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Welcome

The Ultimate Rally Group Limited is the promoter behind the 2018 Silver Fern Rally, we wish to extend a warm welcome to those competing in the forthcoming Silver Fern Rally scheduled for the **23rd November to 1st December 2018.**

This rally has grown in stature from humble beginnings in 2006 when a very small group of enthusiasts gathered to re-create an event to replicate events of the 1970's, when rallying was in it's infancy, to a well-managed and world renowned icon of marathon rallying that gathers participants from all corners of the globe.

The first event was a great success exceeding all expectations and since those days it has continued on a bi-annual basis. Over the following years the Silver Fern Rally has grown in reputation and is now regarded as one of the most prestigious long distance marathon rallies in the world. In keeping with the formative years, we continues to provide more than 1,000km of closed road special stage distance, as we traverses one of New Zealand's two major islands during the week-long event.

As an event, we are honoured by the calibre of competitors and vehicles that enter, many of whom return time after time for the enjoyment and challenges that we provide and together we enjoy the world-wide friendships forged during the battles of competition.

For the 2018 event, we will be returning to the North Island and providing another fresh, new, and exciting route encompassing new special stages and a few old ones from years gone by, along with a number of new combinations of roads as we wind our way across the Central Regions of the North Island.

Whether you are a competitor, service crew, official, supporter or a follower of the sport we invite you to join with us for the adventure that will be the 2018 Silver Fern Rally.

Regular information will be available on the Silver Fern website www.silverfernrally.co.nz as it comes to hand. So go online and sign up to receive the newsletters to be up to date with all the latest information.

On behalf of the Silver Fern Rally Team, I extend a warm welcome and look forward to seeing in November 2018.

Peter Martin
Managing Director
Ultimate Rally Group Limited

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PREAMBLE

These regulations have been formed to allow the running of a marathon style rally for cars in an atmosphere that is relaxed and informal.

1. JURISDICTION DEFINITION AND STATUS

This event is a National Event with foreign participation permitted, organised by Club Targa Inc., and will take place between **Friday 16th November and Saturday 24th November 2018** in the North Island of New Zealand.

The Rally will be held under the Event Supplementary Regulations, the MotorSport NZ National Sporting Code and its Appendices and Schedules particularly Appendix Three, Schedule R being the Standing Regulations for all Rallies and Appendix Two, Schedule A – Driver Safety and Vehicle Requirements.

The event is a “Blind Rally” and reconnaissance of special stages is prohibited. Only Organiser **provided Stage information is authorised** and may only be embellished with information transferred from the Road Book or otherwise supplied by the Organisers. (Sch R Art 7.1)

The MotorSport NZ Permit Number is: **TBA**

2. ORGANISATION

2.1 Organisation Committee

Peter Martin (Chairman), Trevor Carswell, Vicki Main, Wayne Barnard and the Heads of Departments.

The list of Officials will be published in Supplementary Regulations Part 2.

Address and contact phone number for all matters pertaining to the event are as follows:

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3. THE EVENT

3.1 Venue:

The event will be held between **Friday 23rd November and Saturday 1st December 2018**, starting in Hamilton and finishing in Rotorua. The planned course will be detailed in the event itinerary and road books.

The daily overnight stops are: -

Saturday 24th November – Day 1
Overnight at Hamilton

Wednesday 28th November - Day 5
Overnight at Palmerston North

Sunday 25th November - Day 2
Overnight at New Plymouth

Thursday 29th November - Day 6
Overnight at Havelock North

Monday 26th November - Day 3
Overnight at Ohakune

Friday 30th November - Day 7
Overnight at Gisborne

Tuesday 27th November - Day 4
Overnight at Palmerston North

Saturday 1st December – Day 8
End of Event in Rotorua

3.2 Length:

The rally comprises of approximately 1,193km of special stages and 1,518km of touring. The provisional Itinerary will be released with Part Two of these Regulations.

4. CRITICAL DATES AND TIMES

Friday 8th December 2017

0800hrs Supplementary Regulations Part One and Rally Guide Released
Early Bird entry registration opens

Wednesday 31st January 2018

1700hrs Early Bird Entry option closes and 1st payment due

Wednesday 28th February 2018

0800hrs Supplementary Regulations Part Two and event entry forms Released

Saturday 31st March 2018

1700hrs Early Bird Entry 2nd payment due

Thursday 31st May 2018

1700hrs Early Bird Entry 3rd payment due
Standard Entry registrations close
Standard Entry 1st payment due

Tuesday 31st July 2018

1700hrs Early Bird Entry 4th payment due
Standard Entry 2nd payment due

Sunday 30th September 2018

1700hrs Early Bird Entry final payment due
Standard Entry final payment due
Standard Entry rate closes.

Friday 5th October 2018

0900hrs Entry List published
Service Books available
(Distribution to New Zealand addresses, International – by prior arrangement)

Wednesday 31st October 2018

1700hrs Late Entries close

Friday 23rd November 2018

Pre-event shakedown, time and venue to be confirmed

Friday 23rd November 2018

Scrutineering and documentation, time and venue to be advised

Saturday 24th November 2018

Rally Start, Hamilton, time to be confirmed

Saturday 1st December 2018

Rally Finish, Rotorua, time to be confirmed

5. ENTRIES

5.1 OPENING AND CLOSING

5.1.1 Open with the publication of these regulations and close at 1700hrs on Sunday 30th September 2018.

5.1.2 Entries post marked after the normal closing date but received prior to 1700hrs on Wednesday 31st October 2018 will be subject to a late entry fee of \$500. Entries received after this date will only be accepted at the organisers' discretion.

5.1.3 The Entry Fee must be received in full by the organiser within 2 days following the close of entries.

5.1.4 Any entry not complying with this article in full will not be accepted.

5.2 ENTRY ACCEPTANCE

Entries are to be made online via the website www.silverfernrally.co.nz and to be deemed valid must be complete in all details and accompanied by the appropriate fees. Acceptance will be at the organising committee's discretion.

The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry in accordance with the prescribed provisions of the MotorSport NZ National Sporting Code.

5.3 ENTRY FEES

The 2018 event entry packages and fee payment options are set out below. All Fees are shown in NZ Dollars and are plus GST (Goods and Services Tax). (15%)

If payment is being paid by instalments, payment must begin by the first instalment date of an option, to qualify for that option. If you miss a payment you will automatically incur a 10% penalty.

Entry Fees for any of the schedules can be paid in full at any time.

Withdrawal must be notified in writing. A refund policy is detailed in each section.

NZ SILVER FERN HISTORIC TROPHY AND CHALLENGE RALLY

Early-Bird Entry Fee: NZ\$9,000 plus a medical levy of \$580 and RallySafe charge of \$420, plus GST, totals NZ\$11,500. The first NZ\$1,150 of your total entry fees paid is a non-refundable administration fee. **Early-Bird rate closes on 31st January 2018.**

Instalments:

- \$2,500 to be paid by 31 January 2018
- \$2,000 to be paid by 31 March 2018
- \$2,000 to be paid by 31 May 2018
- \$2,000 to be paid by 31 July 2018
- \$2,000 to be paid by 30 September 2018

There will be a 10% penalty added for late payments.

There will be an additional fee of \$1000 for the non-display of each organisers sponsors advertising.

Early-Bird Payment Benefits:

- Get in Early, lower instalment payments, lower entry fees.
- Four (4) tickets to the Official Prize giving and other official functions.
- Four (4) Official event merchandise (clothing) packages.
- Two (2) free Service Crew registrations & identification which includes access to restricted entry service areas.
- Service Crew maps and service area details.

Refund Policy: The refund to be paid will be calculated by taking the total amounts paid and applying the following, less the non-refundable \$1,150.

- Notification by 31 May 2018 = 75%
- Notification by 31 July 2018 = 50%
- Notification by 30 September 2018 = 25%
- Thereafter No refund

Standard Entry Fee: NZ\$11,000.00 plus a Medical Levy of \$580 and RallySafe charge of \$420, plus GST, totals NZ\$13,800. The first NZ\$1,150 of your total entry fees paid is a non-refundable administration fee. **Standard rate closes on 30th September 2018.**

Instalments:

- \$5,800 to be paid by 31 May 2016
- \$4,000 to be paid by 31 July 2016
- \$4,000 to be paid by 30 September 2016

There will be a 10% penalty added for late payments.

There will be an additional fee of \$1,000 for the non-display of each organisers sponsors advertising.

Benefits:

- Four (4) tickets to the Official Prize-giving and other official functions.
- Four (4) Official event merchandise (clothing) packages.
- Two (2) free Service Crew registrations & identification which includes access to restricted entry service areas.
- Service Crew maps and service area details.

Refund Policy: The refund to be paid will be calculated by taking the total amounts paid and applying the following, less the non-refundable \$1,150.

- Notification by 31 July 2018 = 50%
- Notification by 30 September 2018 = 25%
- Thereafter No refund

Service Crew Registration:

NZ\$350.00 per extra vehicle which will provide:

- Service crew identification.
- Access to restricted entry service areas.
- Service Crew maps and service area details.

All Service Vehicles (including management cars) must be registered with the organisers.

Teams Entry:

NZ\$150.00 per team of three (3) vehicles.

5.4 PAYMENT DETAILS

5.4.1 Payment of entry fees can be made by: Cheque, Bank draft, Telegraphic transfer or Credit card – Visa/Master card

5.4.2 Bank account details for sending a telegraphic transfer are:

Bank: BNZ Ltd
Address Pukekohe
New Zealand.

Account Name: **Silver Fern Rally Promotions Ltd**
Account Number: **02-0404-0255632-00**
International Swift Code **BKNZNZ22**

Please ensure that the No1 driver's name is included as reference on all bank transfers.

When paying by Telegraphic transfer it is essential that you provide details of this payment to the Secretary to ensure that payment is receipted prior to the close of entries.

5.4.3 If payment is by cheque please make payable to "Silver Fern Rally Promotions Ltd".

5.4.4 If payment is to be by credit card debit, please ensure the relevant authority on the payment form is completed, and advise the person responsible for administering your account, that the debit will be in the name of TARGA NZ on card statements.

Please note: A 2% merchant fee applies for any credit card transactions over \$600.

Note: All Bank Charges incurred must be paid by the sender.

6. NUMBER OF STARTERS

The organisers reserve the right to abandon the event if less than 60 NZ Silver Fern entries are received by the final payment date. The maximum number of starters will be 120. Any additional entries received will be placed on the reserve start list in order of receipt.

7. COMPETITOR REQUIREMENTS

7.1 KNOWLEDGE AND UNDERSTANDINGS

In signing the entry form competitors (Entrant and Drivers) are deemed to fully understand the MotorSport NZ National Sporting Code and its relevant Appendices and Schedules.

Copies of MotorSport New Zealand National Sporting Code and appendices are available from their website <http://www.motorsport.org.nz/resources/motorsport-manual>

7.2 LICENCE REQUIREMENTS

(a) International Competitors:

- Shall hold either an FIA International Rally Licence or
- A National Rally Grade Licence from their ASN plus a visa to compete.
- A current Medical Certificate

(b) Australian Competitors:

- Shall hold either an FIA International Rally Licence and an International Visa or Trans-Tasman Visa and a current international medical certificate, OR
- A National Grade Rally Licence and a Trans-Tasman Visa issued by CAMS, this must be obtained prior to arriving in NZ

(c) New Zealand Competitors:

- Both No. 1 and No. 2 drivers shall hold a National Rally Grade (R1) or higher Motorsport NZ issued Competitors Licence.

8. ELIGIBLE VEHICLES

8.1 PHILOSOPHY

The eligibility and classes have been created to allow for competition between similar vehicles in an atmosphere that is relaxed and informal.

The historic classes recognise those cars that have previously been eligible for New Zealand Rally Championships and support the initiative commenced by MotorSport NZ in providing a competition for these cars.

8.2. CLASSES

NZ SILVER FERN HISTORIC TROPHY

For two wheel drive vehicles compliant with:

- The Technical eligibility regulations for the FIA European Historic Sporting Rally Championship for which a Historical Technical Passport (or equivalent) is required.
Or
- The Historic Technical eligibility regulation for Sporting Rallies of the ASN of the competitor for which a Historical Technical Passport (or equivalent) issued by the ASN is required.
Or.
- For vehicles compliant to MotorSport New Zealand Schedule RH (Rally Historic) for which a MotorSport NZ Certificate of description (COD) is required

Class A	0-1300cc
Class B	1301-1600cc
Class C	1601-2000cc
Class D	over 2001cc

NZ SILVER FERN CHALLENGE RALLY

For two wheel drive vehicles compliant with the MotorSport New Zealand Schedule A safety regulations

Class E	0-1300cc
Class F	1301-1600cc
Class G	1601-2000cc
Class H	over 2001cc

Note:

A Competitor can only contest one class.

- CC capacity is to be true capacity with allowance for 1.5mm overbore.
- Vehicles driven by overseas competitors must comply with either the relevant FIA safety standards or MotorSport NZ Schedule A.

9. RESULTS

Separate results will be published for the NZ Silver Fern Historic Trophy and NZ Silver Fern Challenge Rally. There will be no combined results published.

10. INSURANCE

- 10.1 All New Zealand residents and overseas visitors to New Zealand are covered by 24 hour no-fault personal injury accident insurance, where that accident is deemed to be an accident as defined in the Injury Prevention, Rehabilitation and Compensation Act 2001. Overseas visitors are recommended to have personal travel and medical insurance. Third Party Property Insurance or Comprehensive Vehicle Insurance is the responsibility of the entrant / competitor. The service vehicles and management vehicles including those bearing special plates issued by the organisers may never be considered as official participants in the rally. They are therefore not covered by the insurance policy of the rally and will remain the sole responsibility of their owner.
- 10.2 Competitors and crew members are covered for public liability under a master policy held by MotorSport New Zealand for an amount of NZ\$10 million for the entire event. Full details may be obtained upon request to the organisers.
- 10.3 In the event of an accident the competitor or his representative must notify the Clerk of the Course in writing within 4 hours. The competitor must provide full details including the names and addresses of those involved and any witnesses.

11 GENERAL

11.1 RECONNAISSANCE:

Reconnaissance by either the crew or their agents is not permitted at any time following publication of these supplementary regulations. Should an intending competitor or their agents be found to have carried out reconnaissance their entry will not be accepted and the matter reported to MotorSport NZ for further action.

11.2 CARRIAGE OF ELECTRONIC MAPS, GPS, PACE NOTES AND/OR SAFETY NOTES

Only Organiser provided Stage **information / instructions** are authorised and may only be embellished with information transferred from the Road book or otherwise supplied by the Organisers. (Sch R Art 7.1) The carriage or use of any other form of Pace Notes, Stage Notes, Safety Notes or Electronic Map other than a cellular phone or automotive accessory type GPS mapping unit in the competing vehicle is specifically forbidden and will incur a penalty and the matter will be reported to MotorSport NZ for further action.

11.3 COMPETITOR INFORMATION SHEETS:

Items of a general information nature will be posted on the website www.silverfernally.co.nz as they become available. It is recommended that competitors regularly check this website.

12 **IMPORT OF VEHICLES AND SPARE PARTS**

We strongly recommend that competitors utilise the facilities of our shipping agent GT International Logistics and direct the shipping of vehicle/s in and out of New Zealand via the Port of Auckland.

For further information contact: **Phil Gibbs**

GT International Logistics LTD

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Website: www.gtlogistics.co.nz

The event Chief Scrutineer will be available during the unloading process and will assist to complete the requirements for vehicle/s to be issued with a Warrant of Fitness which then allows for the vehicle to be driven in New Zealand. For further information visit: <http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/factsheets/35/importing-a-vehicle-temporarily.html>

13 **HOTEL AND ACCOMODATION RESERVATION**

Hotel / Motel bookings are being put in place for teams or officials at all overnight stopovers, and can include extra nights before and after the event.

Booking procedure. Accommodation packages are available on request.

There are many varied options for accommodation in most of the overnight venues, and you may choose to accommodate yourself or your team away from the event hotels preferences, but still near to the end of day Service Parks and Parc Ferme, in most of the overnight stops accommodation is only a few minutes from the Rally venues.

14 **GENERAL FACTS ABOUT NEW ZEALAND**

Driving in New Zealand:

- The New Zealand traffic drive on the Left Hand side of the road.
- The open road speed limit is 100kph.
- The speed limit in urban areas is well signposted and can vary dependant on the location.
- In general the towns and cities have a 50kph speed limit.
- The Traffic regulations and speed limits are strictly enforced.
- The NZ Police can impound vehicles caught traveling at excessive speed.

For more traffic and driver information including regulations visit:

<http://www.nzta.govt.nz/resources/roadcode/road-code-index.html>

Language:

- English is the legal language of New Zealand

Currency:

- The currency is the New Zealand Dollar (\$) and all major credit cards are readily acceptable
- For current rate of exchange visit: <http://www.newzealand.com/int/feature/new-zealand-currency>

Tourists in New Zealand:

- New Zealand is a world recognised tourist destination offering a wide variety of sights, sounds and activities for all travellers. For more tourist information visit: <http://www.newzealand.com/int>