

# THE CARAVAN CLUB NATIONAL RALLY

## PARTICIPANT REGULATIONS

### INTRODUCTION

1. These Regulations are approved by The Caravan Club Events sub-Committee. At their request a full copy is published and issued with the Rally Booking confirmation. The Regulations are made for the benefit and safety of all participants and to enhance their enjoyment of the Rally. The Events sub-Committee reserves the right to abandon the Rally or vary the programme if circumstances, in their opinion, make it necessary. The Organizers of the event are all duly appointed officials of The Caravan Club Ltd.
2. **When the booking is made participants agree that they and those accompanying them in their outfit will also observe these Regulations.**
3. The National Rally, the Club's premier caravanning event of the year, has an excellent reputation both within and outside The Caravan Club: the Organizers' aim is to preserve and enhance that reputation. The Rally is open to Members and non-members alike, subject to booking procedures and site capacity as described annually.

### OUT OF BOUNDS

4. The following areas are out of bounds, **except to authorised persons**;
  - a. All marquees and structures when NOT in use.
  - b. The Community Centre to **all** vehicles, **including bicycles, at all times.**
  - c. Any area specifically marked 'out of bounds'.

### CATERING

5. Licensed bars and consumption areas will operate according to licensed hours in The Sports Bar and Lounge Bar within the Swift Marquee complex and the Kia Marquee.  
**NO POURED DRINKS MAY BE CONSUMED OUTSIDE THE SEATING AREAS PROVIDED IN THESE COMPLEXES, NOR MAY DRINKS OR FOODSTUFFS BE BROUGHT IN FOR CONSUMPTION AT ANY BAR. OFF-SALES OF ALCOHOL WILL BE PERMITTED AND WILL ONLY BE AVAILABLE ON THE RALLY SITE FROM OUTLETS AUTHORISED BY THE ORGANIZERS.**

6. Bars close daily as shown:

Day	Time and Sales Cease	Bar Rooms/Areas Closed
Friday to Monday	10.45 p.m.	11.00 p.m.

7.
  - a. Only approved contractors may sell food and drink on the site and then only as specified.
  - b.
    - i) Beverages containing alcohol may only be purchased by participants aged 18 years or over in the Sports Bar, the Lounge Bar and the Swift and Kia Marquees during licensed hours and from authorised on-site outlets during specified trading hours.
    - ii) The consumption of alcohol is prohibited in all other areas of the Rally Site except within the curtilage of participants' caravan lines.
    - iii) Security patrols are employed by the Organizers to ensure compliance with the above and are empowered by the Organisers to check the validity of participant's badges at all times on the Site, including entrances to licensed areas.
    - iv) The licensee and staff are required by law to refuse the sales of alcohol to or for persons aged below 18 years and have been tasked to take positive steps in licensed areas to ensure this duty is effectively maintained.

### CHAIRS

8. All wheelchairs, prams and pushchairs will be assigned to designated areas within the marquees, as directed by the Marshals.

## CHILDREN'S ACTIVITIES AT CARAVAN CLUB NATIONAL RALLIES

9. See item 16.

## CUSTOMER SERVICE

10. The Organizers reserve the right to correct and, if necessary, expel any participant against whose behaviour a complaint is lodged and found justified.

## DOGS

11. Please be a responsible dog owner and avoid spoiling the enjoyment of other ralliers by following these simple rules:
  - a) ensure your dogs are kept on **SHORT** leads at all times within the Community Centre, on access roads and in Caravan Lines
  - b) lead or carry your dog(s) to designated perimeter areas, clear of outfits and walkways, to be exercised
  - c) **in the event of fouling within the Site ensure the handler immediately recovers the fouling for safe disposal in waste bins provided for this purpose.**

## ELECTRICITY

12. For those booked on to Electric Hook-up pitches a separate advisory notice will be sent with your Rally documents in April.

## EMERGENCY PLANNING

13. Participants are to identify the location of the nearest fire fighting equipment at Service Points and the First Aid Marquee in the Community Centre, as shown on the Participant Plan. It is recommended to carry your own accessible and serviceable fire extinguisher, fire blanket, suitable water bucket and first aid kit with their outfits. Alert procedures in the event of a fire are contained in the Rally Souvenir Programme. Open fires, other than purpose-made barbecue grills, are not permitted. Please note that in severe conditions, barbecue use may be restricted.

## GROUND

14. Rally Sites are usually agricultural land - grazed or cropped - and are only for temporary caravan use, hence pitches may vary physically within any one Site. Ralliers must be prepared to level their outfits using their own levelling equipment. Where there are slopes, outfits will usually be pitched facing down hill.

## IDENTIFICATION BADGES

15. Identification Badges will be provided and are to be shown or obtained from the moment you arrive on the Rally Site. They are to be worn visibly at all times on the Rally Site, except when participating in the official sports programme, when they should be carried conveniently. For very young children, parents may affix identification wristbands to their charges in any visible way felt appropriate if the standard method is considered unsuitable. Marshals, Stewards, Sports and Competition Organizers, Caterers and Security Staff are empowered to demand sight of and request the visible wearing of Identification Badges at any time on the Rally Site.

## MAYDAY CLUB

16. The Mayday Club is reserved for the use of young members on site and membership is free, subject to age limitations. Parental membership of The Caravan Club's Mayday Scheme is not a pre-requisite of the Mayday Club membership.

A range of activities are organized by a professional company, Nipperbout, in the Mayday Club throughout the weekend. The daytime activities are for children up to 17 years old, with sub-divisions by ages. However, please be aware neither crèche nor childminding facilities are provided. Parents or guardians of children aged 7 years and below are encouraged to remain with their children whilst an activity is in progress. The Mayday Club will be open in the evenings too, with entertainment for 11-17 year olds. Tickets can be purchased from the on-site Box Office.

## NOISE

17. Participants should ensure any noise produced at any time is neither irritating nor offensive to the ralliers within hearing distance. Particular features are:

- a. Portable generators should not be run between the hours of 6.00 p.m. and 9 a.m. They should not be run at any time for more than 2-hour periods or left unattended.
- b. The hours of 11 p.m. to 6 a.m. are designated the 'Silent Hours'. Between these times rallies are requested to respect other participants, particularly when returning to their outfits after 11 p.m.

## NUISANCE

18. Please respect the privacy and peace of others at all times by keeping to a minimum mechanical, instrumental and vocal noise.  
The playing of any games involving balls or missiles in Blocks and Caravan Lines is expressly prohibited to avoid injury to individuals or damage outfits. Persons moving through the Lines to participate in sports should keep their sports equipment in a carrying bag or hand held to avoid this problem.  
Equally, persons riding cycles in Caravan Lines and on the access routes to them should note that, like all vehicles, they are restricted to walking pace. Caravan Lines include all access routes/tracks in and between designated Blocks of outfits.

## PITCHES

19. Pitches are to be arranged in straight lines, where each alternate line of caravans is offset by half a pitch from the lines adjacent to avoid looking directly at the back of an outfit in front. A sketch plan illustrating the approach angle and position is to be found in the Instruction Booklet to be issued with the Rally documentation. **The only exception to this pitching arrangement will be the layout of outfits in Electric Hook-up (EHU) Blocks.**
20. Outfits are not to be moved from their allocated pitches without the prior permission of the Site Marshal.

## SANITATION

21. **Every caravan must have its own toilet.** Where there is no toilet room, a toilet tent must be erected.
22. Temporary Service Points with separate drinking and toilet rinsing water taps are established for the disposal of:
  - i) waste water and effluent container contents into tanks
  - ii) solid kitchen waste only in **tied plastic bags** (as provided) into compound/skips**Children must not be allowed to play within 10 metres of any Service Point. TINS, PAPER AND ANY OTHER SOLID RUBBISH SHOULD NOT BE THROWN INTO EFFLUENT TANKS.**
23. **Hazardous items** (eg: broken glass, medical sharps etc) should be taken away with you and disposed of safely. Items that fall within the classification Hazardous Waste cannot be discarded on site.
24. Participants can help by using the waste bins provided and by being observant and active in putting all litter in a bin.

## TENTS FOR ACCOMMODATION PURPOSES

25. Where an awning is not erected, a free-standing tent may be erected in the space on the nearside of the caravan, motor caravan or trailer tent. The tent, including guy ropes, may not exceed the overall dimension of the vehicle alongside which it is erected. In the case of any tent of less than 1 metre high at its walls the participant must erect a marker fence around the tent on poles of 1 metre high and connect the same neatly with reflective tape to delineate the extent of the structure ( i.e. on its outer peg lines). Tents may not be pitched other than as described in this Regulation.

## TRADE

26. Only authorised Exhibitors, licensed by the Organizers, are permitted to trade and advertise at the Rally. Participants are not permitted to trade on or near the Site nor may any advertising be conducted beyond Centre or other Group information at the appropriate Centre or Group Notice Board in their own Lines.

Advertisements may be placed in the Rally Souvenir Programme, subject to editorial and artwork presentation by the due dates; payment of the appropriate fee; and that the advertisements conform to The Club's advertising policy. Authorised advertisements may also be broadcast via National Rally Radio FM.

## VEHICLES

27. Unless stated otherwise, vehicles include pedal-cycles, but exclude self-propelled wheeled chairs for invalids.

## 28. SPEED LIMITS ON SITE

- a. In Caravan Lines - walking pace only
- b. Roads and Tracks – 5mph

Only drivers with appropriate licences and insurance may drive on the Rally Site. Learner drivers must be accompanied by a qualified person.

29. All vehicles are to conform to any signs and one-way direction systems imposed to regulate the traffic. **The Community Centre is out of bounds to all vehicles at all times. Car Parking areas adjacent are shown on the Site Plan.**
30. In the interests of safety cycling is banned on the Rally Site on the Friday and Tuesday, due to heavy traffic movement as outfits arrive and depart.  
Bicycles can be used on the Rally Site from Saturday to Monday, except in the Community Centre area, where you are requested to use the cycle racks provided.

## EMERGENCY, ESSENTIAL SERVICE VEHICLES AND MOPED MARSHALS

31. All participants, whether on foot or in vehicles, must give priority to and make way for designated vehicles that may not necessarily conform to route or speed restrictions, particularly in an emergency.

## RESTRICTIONS ON VEHICLE MOVEMENT - YELLOW FLAG

32. The purpose of any such restrictions is to minimise potential major damage to the ground and enable participants to leave at their planned times. In the event of very wet weather, a ban may be placed on vehicle movements, either totally or in key areas. When such a ban is to be enforced Yellow Flags will be flown at Centre Liaison Officer/Block Marshals pitches in those areas affected.  
Vehicles that are off Site when a ban is imposed will be required to park in the nearest car park until the restriction is lifted.  
Each Centre Liaison Officer/Block Marshal will be issued with an emergency windscreen sticker to enable the movement of emergency vehicles from their Lines (i.e. to visit Doctors/Hospital/First Aid) in accordance with their instructions. In such circumstances Gas supplies will be delivered under the Organizers arrangements.

## VISITORS

33. The National Rally is a private event and the general public is not admitted except to use designated routes within the Park.  
Club members and their families who wish to visit the National Rally are required to pay daily admission fees, valid for one day only, covering adults and youths (8-17 years) - children (0-7 years) are admitted free.  
The entrance fee includes car parking in designated areas and attendance at all features of the Rally on the day concerned, except sports and other competitions. If you wish to attend evening entertainment in the marquees entry tickets must be purchased separately either in advance or from the on-site Box Office.  
Day Visitor passes can be purchased in advance from Club Offices or alternatively from the marshals at the entrance gates on the day.  
There will be a separate admission charge to visit any visitor attractions on site and special prices for Rally participants will be listed in all National Rally entry documentation and publicity features.

## WATER

34. Supplies are available at each Service Point and are clearly labelled with symbols indicating their use. The symbols and colours conform to the Health & Safety (Safety Signs and Signals) Regulations 1996 and are being used uniformly throughout The Club where appropriate.  
Toilet tanks are to be rinsed only at the marked tap for obvious reasons.  
The washing or rinsing of pans, crockery, clothing or any other articles under any tap is forbidden, as well as drinking directly from the tap and spray playing within the area of any Service Point.
35. The washing of outfits on the National Rally site or in the immediate area around it, except at a properly constructed and operated wash-down place, is expressly forbidden. Mud removal by scraping should not take place on any major access-way nor in the area of the Rally Gates.