

Regulations
of the
Transsyberia Rally 2008

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4. Event:

The Transsyberia 2008 event will start in Moscow on 11 July 2008 and will end in Ulaanbaatar (Mongolia) on 25 July 2008. The route itinerary will contain on- and off-road tracks. Special competitions will also be held during that timeframe.

5. Participants:

All persons are allowed to participate in this event, provided they hold a valid driving licence, present the necessary documents at the administrative inspection in Moscow on 10 July 2008 and have paid their entry fee in full. Sporting licences are not required.

6. Vehicles:

All standard-equipment 4WD vehicles of a gross vehicle weight of up to 3.5 t or vehicles which come up to satisfy to the T 2 Reglement from the off-Road sport, and motor trucks of a gross vehicle weight of 3.6 t or more are admitted to the event. Only models produced by a manufacturer at an annual rate of least 200 units will be regarded as production vehicles.

All vehicles have to comply with the road traffic licensing regulations of the country of origin and be licensed for road traffic. Vehicles with temporary, short-term or customs licence plates will not be admitted to the event.

Enhancements and other modifications of the vehicles are admissible on a limited scale, as long as they are intended to improve vehicle safety, reliability or ease of maintenance, or to protect any vehicle parts. The vehicles must have a minimum range of 450 km (may be achieved using two additional jerry cans).

Additional equipment serving an intended purpose (e.g., recovery equipment) is admissible. Any such modification or additional equipment has to be reported to the event organiser using a technical description at the time of the application entry.

The event organiser reserves the right to decline, without justification, the participation of any vehicles that, in the organiser's opinion, do not comply with these requirements or are considered unsuitable for the intended purpose. The judge's decision is final.

7. Vehicle Categories:

There will be one overall winner of the rally, plus one winner in each of the following categories:

Category 1: 4WD vehicles with gasoline-operated engine

A: Engines of a cylinder capacity of up to 2 l

B: Engines of a cylinder capacity of up to 4 l

C: Engines of a cylinder capacity of more than 4 l

Category 2: 4WD vehicles with diesel engine

A: Engines of a cylinder capacity of up to 3 l

B: Engines of a cylinder capacity of more than 3 l

Category 3: Motor trucks of a gross vehicle weight of 3.6 t or more

Category 4: Classic cars up to year of manufacture 1988

For turbo-charged engines, we will multiply the geometrical cylinder capacity by a factor of 1.5 to yield a "corrected" cylinder capacity, which will then be used to classify the vehicle into the appropriate category.

8. Evaluation:

The event will not be evaluated based on the speed for each leg of the rally track. Only the event organiser's records will be used as a basis for evaluating the event participants. We will use binding driving times per leg, target driving times for the special competitions as well as the checkpoints (CP) for evaluation. All data necessary for evaluation will be recorded on the control card of each vehicle, which has to be presented at each checkpoint by the driver or passenger. Any unauthorised recording on the control card will lead to exclusion from the event evaluation. The wearing of helmets is compulsory during all special trials. Only helmets bearing ECE identification are permissible.

The following time penalties will apply:

- Missing CP recording, including start stamp, finish stamp and binding leg driving times: 60 minutes
- Missing participation in special competitions: 540 minutes plus the slowest daily special-competition time

- Unfinished special competition: 480 minutes plus the longest daily special-competition time
- If the target time of a special competition is not met:
 - a) In case the target time is exceeded: the difference between actual and target time is used as the time penalty.
 - b) In case the target time is undercut: per minute or part of a minute of the undercut time, 30 minutes will be added as a time penalty.
- Loss of the control card: 540 minutes plus the longest daily special-competition time.
- Non-participation in a driving day (to be reported to the event organiser): 540 minutes plus the longest daily special-competition time.
- Non-delivery of the control card in the rally office by the driver or passenger within 1 hour after finishing a leg: 540 minutes plus the longest daily special-competition time.

9. Vehicle Equipment:

- a. Mandatory Equipment:
 1. Standard first-aid kit
 2. Driver's and passenger's name with blood type marked on the left and right vehicle wings
 3. Hazard warning triangle
 4. Recovery belt, 1 x 9 m
 5. Fire extinguisher, 2 kg
 6. Safety belts 4/6-point
 7. GPS system
 8. Sand shovel
 9. Jack
 10. Car toolkit
 11. Wheel wrenches
 12. 2 spare wheels
 13. Towing attachment, front and rear
 14. Roll bar
 15. Safety helmets for driver and passenger
 16. Approved emergency vest, 2 x
 17. Transmitter for localisation and recovery after accidents (has to be rented from the event organiser for a fee of €1.300,-)

All equipment has to be safely stowed and secured in the vehicle to avoid any danger for the passengers.

- b. Recommended equipment:
 1. Sand plate
 2. Cable straps in various lengths
 3. Repair tape

4. Drinking water: Camel bag with a minimum of 2 l per person
5. Mobile radio equipment Satellite telephone Iridium (offerer/provider to rent a Satellite telephone: K.S.C. , Bart v/d Flier, Tel: 0031 40 2111730, E-Mail: bart.vanderflier@kscehv.com)
6. Trip master
7. 12 V work light
8. Supplemental headlight
9. Winch or pulley
10. Air snorkel
11. Jerry can (steel canisters only) maximum 2 x 20 litres
12. Large tank

10. Recommended Personal Equipment:

1. Tent
2. Sleeping bag
3. Insulating mat
4. Medications as needed
5. Toiletry bag
6. Travel luggage (including warm clothes because July temperatures may be quite low in Mongolia)
7. Torch light
8. Multi-use pocket knife
9. Dishes and cutlery, including cup
10. Work gloves
11. Firm footwear

11. Required Documents:

1. Passport
2. Visa for Russia and Mongolia
3. International driving licence
4. Car registration certificate
5. International insurance card
6. Notarized power of attorney of the vehicle owner and signed liability waiver in German, English and Russian
7. Participation confirmation from the event organiser
8. Signed liability release form (to be signed by each participant before the event)

12. Registration:

All participants (also service vehicles and personnel) have to use the official registration forms of the event organiser for their registration. A maximum of 50 vehicles will be admitted to the event based on the reception date of the registration forms. The last registration date is 23 May 2008. All participants are solely responsible for obtaining the required visas for Russia and Mongolia – please note the various visa application deadlines.

After we have received your payment of the participation fee and the rental fee for Transmitter for localisation, we will issue a confirmation of the start number.

13. Participation Fee / Storno:

The participation fee is:

For entries received by 2 May 2008 €2,500.00 per person

For entries received after 2 May 2008 until 23 May 2008 €2,700.00 per person
and has to be paid in full at the time of registration.

The rental fee for Transmitter for localisation and recovery after accidents is:

For each car €1.300,00

and has to be paid in full at the time of registration.

The participation fee contains the following:

- Rally organisation
- Hotel stay in Russia, half-board in a double room (beginning on 10 July)
- Bivouac and food in Mongolia (breakfast and dinner)
- Closing night with hotel stay in Ulaanbaatar, half-board in a double room
- Medical service during the event
- GPS coordinates
- Awards ceremony with prize cups and souvenir gifts

The following are not included:

- detection equipment rental
- fuel
- road fees
- vehicle transportation
- travel expenses to and from the event
- recovery charges
- hotel extras
- drinks

Cancellation Fees:

In case of a cancellation before the registration deadline, a processing fee of 25 % of the participation fee is due. For cancellations after the registration deadline, there will not be any reimbursement of the participation fee.

14. Start Numbers / Publicity:

Two start numbers will be attached to each vehicle, one on the driver's door (left) and one on the passenger's door (right). The required area is 60 x 70 cm. The start numbers are issued by the event organiser and have to be attached at the time of the vehicle inspection. For event sponsors, the areas according to appendix 1 have to be made available.

The event organiser has the right to use the participation and ranking of each participant for publicity and commercial purposes. This includes the right to use pictures and film footage of the participants and their vehicles for general publicity purposes, in presentations, print and on the Internet. The participants waive the rights to their own pictures to the benefit of the event organiser for these purposes.

15. Medical Attention / Find and Rescue Activities:

A team of physicians (O.R.M.S.) will accompany the event. The physician team will decide in their own responsibility on measures and priorities of any treatments necessary. The event organiser cannot be held liable for the service of the medical

team. The cost of any find-and-rescue activities necessary via helicopter will have to be borne by the participants.

16. Lodging / Food:

Beginning on 10 July 2008 and until 25 July 2008, the following lodging and food arrangements are planned for the participants:

- a. Russia: Hotel with half-board (accommodation in a double room – there is no entitlement to a single room); during the driving times, the participants will provide their own food
- b. Mongolia: Participants will lodge in a bivouac, each participant in the own tent; food will be provided by the event organiser, including pick nick lunch
- c. Ulaanbaatar: Hotel with half-board (accommodation in a double room – there is no entitlement to a single room), one night from 25 to 26 July 2008

17. Behaviour Rules:

For the whole duration of the event, the participants have to follow the orders of the event management and their representatives. Participants who do not follow the orders or do not comply with the official rules, may receive time penalties or may be excluded from the competition.

The event organiser reserves the right to change any part of the official rules or the itinerary at any time during the competition.

Protesting against any of these decisions by the participants is not admissible.

Official languages during the rally are German and English.

18. Helping Others:

During the entire rally, each participant is required to help other participants in case of problems. Assistance is for medical assistance. Assistance is to be regarded as medical assistance. A time credit may possibly be granted upon application to the organisation committee. Proof must be given the same day by the participant by means of a continuous GPS system track recording. The participant shall submit the GPS to the organisation committee without being asked. Protests are invalid.

19. Itinerary / Orientation:

Each participant may choose the itinerary to use. As an orientation guide, the participants will receive a route plan, GPS co-ordinates, optical way marks or any other orientation hints. The official waypoints have to be targeted in the defined order and direction. Traffic rules have to be followed strictly. The itinerary follows public roads and is not blocked off from general traffic.

There will be a daily briefing for the following day.

20. Awards Ceremony / Closing of the Event:

The event ends on 25 July 2008 with an awards ceremony. We expect that the participants will attend the awards ceremony and will not mail any prizes.

21. Transport of the Participants and Vehicles Back to Their Origin:

- a. Participants: Each participant is responsible for his or her journey home.

Recommended travel agency also used by the organisers:

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- b. Vehicles: Each participant is responsible for the transport of his or her vehicle back to its origin.

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When contacting them please state the keyword Transsyberia Rally.

22. Prerogative:

The event organiser reserves the right to cut or extend the course of the event, or to cancel or to add any part of the programme because of circumstances beyond the organiser's responsibility. A repayment of the participant fee does not take place via it.

The event organiser reserves the right to decline, registrations without justification.