



# Competitor Guidance

## Limited Contact Rally Timekeeping

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### Introduction

To reduce interaction and to protect timekeepers, competitors and officials it has been necessary to change the way timing and results are operated on events. Instead of handing over your time card at each control it will be necessary for the co-drivers to fill in their own time cards. **This is for your own record only.** Your actual event results will be calculated from the times automatically transmitted from the start and flying finish clocks or from the control check sheets.

### Aims

- Reduce interaction between timekeepers and competitors
- Reduce the number of timekeeper marshals required.
- Reduce contact between the results team and competitors.

### Touchpoints

The previous method of rally timekeeping relied on a marshal filling in the competitors time card at each control. This means that each time card will be handled by a least 7 different people by the time it gets back to the results office, which would be a perfect way for any virus to spread.

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The following is a walkthrough of each control:

### MTC / ATC

A large 'time of day' display will show a running clock as the competitor arrives.

The marshal will stop the clock and enter your vehicle number when the car reaches the Red control board.



If you are unable to reach the Red board because of a queue, stay in your vehicle, it will be dealt with once you get to the red board.

The marshal will not be able to wander down the line of waiting cars because the equipment is not easily moved.

The clock display will freeze and show just HH:MM:00

If this is not the time required because of some holdup on the stage, discuss with the marshal who can make an adjustment.

Write this time on your timecard.

**Note:** If you enter the control area (defined by the yellow board) early you will receive a penalty. R 30.2 (e)

### Stage Start

The stage start will have a time display as well as traffic light indicators. This may be a single unit or two separate displays.

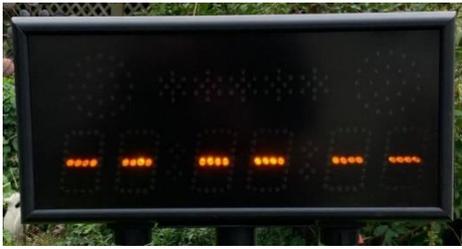
If you are in a queue of cars you should be able to deduce and write down your start time before approaching the start based on the times given to the cars in front.



**On the 2022 Donington Rally all stages will start at 30 second intervals.**

A marshal will call the car forward to the correct start position (may be indicated by a stick). As you approach the start the display will show your start time. Quickly write this on your timecard.

## Stage Start continued



Initially the display will show dashes



The RED will illuminate with 15 seconds to go



Amber lights will come on at 10 seconds to go



Red goes out with 5 seconds left



last 5 seconds counted down on the amber LED's



The green light comes on when time to GO.  
(12:57:30).

**Timing starts when the green light is shown, irrespective of if the crew are ready to start!**

**Note:** There is a timing beam that will automatically confirm if you made a Jump Start.

## Flying Finish

Well done, you have completed the stage, but keep going and prepare to stop at the red STOP board

## Stop Line

A display similar to this will be used at the stop line to show your car number and the time you broke the beam at the Flying Finish.



Write this time down quickly and move away from the stop to allow for the next competitor arriving.

If it is not your car number shown, wait for the marshal's instructions before writing down the time.

Do not panic if the marshals ask you to move away from the Stop Line. We will have your time recorded in the clock system and on a check sheet.

## PC (issues next ATC time)

Your due time at the next ATC will be shown on an LED display as you arrive. The display may include vehicle number or just your due time as HH: MM: SS

Write this time down on your next time card so you know what time you should be at the next ATC.



## Results Queries.

Queries regarding stage times and penalties can only be done electronically using a mobile phone to text, e-mail or WhatsApp your problem.

Results queries should be sent to Matthew Atkinson on **07970 264094**

For any query, the following information is essential:

- Vehicle competition number
- Stage number
- Details of the query
- Your name