











# SARDINIA MTB RALLY 2024 REGULATIONS

### **Art. 1 Participation - Categories**

At the Rally all participants must comply with the requirements provided for by the FCI rules for XCM races.

### Art. 2 Image

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Competitors undertake not to display advertising of an obscene, political or religious nature or in conflict with the official sponsors of the event and/or the organisers. The classification leaders are obliged to wear the leader's jersey of the RALLY DI SARDEGNA. Furthermore, competitors consent to the use of images, both static and moving, which will be taken during the event.

#### **Art. 3 Provisions**

Rally participants must be in possession of a regular competitive licence issued by a Federation in their country. Competitors must use MTB bicycles for which they may replace parts as they wish.

### Art. 4 Stages and starts

The race will consist of four stages, the first of which will be a time trial, the following stages will be in-line trials. A briefing will precede the official start of each stage, during which the competitors will be given all the information concerning the stage.

#### Art. 5 Starting order

The first stage, i.e. the time trial, will have a starting order based on their UCI ranking, athletes without a ranking will start last. In the following stages the start will be group start and the grid will be made according to the ranking.

#### Art. 6 Trials

The trials will all be ring trials, the first stage will be a time trial and the following stages will be in line trials and will respect the characteristics and regulations for XCM races.

#### Art. 7 Refuelling and technical areas

Two or more refuelling points, to supplement the foodstuffs that the competitors feel they must take with them, will be provided along the route of the stages and at the finish line. At the refuelling points there will be technical areas for the assistance of the competitors.

### Art. 8 Route

During each stage one or more route controls may be carried out; these controls may also be unknown to the participants. Failure to pass at one of these points will result in the allocation of the maximum penalty foreseen.































# Art. 9 Safety provisions

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It is compulsory to wear a helmet throughout each stage; it is also compulsory to carry any emergency equipment. The following are therefore obligatory: a whistle, an aluminium survival blanket and rainproof clothing. An adequately shock-protected mobile phone is also compulsory, which competitors must carry with them throughout the event. This device must be used to inform the race management of any incidents that the competitor becomes aware of, to be contacted by the race management for information on the progress of the event, and above all to inform the race management of any withdrawal in order not to unnecessarily activate difficult and costly searches, the cost of which will be charged to the competitor. The competitor will be recovered in the manner deemed necessary by the organisers. The injured competitor may be recovered by suitable means and transferred to the most convenient hospital unit, where all obligations on the part of the organiser will cease. The competitor simply withdrawn will be sent to the collection points and taken to the next bivouac at the end of the stage. The recovery of the vehicle - when possible - and its transfer will be carried out with all means and care, but no claims whatsoever can be made regarding the state of preservation of the vehicle, which will be handed back exclusively to the competitor. In order to guarantee emergency communications between the competitors and the Race Direction, a deposit of 100 € may be demanded from all competitors and may not be returned if the competitor has not been diligent in giving timely notice of his withdrawal or removal from the course. The telephone equipment (with the functioning test and the deposit of the number) will be subject to control at scrutineering and during the course of the event, as well as the other safety equipment.

#### Art. 10 Obligations of the competitor

The environment must be respected by the competitors, they must avoid leaving residues of any kind on the race route and in the stage venues, they must scrupulously follow the indicated route, they must provide assistance using the mobile telephone equipment to inform the race management, reporting any competitors in difficulty; they must favour sportsmanship over a competitive spirit, and comply with any decision of the organisation. (Failure to comply with the rules mentioned in this article shall result in the maximum penalty). All in accordance with the Highway Code at all times.

# Art. 11 Signposting of the route

The route will be marked with arrows, webbing and signs.

### Art. 12 Out of maximum time

Maximum time: International 25% of the winner's time.

#### Art. 13 Penalties

All athletes who finish the race without ever having gone out of maximum time will receive the finisher's jersey.

### Art. 14 Changes to the route

The organisation reserves the right to change the route for safety reasons.





























### Art. 15 Equal treatment

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The organisation will be careful in trying to put all competitors on the same level, offering them equal conditions in competing, also on a psychological level, taking all measures to level out the privileges enjoyed by some competitors deriving from knowledge of the places, proximity of family or (abusive) assistance provided by staff not included in the organisation. Personal assistance may only intervene on the route at the official assistance points indicated in the route road-book.

## **Art. 16 Complaints**

The Jury will only accept complaints signed by the individual participant, submitted in writing within half an hour of the posting of the unofficial order of arrival, accompanied by the deposit set by the OC and provided with proof justifying the complaint, (and the name of the complainant will not necessarily be disclosed). The deposit will only be returned in the event that the complaint is upheld.

#### **Art. 17 Entries**

At the established number, entries will be considered closed. The organisation may reject any competitor or accompanying person's entry without having to give a reason.

## Art. 18 Prize-giving

The prize-giving ceremony will take place in the afternoon at the end of each stage. Prizes may be combined and will only be awarded to the winners present. Category prizes will only be awarded if at least three competitors make up the category. the following order of finish will be considered: -Male agonists (Elite) - Female agonists (Elite) - Male amateurs (MASTER 30 - 40 - 50 - 60)

### Art. 19 Accompanying persons

The competitor may be followed by a personal assistance vehicle at the stage venues; this vehicle must necessarily be driven by a person accredited as accompanying person. Accompanying persons will be identified with a special bracelet and the vehicles with an identification plate. Persons not identified as accompanying persons or competitors will not be allowed into the assistance areas.

#### Art. 20 Miscellaneous

The Rally organisers reserve the right to make changes and amendments, even substantial, to these regulations, the route, the stage venues or the number of stages. Any changes to the present regulations, during the event, will be made known to competitors during the briefings and/or made official by means of progressively numbered information circulars and/or by insertion on the Internet, and will constitute an integral part of the regulations.

#### Art. 21 Renunciations

In the event of renunciation, the registered competitor and any accompanying person may claim 80% of the registration fee by notifying it 30 days before the race, 50% up to 10 days before, no reimbursement after that date. The date taken into account for reimbursement will be the date on which the organiser becomes aware of the renunciation.





























## **Art. 22 External services**

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Technical assistance and massage services will be provided by the organisers' partner companies in accordance with current commercial practice. However, it shall remain the responsibility of the competitor to check the execution of the work and under no circumstances may the Organiser be held liable

#### Art. 23 Withdrawals

A competitor who has withdrawn or been eliminated for having reached the maximum time limit may follow the event as a tourist by bike or by his/her own car or by a companion, benefiting from all the logistic services provided for participants, with the exclusion of timekeeping and with the exclusion of the emergency recovery service should he/she travel outside the race route and outside the time limit (transit of the motorbike-scooter following the last competitor). Any competitor disqualified for infringements by the Board of Judges must leave the Rally caravan.

### Art. 24 Number plate

It is compulsory for competitors to display intact, not folded, not modified, without additions, the number plate and the other identifiers provided by the Organisation.

#### **Art. 25 Briefings**

The pre-race briefings shall be held with English translation, providing all the information necessary to find the route and pointing out any difficulties of the following day's stage, possibly with the help of audiovisual aids. The Organising Company declines all responsibility for any accidents or damage occurring before, during and after the race and reserves the right to accept registrations at its sole discretion.

#### Art. 26 Cancellation or postponement of the race

In the case of force majeure that makes it impossible to hold the Rally di Sardegna Bike, at the sole discretion of the Organising Committee, the competition may be cancelled at any time and the Rally di Sardegna Bike Organisation will not be liable to the participants, except for an amount equal to 50% of the registration fees paid.

## **COMPULSORY MATERIAL FOR THE COMPETITION (to be verified at any time):**

- hard helmet
- whistle
- aluminium survival cover
- mobile phone















