---|
| 1st Overall ITRC 2 | 2 Trophies + Meegan Motors Perpetual Cup |
| 2nd Overall ITRC 2 | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall ITRC 2 | 2 Trophies |

ITRC 3 Overall Category:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |

ITRC 4 Overall Category:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |

ITRC 5 Overall Category:

| | |
|--------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall ITRC 3 | 2 Trophies |

RGT Category:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall | 2 Trophies |

WRC Trophy Category:

| | |
|-------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd Overall | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd Overall | 2 Trophies |

Class Awards:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|-------------------|
| 1st in each Class | 2 Trophies |
| 2nd in each class | 2 Trophies |
| 3rd in each class | 2 Trophies |

| | |
|-----------------------------|-------------------|
| Best Oversea's Crew: | 2 Trophies |
| Best Mixed Crew: | 2 Trophies |
| Best Lady Driver: | 1 Trophy |

9.2 Additional Awards Category Prizes may be added to the above list of awards at the discretion of the ITRC.

10.0 EVENT

The ITRC will not be responsible for the issue of event regulations to registered competitors, although competitor's names and addresses will be forwarded to event organisers in order that they may update their mailing lists.

11.0 REGISTRATION:

Application forms for registration are available from the Championship Registrar/ Manager or online (including online registration) at www.irishtarmac.com

ITRC REGISTRAR / MANAGER DETAILS:

Paddy Flanagan

60 Glenwood Gardens, Enniskillen

Co Fermanagh BT74

7NA Mobile: 0044

7732 493724

Email: p.flanagan4@btinternet.com

ASSOCIATE SPONSORS OF THE 2023 IRISH TARMAC RALLY CHAMPIONSHIP





www.irishtarmac.com