Estonian Championship in Offroad Racing 2015

General rules

1. GENERAL ORGANISATION

- 1.1. Estonian Open Championship in Offroad Racing (ORMV) 2015 for off road vehicles take place as multi-stage serial competition. The main organizer of the series is Estonian Autosport Union (EAL) and 4x4 sub-committee. Stage organiser prepares competition rules for each stage approved by the main organiser Eurotrophy MTÜ and Estonian Autosport Union 4x4 sub-committee and which must be published at web page www.autosport.ee, http://eal.4x4.ee a at least 4 (four) weeks before planned beginning of the competition containing EAL-side registration number. Competition rules form supplement to general rules and technical rules of the competition.
- 1.2. Championship is performed in accordance with FIA sports code, valid technical specifications, rules established by EAL Eesti 4x4 sub-committee, these general rules, stage rules and annexes to all specified documents and bulletins. General rules of the Championships are approved by the management board of EAL
- 1.3. EAL 4X4 sub-committee presents and establishes possible changes to the general rules or calendar latest by 30 (thirty) calendar days before the competitions. Changes are published on EAL web page and official web pages of the series.
- 1.4. Number of championship stages in 2013 is maximum of 6. Calendar is published on EAL web page http://www.autosport.ee and EAL 4X4 sub-committee web page http://eal.4x4.ee.

2. CHAMPIONSHIP COMPETITION CARS; CAR CLASSES

- 2.1. Championship car classes
- 2.1.1 **ET1**
- 2.1.2 **ET2**
- 2.2. Competition cars must conform to valid technical specification and have ASN competition car technical card or street legal vehicle registration In the traffic register of the country of origin.

2.3 Competition numbers at 2013 championship

Class Numbers		Number's	Side number colour
Cluss	1 (dilloct)	background colour	
ET1	100-499	White	Black
ET2	200-399	White	Black

Numbers must be registered at least 5 (five) days before the competition and apply to EAL 4x4 requirements.

Info at: http://eal.4x4.ee/index.php?option=com_content&task=view&id=41&Itemid=58

3. CHAMPIONSHIP PARTICIPANTS

- 3.1. Racing drivers with a valid Estonian driving license can participate in championship stages.
- 3.2 Championship points are awarded to the pilot (driver) and map-reader/winchman (co-pilot) of the team having registered to the stage of the series and paid the entry fee.

4. LIMIT PRICES FOR ENTRY FEES

4.1. Upper limit of the entry fee for one team is 100 euros. If a team not participating in ORMV series wishes to participate in the competition, the upper limit of the entry fee for that team is 150 euros. Entry fee for a team without pre-registration is maximum of 150 euros paid in the

competition place. The organizer has the right to establish entry fees lower than the limit price. Presented amounts are final.

- 4.2. Registration
- 4.2.1 Pre-entry to the competition is at web page <u>www.autosport.ee</u>. Pre-entry starts with publication of competition rules and finishes 5 (five) days before the start of competitions. In case of pre-entry, a competitor is deemed as registered at the moment of receipt of money at the organiser's account.
- 4.2.2 If the competition does not take place due to failure to act or wrongful acts of the organizer, the stage organizer refunds the paid entry fee in full.
- 4.2.3 In case the competition does not take place due to circumstances not depending on the organizer, the stage organizer refunds 50% of the paid entry fee.

5. RECOMMENDED COURSE OF COMPETITION OF OFFROAD RACING CHAMPIONSHIP STAGE

- 5.1 Recommended **schedule** of competitions:
- 5.1.1 Recommended training race time is 1-2 weeks before competitions.
- 5.1.2 Training races are forbidden on the week of competition.
- 5.1.3 Checking of documents, technical inspection and qualifying stages should take place one day before competitions.
- 5.1.4 Competitors' briefing is obligatory for the competitors.
- 5.2 **Technical inspection.** Competition cars must pass the EAL 4x4 technical inspection before the release of EAL technical card and MA inspection.
- 5.3. **Training races** Stage organizer is responsible for performing training races.
- 5.4 **Qualifications** There is no special starting order in qualifying races and they are run either on a specially prepared track or partial (not less than 25%) competition track.
- 5.4.1 Up to three laps (or separate runs) are driven in qualification.
- 5.4.2 Time of the best lap is taken into account which is considered in determining the starting order. In case of a tie breaking, the result of the second attempt is followed.
- 5.5. **Main races** Competitors who have finished at least in one qualifying round can get to the main race. Competition stewards decide on special occasions and penalties.
- 5.5.1 Main races last for 3 hours.
- 5.5.2 Not more than 30 cars from each class get to the main races from the qualifying stages.
- 5.5.2.1 If there are total of more than 30 teams with pre- and on-site entry, the competition stewards or the competition manager decides on maximum number of teams let to the track depending on weather and track conditions.
- 5.5.3 If a team having made to the main race cannot start, its starting position will not be filled.

5.6 Start organisation.

- 5.6.1 Main race start lists are published on official notice board.
- 5.6.2 All maintenance and repair works are forbidden in the starting area. Mechanics of starting competitors cannot stay in the starting area 5 minutes before the start.
- 5.6.3 Start referees position the competitors to starting positions based on starting order.
- 5.6.4 Start sign is the flash of starting signal, starting shot or a start flag signal.
- 5.6.5 Driving trajectory can be changed in a start corridor only for passing the stopped or slowly moving car and in case the co-competitors are not forced to change the driving trajectory or reduce the driving speed as the result of the maneuver.

- 5.7. Teams violating the competition rules and instruction are punished on the proposal of the chairperson of the Stewards In the course of the competition. Competition manager assigns penalties in case of absence of the Stewards.
- 5.8. Time for submission of protests on stages is 15 minutes after publishing the results of the relevant driving round.
- 5.9. **Joker lap** According to the competition instruction, passing of a mandatory Joker lap can be used.
- 5.9.1 In the specified case the competitors must pass the Joker lap once in main races.
- 5.9.2 In case of not passing the Joker lap, the time penalty is given according to the competition rules.
- 5.9.3 Competitor on the main track has the advantage when exiting the Joker lap.

6 PARC FERMÉ

6.1. Cars participating in qualifying and main race have to be driven or taken to *Parc Fermé* after the end of the race, except the cars which have not finished the race for some reasons. When the driver is stepping out of the car, he or she must leave the *Parc Fermé* territory at once. The cars must be in the *Parc Fermé* at at least 60 minutes after publishing the initial final results. The cars are released from *Parc Fermé* on the order of the competition manager. Any kind of repair or maintenance works are, also refueling are forbidden in *Parc Fermé*.

7 SERVICE AREA

- 7.1 Highest speed allowed in service area is the movement speed of a pedestrian.
- 7.2 The Chief Organizer ensures the availability of at least two fire extinguishers with minimum active agent amount of 6 kg per each. Extinguishers must be at visible place and available for everyone, if needed.
- 7.3. Each competitor must have competition car ground cover with dimensions of at least 5×4 m (PVC) from durable material not penetrating liquids.
- 7.4 The organiser guarantees free access to competitors with two team members to the stages.

8. CHAMPIONSHIP RESULTS

Scores collected from championship stages of the competitors determine the ranking of championship.

8.1. At each stage, points are awarded to one driver and one co-driver according to table 1.The following ranking points of Driver and Co-driver are calculated based on the number of points of the winner by moving downwards in the table.

Table 1. Points according to the table.

- 8.2 Final calculation's sum of championship points of the competitor is summed up according to belonging to the competition class as a summary from all stages. Competitor on any stage of the series is awarded points based on assessment table independent of the competition class which value depends on the number of starting teams and place achieved in the competitions. All points of four stages are summarized. Absence from the start equals to 0 points.
- 8.3. In case of a tied score, the tie is broken and the ties competitor having more wins (second, third etc places) is preferred.

- 8.3.1 If it is still a tied score, the higher places on stages where both tied drivers have participated are observed.
- 8.3.2 If still tied, the competitor who achieved better result on the last scored, then one before last scored stage, etc driven together is awarded the higher place.
- 8.3.3 If the competitors have not participated in any competition together, the competitor who achieved the better result on the last stage, will be preferred.
- 8.4 If there are less than 5 teams participating in the stage, championship points are not awarded within the framework of that stage to that class competitors.
- 8.5 Champion's title is awarded when at least 10 teams in one class are participating in the stage.
- 8.6 Written motions on championship point calculations are received in the competition office of EAL within three (3) business days after publishing the points.

9 CHAMPIONSHIP AWARDING

- 9.1 Three best teams of the car class are awarded at the championship stage with cups and there are special prizes.
- 9.2 EAL awards 3 best ones of the championship finals with cups and medals at the end of the season.
- 9.3 Championship awarding takes place at finishing of the season 2015 of EAL 4x4 sub-committee.

Annex 1 Penalty table

	Violation	Penalty (up to)
1	Non-conformance to technical specifications	Disqualification
2	Lack of valid driver's license	Disqualification
3	Lack of ASN permission on participation application (if necessary)	Disqualification in championship records (stewards decide on letting to start)
4	Entry fee not paid	Disqualification
5	Non-performance of safety requirements prescribed by FIA or instructions	Stewards/competition manager's decision
6	Being late to the start line if it causes delay in the course of competitions	Fine of 100 euros Start delay compared to standard start 5 min
7	Absence of markings placed by the technical committee Not removing deficiencies and non conformances	Stewards/competition manager's decision

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8	Shifting of track signs or driving outside the track with the aim to improve time	STOP fine according to competition instructions	
9	First false start in driving round	Fine of 100 euros	
	First false start in main race Second false starter in main race	Warning and STOP fine according to competition instructions	
10	Ignoring of flag signals	Stewards/competition manager's decision	
	Ignoring of yellow flag	Warning with STOP penalty To removal from competition?	
11	Ignoring of safety requirements during the competition	Stewards/competition manager's decision	
12	Too high speed on service area	Penalty up to 200 euros to removal from competitions	
13	Ignoring of Parc Fermé rules	Removal from competition Warning	
14	Being late to technical inspection	Disqualification	
15	Not passing Joker lap in a driving round	Adding of time of one lap (slowest one)	
		Fine of 100 euros, warning	
16	Non- appearance to awarding Not informing liaison referee; non appearance/unsuitable clothing	Cancellation of the stage result	
17	Not informing liaison referee, not about not participating in the qualifying stage	Warning	
18	Second warning in two competitions in sequence	Cancellation of the stage result	
19	It is forbidden to smoke and consume alcohol on Parc Fermé area	Fine of 200 euros Warning	

20	Absence of a name tag in competitor's pit	Fine of 20 euros

Annex 2 calendar

N	Time	Name	Place	Organiser
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1	15-17.05.2015	Estonian Oro stage	Oro,	Toomas Land
			Orava vald	
2	27-28.06.2015	Ridala Offroad	Ridala vald,	Matis Trei
			Läänemaa	
3	31.07-02.08.2015	Estonian "Klaperjaht"	Nõo vald,	Vaiko Pütsepp
			Laguja	
4	26-27.09.2015	Estonian Antsumäe stage	Antsumäe,	Janek Treier
			Lasva vald	