

2025 North Island Rally Series

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ARTICLE 1 – INTERPRETATION

In these Articles, the following expressions shall have the meanings set out thus:

"The Series" means the "2025 North Island Rally Series"

"Round Organiser" means the MotorSport NZ member club organising an event which is a round of the Series: and

"National Sporting Code or NSC" means MotorSport NZ's National Sporting Code; and

"Round" means each Event the results of which qualify for points in the Series; and

"NIRS" means 2025 North Island Rally Series.



ARTICLE 2 – OBJECTIVES

- To promote and encourage clubman and regional level competitors and event organisers to participate in a regional rally series, aimed at increasing their skills and profiles prior to graduating to events at a higher level.
- To create a fun, friendly and cost-effective competition for volunteers, crews and event organisers.

ARTICLE 3 – ELIGIBILITY

3.1 Drivers/Co-drivers

- 3.1.1 All drivers and co-drivers in the Series must be a current financial member of any MotorSport NZ member club. All drivers and co-drivers must also satisfy the entry requirements of each Round Organiser.
- 3.1.2 To win the overall series driver or co-driver award only, the registered driver or registered co-driver must reside in the North Island. In addition to this there will be an award for the highest placed overall registered non-resident driver and co-driver.
- 3.1.3 Competitors who are not registered to receive points in terms of Article 6 will be deemed "non-existent" for the purposes of points allocation and all registered competitors shall have their placings improved accordingly.
- 3.1.4 The NIRS shall retain the right of determination as to whether a registered driver resides in the North Island. Any competitor may seek clarification from them prior to lodging a Round entry. All other classes qualify for any registered competitors to gain points and win etc.

3.2 Vehicles

Eligibility shall be for rally cars complying with the specifications set out in the current Motorsport Manual Appendix Two, Schedule A.

3.3 Classes

3.3.1 The following classes will be recognized for the Series:

Class A	2WD 0-1300cc
Class B	2WD 1301-1600cc
Class C	2WD 1601cc-2000cc
Class D	2WD 2001cc and over
Class E	2WD Classic
Class F	4WD 1601-1999cc (engine block size only for AP4, WRC2 & R5 vehicles)
Class G	4WD 2000cc and over
Class H	Subaru H6
Class I	Pre 96 4WD

Class E. H. and I Eligibility:

See separate compliance schedules attached to these articles.

3.3.2 It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that the correct class is entered on the round entry form and the result sheet.



3.3.3 Only one vehicle class can be entered for any single event.

ARTICLE 4 – SERIES STRUCTURE

4.1 The Series for 2025 shall comprise the following Rounds:

Round	Date	Event	Organising Club
1	11 th May	Ruarangi Road Rallysprint	Northland Car Club
2	12 th July	SBT Group Taranaki Tarmac	South Taranaki & Taranaki Car
		Rally	Clubs
3	23 rd August	Goldrush Rally Coromandel	Rally New Zealand
4	23 rd November	Newstead Lodge Waitomo Rally	Hamilton Car Club
5	11 th October	Rally Bay of Plenty (NZRC)	MotorSport Bay of Plenty

Note: All dates are provisional as of 17th January 2025 and subject to confirmation by the round organisers.

ARTICLE 5 – SERIES PERSONNEL

At each Round, the NIRS will be represented by:

- a) One of the NIRS Committee members, or
- b) Their agent.

The NIRS representative shall be responsible for and authorised on the NIRS's behalf to:

- a) Deal with all administration matters pertaining to the Series, and
- b) Record and publish all Series points schedules, and
- c) Liaise with Round Organisers on all matters pertaining to these Articles, and
- d) Ensure correct placement of decals on vehicles contesting the Series, and
- e) Manage all publicity for the Series.

ARTICLE 6 – SERIES ENTRY/REGISTRATION

6.1 Drivers/Co-drivers

- 6.1.1 Registration for the Series is to be made on the Series registration form provided with these Articles and must be sent to the Series Registration administrator prior to the first Round they enter.
- 6.1.2 Competitors must register prior to the event they wish to start scoring points from; however, you must register prior to the third round to qualify for points.
- 6.1.3 Registration for the Series will become effective from the date of receipt of a registration form and payment of the fee by the Series Registration administrator.

Note: Points for the Series will only be awarded for Rounds entered after the date of receipt of registration.

6.1.4 Registration fee: drivers and co-drivers are required to register for the Series (\$80 per driver and \$80 per co-driver). Information will only be emailed – no information will be sent by post.



- 6.1.5 Entry for each Round of the NIRS is to be made on the Round Organiser's event entry form.
- 6.1.6 It is the responsibility of the competitor to obtain the necessary entry forms for each Round and complete them in accordance with the Supplementary Regulations for that Round.
- 6.1.7 By entering the NIRS, all drivers and co-drivers agree to comply with these Articles and the National Sporting Code and thereby become eligible for the awards and other benefits available under these Articles.
- 6.1.8 Registered competitors can accrue points in both Driver and Co-driver categories (if their roles change during the Series) without payment of an additional Series registration fee.

ARTICLE 7 – DETERMINATION OF THE SERIES

7.1 Number of Rounds

The series shall comprise of 5 Rounds in 2025.

Overall and class titles will be determined by the total aggregate points accrued by each competitor from the 4 highest scoring rounds (i.e. drop worst round).

In the event of one round being cancelled, the series will revert to total aggregate points from all 4 rounds. If two rounds are cancelled, the total aggregate points are accrued from all 3 rounds etc.

The NIRS committee reserve the right to replace any cancelled event with a suitable alternative

- 7.1.1 Should a driver or co-driver change classes during the season, points will only accumulate in those classes and are not transferable. Overall driver and co-driver titles will not be affected by changing classes.
- 7.1.2 The Committee reserves the right to either cancel or amend any Rounds due to "force majeure" without affecting in any way its power to award any title.



7.2 Points

a) Points for Overall are based on overall placing in each Round and will be allocated to the drivers and co-drivers in accordance with the following scale:

Place	Points
1st	40
2nd 3rd	34
3rd	30
4th	27
5th	24
6th	22
7th 8th	20
8th	18
9th	16
10th	14

Place	Points
11th	12
12th	10
13th	8
14th	7
15th	6
16th	5
17th	4
18th	3
19th	2
20th	1

b) Points for each Class are based on Class placing in each Round and will be allocated to the drivers and co-drivers in accordance with the following scale:

Place	Points
1st	20
2nd	15
3rd	12
4th	10
2nd 3rd 4th 5th 6th 7th 8th 9th	8
6th	6
7th	4
8th	3
	2
10th	1

c) Where an individual NIRS round provides separate National and Clubman's permitted rallies, the overall and class points accrued on the Clubman event will be half that available to finishers on the National event.

Note: No points are accrued by simply entering or starting an event.

7.3 Determination of Ties

- 7.3.1 Should a "dead heat" occur in any Round of the NIRS, the points allocated to the position "dead heated" will be awarded equally. For example, if two competitors finish 5th, they will both earn 5th place points while the next competitor will earn 7th place points.
- 7.3.2 In the event of a "tie" in the final points tally of the NIRS for any placing, the best placing shall be determined by reference to the greater number of superior positions won in the various categories from which the points derive (e.g. the number of first places, then the number of second places etc.).



- 7.3.3 Should paragraphs 7.3.1 and 7.3.2 fail to separate equal placings, such placings will be determined by the overall points achieved.
- 7.3.4 In the event that the previous paragraphs 7.3.1, 7.3.2 and 7.3.3 above prove ineffective in determining a placing, then the Committee shall, after taking into account such considerations as they deem to be desirable, either declare a placing or declare two or more competitors (as may be appropriate) to be the equal place getters of the NIRS overall or NIRS class.

ARTICLE 8 - AWARDS

8.1 Titles – Drivers

a) Series Award: This title shall be awarded to the registered driver nominated on the Series registration form who has gained the highest aggregate number of points in the Series (as per Art 7.1), regardless of Class.

The Series Award winner will receive the Allan Woolf Memorial North Island Rally Series Perennial Trophy, plus a similar small version to retain.

- **b)** There will also be trophies for second and third driver highest aggregate number of points in the series (as per article 7.1) regardless of class.
- c) Class Awards: These titles shall be awarded to the registered drivers nominated on the Series registration form who have gained the highest aggregate number of points in the Series in their respective Classes: (as per Art 7.1)

Class A	2WD 0-1300cc
Class B	2WD 1301-1600cc
Class C	2WD 1601cc-2000cc
Class D	2WD 2001cc and over
Class E	2WD Classic
Class F	4WD 1601-1999cc (engine block size only for AP4, WRC2 & R5 vehicles)
Class G	4WD 2000cc and over
Class H	Subaru H6
Class I	Pre 96 4WD

The Class winning drivers (this does not preclude the Series overall winner) will receive the NIRS Series Class Trophy.

8.2 Titles – Co-drivers

a) Co-drivers Award: This title shall be awarded to the registered co-driver who has gained the highest aggregate number of points in the Series, (as per Art 7.1) regardless of Class.

The Series winning co-driver will receive the Allan Woolf Memorial North Island Rally Series Perennial Trophy, plus a similar small version to retain.

b) There will also be trophies for second and third co-driver highest aggregate number of points in the series (as per article 7.1) regardless of class.



c) Class Awards: These titles shall be awarded to the registered co-drivers nominated on the Series registration form who have gained the highest aggregate number of points in the Series in their respective Classes; (as per Art 7.1)

Class A	2WD 0-1300cc
Class B	2WD 1301-1600cc
Class C	2WD 1601cc-2000cc
Class D	2WD 2001cc and over
Class E	2WD Classic
Class F	4WD 1601-1999cc (engine block size only for AP4, WRC2 & R5 vehicles)
Class G	4WD 2000cc and over
Class H	Subaru H6
Class I	Pre 96 4WD

The Class Winning co-drivers will receive the NIRS Series Class Trophy.

8.3 Additional Awards

- 8.3.1 Masters driver for drivers 65 years and older before Round 1.
- 8.3.2 Masters co-driver for co-drivers 65 years and older before Round 1.
- 8.3.3 Rookie/Novice driver for drivers who have never started a rally previously.
- 8.3.4 Rookie/Novice co-driver for co-drivers who have never started a rally previously.
- 8.3.5 Highest Placed Overall 'Non-Resident'* driver

 *Resides outside of New Zealand's North Island
- 8.3.6 Highest Placed Overall 'Non-Resident'* co-driver *Resides outside of New Zealand's North Island
- 8.3.7 Highest Placed Overall driver and co-driver Not Using Pacenotes, Safety Notes, or any Onboard Video Footage (referred to in the Registration Form as 'Blind').
- 8.3.8 The Car Club or Clubs that the NIRS committee deem hosted the best event of the Series.
- 8.3.9 It is the competitors responsibility to ensure that the correct additional awards are entered when registering.

ARTICLE 9 - DECALS

- 9.1 The NIRS decals shall be displayed prominently on <u>both sides</u> of the vehicle (*i.e. not on top of bonnet, boot, or roof*).
- 9.1.1 An NIRS decal will be displayed on the top right-hand side of windscreen for photography identification.
- 9.2 Organisers are requested to include Article 9 in their Event Supplementary Regulations.



9.3 **Series partners:** (As of 1st January 2025)

Allport Motorsport

Racetech, Semog Racing Products New Zealand, iSignit, JAMEX, Sell Your Van, Volt Media, ChrisSport, Ellerslie Jewellers, FujiFilm and Pure Quality Construction

Please support these businesses where you can and remember to thank them for supporting the NIRS.

ARTICLE 10 - PRIORITY

- 10.1 Priority entry to events will be given by the organisers to competitors registered in this Series, provided the competitor's entry is received before 'normal' entries close and is not a 'late' entry.
- 10.2 Organisers are requested to include Article 10.1 in their Event Supplementary Regulations (non New Zealand Rally Championship).

