



# Bluenose Autosport Club Navigational (TSD) Rally General Competition Regulations (GCRs)

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## Types of Rallies

### Fun Rallies

Rallies that contain the general ideas and principals of rallying, including various types of instructions and gimmicks. These events can be scheduled to take place at specified times or after other club events/meetings. These rallies are meant to serve as fun events to promote fellowship and as an introduction to rallying. These rallies will not count towards the club championship (neither Novice nor Experienced). A voluntary draw for partners (driver/navigator) at fun rallies is an option at the discretion of the fun rally organizer.

### Club Championship Rallies

Rallies other than fun rallies that are included in the annual competition calendar for the purpose of determining club champions. The club championship will consist of a separate driver and navigator championship in both the Novice and Experienced classes. To qualify for the Experienced club championship awards each competitor must assist with the running of at least one club championship rally.

### Regional Rallies

Rallies scheduled and run under [ARMS Inc. Rally Regulations](#) as Regional Rallies

## Club Championship

Club Championships shall be awarded based on total point score of each individual, in each of the Novice and Experienced Classes.

The total point score for an individual shall include points gained in the following:

- The points earned in the total number of rallies run, less two if there are more than five rallies in the season, or the total number of rallies run less one if there are five rallies or less.
- One out of province rally, when scored against any other BAC competitors in that particular rally
- Organizer points equal to your best finish for one rally that you organize or perform a major task

There shall be a driver and a navigator category. A competitor will be scored in the category in which they scored the most points.

Club Championship rallies are to be organized and run in accordance with the following rules and regulations.

## Terms and Definitions

As per [ARMS Inc. Rally Regulations](#)

## General Rules

1. That there be a minimum of two organizers per rally, one of whom must be a BAC member in good standing and one of whom must be an experienced rallyist.
2. That events in this category cover a distance of at least 100 km, excluding the odometer check.
3. That events in this category must include a minimum of three sections, using a minimum of three different types of instructions.
4. That the organizers ensure, through the competition director, if necessary, that a third party is secured to check the complete route for time, speeds, road conditions, instructions and act as scrutineer and steward.
5. That the route be checked and OK'd by this person, no less than ten days prior to the rally and at the discretion of the steward the route be rechecked in the event of special events occurring (ie weather).
6. That a copy of the Supplementary Regulations be submitted to the competition director at least fourteen days prior to the rally and be posted on the website and emailed to all current BAC members interested in Navigation Rally at least twelve days prior to the rally.
7. That a copy of each set of instructions (Novice and Experienced) plus a copy of the final results, be submitted to the competition director to be kept on file for the club records.
8. That unofficial results be posted at the final control within 60 minutes of the maximum lateness of the last entry and the results will be finalized thirty minutes thereafter by the steward. Official results must be communicated to the competitors within seven days of the rally (via email, social media, and/or website).
9. That awards be given in two classes: Novice and Experienced. First, second and third place awards be given in each class providing there are a minimum of six entries in that class; First and Second place awards be given if there are fewer than 6 entries in that class.

10. That at all briefings prior to the start of the rally, proper rally route control procedure be explained and demonstrated so that the new rallyists do not run the risk of incurring further penalties and of creating a possible accident hazard.
11. All competitors, organizers, and volunteers must sign the current season BAC electronic waiver. ([2024-2025 link](#)).

## Results

The posting and handling of results shall follow the procedure outlines in the CARS National Rally Regulations.

Results must be electronically mailed, or notified of online posting to all competitors within fifteen (15) days of the event and contain the following information:

| Per Event         | Per Competitor                                |
|-------------------|---|
| Name of Rally     | Driver Name                                   |
| Date of Rally     | Navigator Name                                |
| Organizing Club   | Finishing Position                            |
| Event Sponsors    | Vehicle #                                     |
| Steward           | Competitor Sponsors                           |
| Organizers        | Official mileage and elapsed time at controls |
| Volunteer Workers | Points/seconds lost at each control           |
| Next Event Info   | Total points/seconds lost                     |

## Classes

### Novice

- No resettable odometer other than factory installed
- Either crew member has not placed in top three in any three rallies in one competition year.
- Neither crew member has placed in the upper 1/3 of finishers in experienced club, regional or national rallies
- A novice may enter the experienced class any time after finishing one Novice Rally.
- A non-club Novice may count their last finished rally before joining BAC for the purpose of competing in the Novice Championship

### Experienced

- All other rallyists.

## Controls

As per [ARMS Inc. Rally Regulations](#)

For the purposes of non-regional BAC rallies – improper checkpoint procedures will be explained at the drivers meeting.

Route controls in the form of a question with a mileage are to be used where it is not feasible to place a checkpoint.

## Electronic Controls Option

The Richta Rally system may be used in place of manual checkpoints. This system does not require competitors to stop, but rather it automatically tracks the passing of checkpoint to within the nearest second via the mobile application.

## Timing and Penalties

As per [ARMS Inc. Rally Regulations](#)

Time is taken when the competitors vehicle passes the checkpoint board.

### Penalties

- 1 point per minute early or late to a maximum of 30 points per checkpoints.
- 30 points per missed checkpoint.
- 5 points per improper checkpoint procedure.

## Electronic Controls Option

When the Richta Rally system is used in place of manual checkpoints, penalties are accrued as follows:

- Number of seconds early or late to a maximum which will be preset by the organizer for each stage.
- A preset penalty will be set by the organizer for missed checkpoints.
- There are no improper checkpoint procedures when using the electronic system.

## Contents of the Supplementary Regulations

- Name of organizing club
- Name and date of rally
- Organizers and their contact information
- Location of the start and finish
- Schedule of times (registration, scrutineering, drivers meeting, start, etc.)
- Length of rally
- Type of roads to be encountered
- Entry fee
- Classification of entries
- Conditions of entry
- Mandatory equipment
- Timing and penalties
- Awards

## Vehicle and Crew Equipment

As per [ARMS Inc. Rally Regulations](#)

## Grievances

Inquiries concerning route errors or scoring errors shall be hand written and passed to the organizer for consideration within 30 minutes of the posting of unofficial results.

## Ties

Ties will be broken for awards only by the first point lost method. Subsequent positions will be awarded based on the number of competitors ahead.

## Driver's Briefing

The following are to be included in the briefing:

1. Introduction of rally officials
2. Explanation of irregularities on the route
3. Explanation of timing procedure
4. Starting order
5. Checkpoint procedure and demonstration
6. Answer any questions

## Championship Scoring

Per event:

- 1<sup>st</sup> – 10 points
- 2<sup>nd</sup> – 6 points
- 3<sup>rd</sup> – 4 points
- 4<sup>th</sup> – 3 points
- 5<sup>th</sup> – 2 points
- 6<sup>th</sup> and down – 1 point