

### Kidney Rally Sections

This is not a race. It is an off-road, non-competitive, touring and navigational course, designed for vehicles who prefer to be “on the dirt”. Participants drive according to the conditions, while at all times abiding by all state road rules

Each Rally Kar will start with 1000 points. All Kidney Rally sections are scored. All Rally kars will be scored by losing 1 point for every minute above or below the average time calculation, up to a maximum of 10 points per section, plus any penalty points incurred for exceeding the maximum average speed.

If a Kidney Rally section is started, as recorded by RallySafe, but is not finished, a 10-point loss of points will be scored for that section.

If a Kidney Rally section is not started at all, a 20-point penalty is imposed for each missed section. Entrants are required to advise the Start Control official of intention not to compete in any section.

All Kidney Rally sections have a maximum average speed of 95 kph, below which the optimum time will fall. The Chief Scorer calculates the optimum average time for each Rally section at the end of each day based on the following criteria:

- The fastest 3 times will NOT be included for the purpose of calculating an average section time.
- The slowest 3 times, before the Sweep Kar closes the section, will NOT be included for the purpose of calculating an average section time.
- All kars will then be scored against the optimum time.
- Any kars that exceed the maximum average speed of 95kph will lose 5 points per kph, per section, for every kph over the maximum average, plus the number of points that have been calculated for being too fast in the scored section.

Each rally section provides its own unique set of challenges. The road surface and condition, plus the terrain changes and weather, combined with your own level of ability and experience, not forgetting also the condition of the kar, will determine your kar's average speed for the section. Under no circumstances will a suggested average speed be given. You may encounter sections, or parts of sections that even a speed of 10-20kph will be too fast.

The max average speed of 95kph is the overriding ceiling speed limit for all rally sections in the entire rally. No-one should be traveling in excess of this speed on any rally track. Please respect the road and your surroundings, and be mindful of other road users, livestock, native animals and private properties.

The Road Director and Kidney Health Australia strongly reminds all drivers that this is not a speed event. Always drive within your capabilities and according to the road rules and conditions. Any occurrence of dangerous driving will not be tolerated and offending kars will be disqualified. This is the one, and only, warning.

### Transport Sections

Transport sections are not scored. These sections are simply the travel distance from the end of one scored section to the start of the next, or to the lunch or overnight stop. Generally, transport sections are over bitumen or unsealed public roads.

All kars are to be mindful of the posted speed limits while travelling in Transport Sections.

Kars are required to maintain their order of leaving the control point during a transport section, only overtaking stationary vehicles. This must also be maintained during lunch breaks, and whilst refueling. Queue-jumping at refueling stops and lunch breaks will incur a 20-point penalty.

## Official Rally Clocks

Only the Official Rally Clocks supplied to the Control Official, or the RallySafe Units are to be used for the purpose of scoring the event.

## Time Controls

On arrival at a Start Control, the Control Official shall provide a start time, which will be recorded on the Official's Control Card, and the Navigator will record on the Krew's Road Card. The Start Control Official will give the Krew a 10-second countdown as per the RallySafe unit time in each kar.

If your kar is delayed or not able to start a section, for whatever reason, the Start Control Official must be notified as soon as possible, to avoid sending Sweep Kars out to search for you!

## End of Section

At the end of a section the Krew's Navigator will record, on their Road Card, the time displayed on the RallySafe unit at the point of crossing the "Timing" marker board. The RallySafe unit will also record the time via the GPS Lock capability.

## Secret Controls

A "Secret Control" may, or may not, be the premature end of a Kidney Rally section. As the name suggests, there is no notice or warning of a secret control, which is designed to catch krews trying to speed unnecessarily, with the intent to manipulate the average speed of a section. Given that the idea is to keep secret controls a secret, it is in your best interests to not give other krews an advantage! Therefore, Secret Controls should not be mentioned on UHF radios – remember Official's ears are everywhere!! Penalties apply to those competitors breaking this rule.

## Scoring System

The RD, utilising the capabilities of RallySafe and the Road Cards, is committed to delivering stated levels of service in return for krews following the procedures correctly. Any Time Lost Claims and Result Query forms must be handed over, together with the day's Road Card to the Control Official at the End Control at day's end, or the MC.

## Tied Scores

In the event of a tied daily score, the Day Winner shall be determined by date and time that registration was received by KHA. For all other awards, including Outright results, that are determined by points lost, a count-back system commencing from Day 1 results will be utilised, i.e. zero scored on day 1, then zero scores on day 2, and so on. If still tied, then 1-point scores, 2-point scores, etc.

## Scoring Method

- Points cannot be won, only lost.
- All vehicles will commence with 1000 points. One point is deducted for each minute that a competitor is quicker or slower than the average time. The competitor with the highest number of points at the end of the Event shall be declared the winner.
- For each section, the average time of all kars from the full field (rounded up or down) to the nearest whole minute is used to find the "optimum average time" for the section. Any of these kars travelling at speeds at or above the Maximum average, will be excluded from the calculation.
- The fastest 3 kars that complete the stage within the maximum average, together with the slowest 3 kars that complete the section before the Sweep closes the section, will NOT be included in the calculation of the optimum average time. The calculation will be subject to the RD's discretion should

there be an insufficient number of eligible times.

- The optimum time is then compared to each krew's time taken to complete the section and points deducted for going faster or slower than the optimum time. For example, if the optimum time for a section is 55 minutes and a kar takes 53 minutes to complete the section the penalty is 2 points for being too fast. Similarly, if another kar takes 57 minutes to complete the section 2 points are deducted for being slower than the optimum time. Should a kar break-down during a Rally section, the krew can only lose a maximum of 10 points for that Rally section not completed. NB! The Finish time in hours, minutes and seconds is recorded, and the Official Scorer will calculate the finish time to the nearest minute. A time recorded as x hour, xx minute, xx seconds will be rounded up to the next minute!
- Should a Rally section be closed by the RD, either prior to any kars commencing the section, or once a number of kars have commenced the section (e.g. in the event of deteriorating track conditions), then the section will be cancelled and all kars competing in that section will receive a zero penalty, regardless of any kars having commenced the section.

## **Time Lost Claim Forms**

The Time Lost Claim system is designed to streamline the process of dealing with claims for time lost due to being held up by bogged kars or assisting fellow krews in trouble, helping in an accident or similar instances beyond the control of the Kidney Rally krew. Lost time cannot be claimed by a kar for being bogged or assisted.

The Time Lost Claim Form can be found in the Road Book. The procedure for completing and lodging a Time Lost Claim is as follows:

1. Time Lost claims shall only be made on the prescribed form in the Road Book. Additional forms may be obtained from RD at the end of each day.
2. Time Lost Claim forms shall be lodged with the Control Official at the End Control at day's end, or the MC, duly completed with the amount of time being claimed. The assisted krew, attending official or witness at the scene of the delay, should also sign the Claim Form. Remember that claims for time can often have a negative impact on a krew's score, so think very carefully before submitting a claim.
3. The Chief Scorer's decision is final and no correspondence will be entered into. The Chief Scorer will amend scores, on instructions from the RD only, and will not respond to enquiries or requests from any other source. Penalties apply to claims that prove false upon investigation.

## **Results Query Form**

The results Query system is designed to provide krews the opportunity to query Provisional Results. A query shall only be made on the prescribed form in the Road Book and may be lodged up to 9.00am on the day following the posting of Provisional Results. The Results Query form is to be used solely for the purpose of lodging a query regarding discrepancies in start and stop times.

## **Remember**

The Kidney Kar Rally is not a competition event, nor is it considered as motorsport, so all participants must act in accordance with all Australian state and federal laws and the Kidney Kar Rally Code of Conduct at all times. Remember, you are seen as ambassadors for Kidney Health Australia.