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WRC FORUM8 RALLY JAPAN 2026





RALLY JAPAN AIMS TO OPERATE THE EVENT IN AN ENVIRONMENTALLY SUSTAINABLE MANNER.



Rally Japan 2026 Environmental Policy

Rally Japan 2026 Executive Committee recognizes the need to protect the environment in organizing FIA World Rally Championship Forum8 Rally Japan 2026, and will work to understand and minimize the environmental impact in order to fulfill its responsibilities. We will also share our values of environmental consideration with stakeholders and strive to raise their awareness. We will strictly adhere to the following manifesto and aim to operate the event in an environmentally sustainable manner.

1. Strive to comply with environmental requirements in accordance with international and national legal frameworks.

2. Commit to environmentally friendly initiatives with our stakeholders.

(1) Creating an environmentally friendly event

- Actively utilizing clean energy at the event.
- Reduce the amount of waste generated at the event as much as possible, implement effective sorting and treatment, and promote recycling and reuse.
- Encourage spectators and others to cooperate in separating trash and taking it home.
- Properly collect and dispose of wastewater that affects the environment. Minimize the use of water.
- Aim for environmentally sustainable procurement in cooperation with suppliers.
- Actively utilizing environmentally friendly materials at the event.
- Encourage the use of public transportation and shared rides for the Executive Committee members and stakeholders (suppliers, media, spectators, etc.).
- Aim for carbon neutrality by 2030, through measuring the carbon emissions of the entire event and analyzing the factors.

(2) Forest Conservation

- Since the event area has been striving to preserve forests through human activities for many years, it is possible to hold rally competitions using forest roads. Through this event, we will share the charm of mountain villages both domestically and internationally and convey the role played by forests.
- Conduct regular environmental surveys to ensure Rally Japan does not negatively impact the forest environment.

(3) Education for children

- Create opportunities for elementary and junior high school students and others to think about a sustainable society through the FIA World Rally Championship.
- Evaluate and manage the environmental targets (established in accordance with the FIA Environmental Certification Program) and Environmental Policy properly once a year, take necessary measures for continuous improvement.

Toshihiko Ota
Chairman of Rally Japan 2026 Executive Committee
January 2026



ENTRANTS - PLEASE BE CONSIDERATE OF THE ENVIRONMENT



To avoid soil contamination, the following measures should be taken.

- Always place mats under the vehicle and generator.
- Clean parts in accordance with the organiser's regulation.
- Place spill-proof trays under hazardous liquid containers (fuel drums, canisters, etc.).



Avoid wasting water.



Waste should be properly separated in accordance with the rules, and placed in transparent garbage bags.

PREVIOUS WINNERS Rally Japan 2004 to 2025

Year	Host City	Winner	Car
2004	Obihiro/Hokkaido	P.Solberg/P.Mills	Subaru Impreza WRC 2004
2005	Obihiro/Hokkaido	M.Grönholm/T.Rautiainen	Peugeot 307 WRC
2006	Obihiro/Hokkaido	S.Loeb/D.Elena	Citroën Xsala WRC
2007	Obihiro/Hokkaido	M.Hirvonen/J.Lehtinen	Ford Focus WRC
2008	Sapporo/Hokkaido	M.Hirvonen/J.Lehtinen	Ford Focus WRC
2010	Sapporo/Hokkaido	S.Ogier/J.Ingrassia	Citroën C4 WRC

2022 Aichi/Gifu



T.Neuville/M.Wydaeghe



Hyundai i20N Rally1



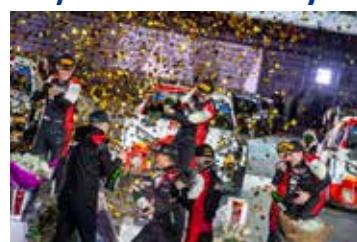
2023 Aichi/Gifu



E.Evans/S.Martin



Toyota GR Yaris Rally1



2024 Aichi/Gifu



E.Evans/S.Martin



Toyota GR Yaris Rally1



2025 Aichi/Gifu



S.Ogier/V.Landais



Toyota GR Yaris Rally1



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1. WELCOME

On the occasion of the FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026, we would like to express our sincere gratitude to all stakeholders for their understanding and cooperation.

This year marks the fifth consecutive year of hosting the event in Aichi and Gifu Prefectures, and all those involved in the organisation are deeply proud to once again welcome the world's highest level of competition to this region.

For this edition, a Super Special Stage will be set in the Fujioka area of Toyota City, renowned for its beautiful wisteria blossoms in spring, while a new stage has been introduced in the Asuke area of Toyota City, home to the famous Korankei Gorge, celebrated for its vibrant autumn foliage. We are truly delighted that thrilling battles by the world's top drivers and teams will unfold amid these beautiful satoyama landscapes, which have been carefully preserved by the local communities.

Continuing from last year, the event concept for this rally is "Experience Rally Firsthand." With this in mind, we aim to further enhance the content at the Service Park and strengthen spectator support along the liaison sections, providing numerous opportunities for fans to fully experience the appeal of rallying.

Furthermore, we will strive to ensure smooth event operations under comprehensive safety measures, so that all drivers and teams can compete with peace of mind. We sincerely look forward to welcoming many participants and visitors to the event.



Toshihiko OHTA

Chairman - Rally Japan 2026
Executive Committee
Mayor of Toyota City



Akira SUZUKI

Chairman - Rally Japan 2026
Organisation Committee
Chairman of TMSC

We are delighted to announce the return of the FIA World Rally Championship FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026.

On behalf of the organisers, I would like to extend our sincere gratitude to the local communities—particularly the municipalities of five cities and one town across Aichi and Gifu Prefectures—for their continued understanding and invaluable cooperation in making this event possible.

Rallying is a truly spectacular motorsport, in which drivers and cars are pushed to their absolute limits on public roads. While anyone with a driving licence can drive a car, rally driving exists on an entirely different level. It demands the maximum performance from production-based vehicles, with driver and machine working as one in a pursuit of speed, precision, and endurance. The intensity and dynamism of rallying offer a unique appeal unmatched by other forms of motorsport, and it is precisely these demanding "roads" that contribute to the development of better, safer cars for the future.

Special Stages were held at Toyota Stadium from 2023 to 2024, followed by stages in the downtown area of Toyota City in 2025. This year, Nagoya City joins the event as a host city, creating an even more spectacular and diverse programme. In addition, the event has moved to late May, offering early-summer conditions that promise a more comfortable and enjoyable experience for spectators.

In organising this event, we have received tremendous support from numerous officials, competing teams, staff members, and dedicated volunteers from across Japan. I would like to take this opportunity to express my heartfelt appreciation to everyone involved.

We sincerely hope that the FIA World Rally Championship FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026 will inspire even more people to experience the excitement and passion of motorsport. We kindly ask for your warm and enthusiastic support throughout the event.

2. CONTACT DETAILS

2.1 Permanent contact details

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*From Saturday 23 May, the office functions will move to the HQ and the office will become the welcome centre.

E-mail: info2026@rally-japan.jp

*For assistance with hospitality and accommodation

entry@rally-japan.jp

*For competitors enquires

<https://rally-japan.jp/en>

Website: <https://rally-japan.jp/en>

X: [@WRC_RallyJapan](https://www.x.com/WRC_RallyJapan)

Facebook: [@2020rallyjapan](https://www.facebook.com/2020rallyjapan)

Instagram: [rally_japan](https://www.instagram.com/rally_japan)

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Service Park Manager: Akira KAWADA a-kawada@rally-japan.jp

2.3 Rally Headquarters

Sky Hall Toyota

1-20 Hachimancho, Toyota-city, Aichi 471-0861 Japan

Website: <https://www.toyota-taikyo.or.jp>

Rally Headquarters will be open from Saturday 23 May to Monday 1 June

Please check 3.3 for opening hours.

2.4 Rally Sporting Office / Welcome Centre

MOSCO Office at Toyota Sangokan 2F

1-200 Nishimachi, Toyota-city, Aichi 471-0025 Japan

*The Welcome Centre will provide required parking permits and credentials in advance to teams and suppliers prior to Admin Checks, as well as credentials and parking permits for guests and marshals throughout the event.

2.5 Media contact details

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3. PROGRAMME AND CRITICAL DEADLINES

3.1 Schedule before the rally week

Wednesday 28 January
Publication of Rally Guide 1 - website
Tuesday 10 March
Closing date for radio license application and helicopter registrations
Thursday 12 March
Publication of Supplementary Regulations - Digital Notice Board
Thursday 19 March
Closing date for ordering Hankook tyres
Closing date for ordering FIA fuel
Saturday 28 March
Entries open
Monday 30 March
Opening date for Media accreditation
Saturday 18 April
Closing date for temporary operating permits application form
Tuesday 28 April
Closing date for entries (23:59 CET)
Closing date for reconnaissance only applications
Closing date for Service Park order and area requests / Insurance application by organiser
Thursday 30 April
Publication of Rally Guide 2 - website
Tuesday 5 May
Publication of Entry List - Digital Notice Board
Monday 11 May
Closing date for application requests to Rally Japan National Press Officer
Thursday 14 May
Closing date for Competitor representative nomination
Closing date for Shakedown registration for Non-priority crew
Closing date for On-board camera application
Monday 18 May
Closing date for accreditation requests to FIA Media Delegate

3.2 Schedule during the rally week (JST = +7h for CEST)

Saturday 23 May		
12:00 - 20:00	Service Park East open for P1	Toyota Stadium
15:00 - 20:00	Service Park South open for all Priority competitors	Toyota Stadium
Sunday 24 May		
7:00 -	Service Park open for all competitors	Toyota Stadium
15:00 - 19:00	Collection of temporary operating permits for Private Test participants	Rally HQ

Monday 25 May		
9:00 - 15:00	Private Test	Ikeda - Kuragaike
9:00 - 19:00	Administrative Checks upon individual invitations	Rally HQ
Tuesday 26 May		
6:00 - 17:30	Reconnaissance Day 1	
Wednesday 27 May		
7:30 - 18:30	Reconnaissance Day 2	
12:00	Registration deadline for Route Note Car (Rally1 and Rally2 crews only)	Rally HQ
13:00 - 16:00	Extrication Training	Skyhall Toyota
14:00 -	Scrutineering & component sealing for all cars except P1	Toyota Stadium B2 Parking Scrutineering area
15:00 - 18:30	Collection of FIA Safety Tracking Devices for Rally cars	SAS Office - Service Park
16:00 -	Scrutineering & Sealing for Rally1 cars	Team's own service bay
14:30 - 15:00	Tabard Media safety briefing	Meeting Room - Toyota Stadium B2
16:00	WRC Team Managers meeting (by invitation only)	Rally HQ - Skyhall Toyota
17:00	WRC Promoter Driver and Co-Driver photoshoot (mandatory for all Priority Drivers in their first WRC event in 2026; helmets and overalls required)	Toyota Stadium B1 Lounge
18:30	Drivers' safety briefing - Only crews participating in the WRC for the first time this year	Meeting Room - Toyota Stadium B2
20:00	Publication of Shakedown start list Publication of Ceremonial Start	Digital Notice Board
Thursday 28 May		
8:01 - 9:45	Shakedown - P1 and nominated driver	Kuragaike
10:01 - 11:00	Shakedown - P2 and P3 driver	Kuragaike
11:01 - 12:30	Shakedown - All driver except P1	Kuragaike
TBA	FIA WRC Media Pen	TBA
TBA	Autograph Session	TBA
17:00	Helicopter pilot briefing	Rally HQ
17:00 - 17:45	FIA Meet the Crews - Nominated drivers, co-drivers and team representatives	Nagoya City
17:30	Ceremonial Start	Nagoya City
18:00	Publication of Start List for Section 1	Digital Notice Board
Friday 29 May		
6:38	Start of Section 1	Toyota Stadium
19:00 - 19:30	FIA Meet the Crews	Toyota Stadium Fan Zone
20:00	Publication of Start List for Section 3	Digital Notice Board
Saturday 30 May		
6:15	Start of Section 3	Toyota Stadium
18:30 - 19:00	FIA Meet the Crews - Manufacturer team representatives and Top 3 drivers	Toyota Stadium Fan Zone
21:00	Publication of Start List for Section 6	Digital Notice Board

Sunday 31 May		
6:51	Start of Section 6	Toyota Stadium
14:15	Wolf Power Stage	Lake Mikawako
15:15	Power Stage Podium Ceremony	Shimoyama Health Center
16:30	Podium Ceremony and Prize Giving	Toyota Stadium
17:00	Final Scrutineering	Toyota Stadium B2 Parking Scrutineering area
15:00 - 20:00	Return of temporary operating permits and plates	Competitor reception - Service Park
17:30 - 19:00	Return of FIA Safety Tracking devices	SAS Office - Service Park
19:00	Publication of provisional classification	Digital Notice Board

3.3 Opening Hours of the Rally HQ, Media Facilities and Welcome Centre

Date	Day	Welcome Centre	Rally HQ	Media Accreditation	Media Centre
23-May	Sat	09:00-17:00	09:00-18:00		
24-May	Sun	09:00-17:00	09:00-19:00		
25-May	Mon	09:00-17:00	09:00-19:00		
26-May	Tue	09:00-17:00	08:00-19:00	14:00-18:00	14:00-18:00
27-May	Wed	08:30-17:00	08:00-19:00	08:00-18:00	08:00-20:00
28-May	Thu	09:00-17:00	08:00-19:00	08:00-18:00	07:00-*
29-May	Fri	09:00-17:00	07:00-19:00	-	07:00-*
30 May	Sat	09:00-17:00	07:00-19:00	-	07:00-*
31-May	Sun	09:00-12:00	07:00-18:00	-	07:00-*
1-Jun	Mon	-	09:00-12:00	-	-

*Until the last media room user leaves

4. ENTRY DETAILS

4.1 FIA Titles for which the rally counts - WRC

FIA World Rally Championship for Drivers and Co-drivers
 FIA World Rally Championship for Manufacturers
 FIA World Rally Championship for Teams
 FIA WRC2 Championship for Drivers and Co-drivers
 FIA WRC2 Challenger Championship for Drivers and Co-drivers
 FIA WRC2 Championship for Teams
 FIA WRC Masters Cup for Drivers and Co-drivers
 FIA WRC3 Championship for Drivers and Co-driver

4.2 Criteria for acceptance of entries and closing date

Those wishing to take part in FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026 must submit an official digital entry form available on the FIA website <https://registration.fia.com/wrcjpn> which must be duly completed before the closing date for entries. By sending the digital form, the competitor undertakes to abide by the rules and regulations of the competition. Competitors will sign the entry form during Administrative Checks.

<https://rally-japan.jp/rj/competitors/document/>

Competitors entering to the national classes should use a separate entry form available on the rally website once entries open.

All entry forms must be received by the close of entries on Tuesday 28 April at 23:59 CET (JST -7 hours).

4.3 Number of competitors accepted

The maximum number of entries is 45. If more than 45 entries are received, the organisers reserve the right to extend this number or decide which entries among the non-priority drivers will be accepted.

Cars will be divided into classes (and groups) as indicated in the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, Art. 12.4. For the classification of National Class, refer to Art. 4.6.

4.4 Classes - FIA WRC Categories

2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, Article 12.4 Classes of cars

CLASSES	GROUPS	
RC1	World Rally Cars: 1.6 T engine	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Rally1 Cars complying with the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 262 – World Rally Cars, complying with the 2021 Appendix J, Art. 255A, when the driver has not scored points for a WRC Manufacturer Team in the previous five (5) seasons (not a WRC Team as defined in Art. 5.3) and when fitted with a restrictor complying with Art. 255A-334 except for the following points: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> a) The maximum internal diameter of the restrictor is 33.7mm, b) The maximum external diameter of the restrictor at its narrowest point must be less than 39.7mm, and must be maintained over a distance of 5mm to each side.
RC2	Group Rally2 Group Rally2Kit	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group Rally2 cars conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 261. – Car fitted with Rally2 Kit cars confirming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260E
RGT	RGT Cars	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group RGT cars conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 256. – Group RGT cars conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 256
RC3	Rally3 (atmo over 1390cc and up to 2000 cc and turbo over 927cc and 1620cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group Rally3 cars homologated from 01/01/2021 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art.260
RC4	Rally4 (atmo over 1390cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 927cc and up to 1333cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group Rally4 cars homologated from 01/01/2019 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260 – Group R2 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260
	R3 (atmo / over 1600cc and up to 2000cc and turbo over 1067cc and up to 1333cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260
	R3 (turbo / up to 1620cc / nominal)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group R cars homologated before 31/12/2019 and conforming to the 2019 Appendix J, Art. 260D
RC5	Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1333cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group Rally5 cars homologated from 01/01/19 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260
	Rally5-Kit (atmo or turbo up to 1600cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group Rally5-Kit cars homologated from 01/01/2024 and conforming to the 2026 Appendix J, Art. 260B
	Rally5 (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 1067cc)	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> – Group R1 cars homologated before 31/12/2018 and conforming to the 2018 Appendix J, Art. 260

4.5 National/Regional Cars

Cars approved by JAF and proposed to the FIA can be entered under the provisions of the FIA WRC Sporting Regulations, Art.12.3. These cars must, however, fully comply with the safety requirements as stipulated in the 2026 FIA International Sporting Code, Appendix J, Art. 253, and with all other applicable provisions and procedures stipulated in the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations (tyres, restart regulations etc.).

CLASSES	ENG. CAPACITY	GROUPS
JR1	Over 2500cc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - Group NR4 over 2000cc - AP4/JP4 over 2500cc - JAF regulations RJ and APRC vehicles approved in Japan
JR2	Over 1600cc and up to 2500cc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JAF regulations RJ and JP4 2WD cars (atmo over 1600cc and up to 2500cc and turbo over 941cc* and up to 1600cc*/ *nominal) - APRC vehicles approved in Japan
JR3	Up to 1600cc	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> - JAF regulations RJ and APRC vehicles approved in Japan (atmo up to 1600cc and turbo up to 941cc*/ *nominal)

4.6 Entry fees / Entry packages

4.6.1 Manufacturers, other WRC cars and competitor in the Support Championships

Entry fees for Manufacturers, WRC Teams and competitors in all WRC Support Championships (WRC2, WRC3) are as stipulated in Appendix VI of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations. However, the organiser of Rally Japan, by contract with WRC Promoter, shall waive the entry fee for all priority drivers registered in the FIA WRC Championship.

4.6.2 Non-priority competitors

A - Non-championship class (RGT, RC4, RC5 and National/regional)	990,000JPY
B - Non-championship class (RGT, RC4, RC5 and National/regional) (VAT included)	770,000JPY

For the difference between A and B refer **Art. 4.6.3**

4.6.3 Entry Packages for non-priority competitors

		Non-Priority A	Non-Priority B
Vehicle Plates	Service	1	1
	Auxiliary	1	1
Passes	Driver	2	2
	Team	6	5
	Team Guest	2	2
Printed Materials	Road Book set	3	2
	Route Map	3	2
	Official Programme	5	3
Services space (Widths and depth)	Area In the Service Park	7.5m x 10m	6m x 6m

Due to the limited space available in the Service Park, requests for additional service areas will not be accepted in principle. Sponsors and corporate partners may discuss this on a separate basis after the entry deadline.

4.6.4 Additional fees for all competitors (VAT included)

Additional Team Pass	22,000JPY (Max 2 per an entered car)
Additional Team Guest Pass	22,000JPY
Additional Auxiliary plate	55,000JPY (Max 2 per an entered car)
Reconnaissance only	220,000JPY – for further details, see Supplementary Regulations
Route Note Crews (P1/2 only)	110,000JPY

4.6.5 Competitors' Lounge in the South Service Park

Due to the inability to accommodate requests for additional space at Toyota Stadium's South Car Park (Service Park South), a shared Competitors' Lounge will be available for team and guests to use for meals, rest, and sponsor hospitality.

Entry tag will be issued upon prior application. Please complete the entry order form to apply.

Opening hours *subject to change

Thursday 28 May	10:00 to 16:00 (Lunch)
Friday 29 May	10:00 to 21:00 (Lunch and Dinner)
Saturday 30 May	10:00 to 21:00 (Lunch and Dinner)
Sunday 31 May	10:00 to 15:00 (Lunch)

Four day Entry tag : 44,000JPY – Max 5 per an entered car

Single day ticket: 22,000JPY

4.7 Private Test

Private Testing will be conducted as outlined below.

Date: Monday 25 May 2026

Hours: 9:30 to 11:30 / 13:00 to 15:00

Location: Ikeda - Kuragaike, Toyota-city

Eligibility: All competitors except those entered in class RC1

Fee: 990,000 JPY (tax included) per vehicle

*The stage shall have the following time dedicated to reconnaissance:

8:30 to 9:30 / 12:30 to 13:00 (Reconnaissance in rally cars allowed)

For more information and to register, please see Rally Guide 2.

5. SERVICE PARK

5.1 Service Park Information

The service park will be located at Toyota Stadium parking lot with the following GPS coordinates:

N35 05 04.4 E137 10 15.4

Address: 7-2 Sengoku-cho, Toyota-city, Aichi 471-0016 JAPAN

Final layout and details of Service Park will be available on the website in due time.

Manufacturer teams can access the Service Park from 12:00 on Saturday 23 May.

FIA Priority teams except the manufacturer teams can access the Service Park from 15:00 on Saturday 23 May.

Non-priority competitors can access the Service Park from 7:00 on Sunday 24 May.

Manufacturers and other championship competitors will be allocated a designated space in accordance with 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations.

From 12:00 on Saturday 23 May until 12:00 on Monday 1 June, Service Park will be open 24 hours and night security will be provided by the organiser. However, the pedestrian gate will be closed after 20:00 from Saturday 23 to Wednesday 27 May. If you need to enter or exit after 20:00, please use the vehicle gate.

Flexi Service, in accordance with the 2026 FIA Sporting Regulations Art. 59, will apply for the last service of each day.

Any dismantling of service area facilities before 6:00 on Sunday 31 May, must be made at times when there is no rally traffic inside the Service Park, unless any such dismantling is exclusively carried out within the periphery of the corresponding team area itself (without using any kind of traffic lanes or team external areas).

5.2 Facilities at the Service Park

The following service will be provided at the Service Park (without charge):

- Public Toilets
- Waste collection
- Permanent Lightings (limited areas)

The following paid service may be ordered by using the order form available on [website](#):

- Private toilets (Please apply if you need additional toilets other than those listed in the 2026 FIA WRC SR, Appendix VI)
- Hazardous waste collection
- Additional security service
- Power supply (Electricity; 100V at 60Hz)
- Private water supply (depends on the service bay location)
- Tents and any necessary office supplies

To order these paid services, please use the "Service Park Facilities Order Form" on website. For items not listed on the 'Service Park Facilities Order Form', please contact us. The closing date for Service Park facilities orders is Tuesday 28 April.

Requests or applications received after the deadline will be subject to a surcharge.

Note: Generators

-To bring a generator to the Service Park, you must apply in advance to the fire department through the organizer. Please make sure to send a generator notification form to the Rally Secretariat. Deadline: Tuesday 28 April

- One Japanese-made fire extinguisher must be located next to each generator in accordance with the instructions of the fire department. Fire extinguishers must be 'ABC powder extinguishers' for electrical fires, oil fires and ordinary fires according to Japanese standards and prepare Japanese-made products. Fire departments will not approve any fire extinguishers other than those manufactured in Japan.

- Provide an open space of at least 1 m around the generator.
- It is prohibited to cover up the generator.
- A sheet must be placed under the generator to prevent fuel or oil from spilling onto the ground for FIA Environmental Accreditation. If a sheet is not in place at the time of the inspection by the fire department and the organizer is required to take action, the cost will be borne by the participant.
- For the storage of gasoline, it may be necessary to submit a temporary storage and handling permit application form for hazardous materials, which will incur additional costs. Please contact the organiser. <entry@rally-japan.jp>
- Please apply to the organiser for diesel fuel for generators. We will refuel directly as needed, so please note that you do not store diesel fuel.

During the rally, the Toyota City Fire Department will conduct on-site inspections.

5.3 Request for service space and location

Competitors due to logistics, wishing to use a joint service area with another competitor, teams requiring are requested to complete the Service Park Facilities Order Form and submit to organiser. The Organiser will make all reasonable efforts to satisfy the needs of all the teams.

Once the layout of the Service Park has been decided, no further changes will be accepted.

The organiser cannot generally be accommodated for the additional service space request beyond what is stipulated in the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations and Supplementary Regulations due to space constraints. (Partner companies, etc., require individual consultation.)

5.4 Environment, recycling and waste collection

All competitors are responsible to protect the environment.

- Waste must be sorted according to the organiser's instructions, placed in clear rubbish bags and brought to the designated area.
- Mandatory for all competitors to use a plastic mat ground protection under the rally cars. This ground mat must be sufficiently strong, i.e., impermeable to oil, fuel, cooling, brake fluid, battery acid, waste water (including water from washing car parts) and other liquids.
- Any detected fuel leakage may force the teams to dismantle their units and tents during the rally.
- It is forbidden to drill holes in the concrete surface at the Service Park. Teams and competitors are asked to bring weights for tents and other items that need to be fastened.
- If holes are made, the organizer will charge the team for the cost of restoring the area to its original condition.
- Regarding additional and optional facilities upon request, we will inform the costs of these services will be provided upon reservation. Teams requiring these services are requested to complete the Service Park Facilities Order Form.

5.5 Access to the Service Park

Only vehicles with Service vehicle / Auxiliary plates and reconnaissance plates issued by the Organiser are allowed to access the Service Park. There is very limited place to park these vehicles within the Service Park, so if you cannot secure a parking space within your service bay, please park in the designated parking area on the riverbank.

The vehicles must be clearly identified by designated sticker plates affixed onto the bonnet. Removal of the sticker is prohibited until the end of the rally.

Service vehicle / Auxiliary plates will be issued according to the entry packages.

6. TWO-WAY RADIO

The use of two-way radio is strictly regulated in Japan. Those wishing to use any two-way radio communication equipment must contact Rally Japan Administrative Office <entry@rally-japan.jp> by 18:00(JST) Tuesday 10 March. Specifications such as the frequency, model number and transmission output of the radio should be provided.

7. FUELS/TIRES

7.1 FIA Fuel

All drivers must use FIA fuel as provided by the FIA appointed supplier. See also Articles 61 and 62 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations.

The supplier appointed by the FIA is **Total Energies**. Supply, refuelling services and fuel orders will be handled by **Sodifuel**.

For environmental and safety reasons, all competitors must refuel in the designated refuel zones. Refueling is not allowed in the Service Park (no refuel from cans, drums or similar except as detailed in Article 58 of the 2026 FIA WRC Sporting Regulations).

- The "**50L Drum**" line, which is used for testing purposes and before the official start of refueling on the morning of the shakedown (fuel switch, calibration, minimum quantity for technical scrutineers).
- The "**Fuel at the Pump**" line, which corresponds to the desired/calculated quantity distributed in the RZs, from the shakedown to the end of the rally.

7.2 Ordering procedure of FIA Fuel

The fuel order form, available in website, must be sent by email to wrc@sodifuel.com by **Thursday 19 March 2026**. Depending on transport conditions, competitors should inform Sodifuel of their

anticipated fuel order as soon as possible.

The cost of the FIA fuel is € 9.95 + VAT per litre, and € 497.5 + VAT for 50 litre drum. Only credit card payment or pre-payment by bank transfer is accepted. A copy of the transfer must be sent to Sodifuel before the deadline of the orders.

In case of questions related to fuel ordering procedures, please contact directly wrc@sodifuel.com or by telephone to Faiza Maillard on +33 6 14 66 12 90.

7.3 Refuelling

FIA Fuel will be available only at the designated Refuel Zones (RZ) indicated in the Road Books (Service Park and two Remote Refuel Zones shown on Art.7.4 below).

All vehicles will be prohibited from refueling with commercially available pump fuel for safety reasons, and all vehicles will be required to use FIA fuel in this rally.

7.4 Remote Refuel Zones

Three Remote Refuel Zones (FIA fuel only) will be established as follows:

- Friday 29 May following SS2 & SS5 in Isegami's Tunnel [Asahi General Gymnasium Parking](#)
- Saturday 30 May following SS8 Ena & SS10 in Mt.Kasagi [Gifu Ena Joint Office](#)

7.5 Safety fuel tanks

All cars must be fitted with an FIA approved safety fuel tank as defined in the FIA International Sporting Code, Appendix J, Art. 253.14. See also FIA Technical list No.1.

www.fia.com/regulation/category/761

https://www.fia.com/homologations

Fuel tanks must be fitted with FIA-specified refuel couplings (FIA WRC Art. 62.3.2).

7.6 FIA fuel sample couplings

Cars equipped with FIA approved safety fuel tank must be fitted with FIA fuel sample couplings. See FIA WRC, ART. 62.3.5 and FIA Technical List No.5.

7.7 Tyres (road surface: tarmac)

All competitors are reminded to comply with the 2026 WRC Sporting Regulations, Art. 13 regarding tyres that may be used.

FIA has nominated the following tyre supplier for 2026 World Rally Championship:

Hankook Tyre & Technology Co.Ltd.,

Bundang-gu, Seongnam-si, Gyeonggi-do 13494 Korea

https://www.hankooktyre.com/global/en/home.html

Mr. Manfred Sandbichler

MOBILE: +49 15116222126 E-MAIL:racing@hankook.com

Mr. Steven Cho

MOBILE: +82 1020032787 E-MAIL: steven@hankook-competition.com

All competitors entered with a 4WD car must use tyres supplied by Hankook.

For 2WD cars the tyre manufacturer is unrestricted, but Article 13.3.1 and 13.3.2 of the 2026 WRC Sporting Regulations must be complied with. For RGT cars, see Article 13.4.1 and 13.4.2.

Tyre order for Hankook must be made by **Thursday 19 March** at the latest, using the form available on the Rally Japan website.

8. IMPORT OF THE VEHICLES AND SPARE PARTS / DRIVING IN JAPAN

8.1 Driving of foreign-registered vehicles on domestic public roads

In order to drive competition vehicles, race-vehicles and service vehicles registered outside Japan, a temporary operation permit (temporary number plate) must be issued by Ministry of Land, Infrastructure and Transport (MLIT) through the organiser.

To apply for a temporary operation permit, a vehicle registration card, vehicle inspection certificate and Automobile Insurance Arrangement form (mandatory) are required. As the application process takes time, please submit a copy of the required documents by 18:00(JST) on Friday 17 April. If any of required documents is not provided, the organiser will not be able to prepare temporary number plates for you.

Please note that you will be required to pay a separate fee for getting the temporary number plate. Also, please be sure to inform your freight agency to go through the official freight agency of Rally Japan (Please see below) for import/export and transportation in Japan, to ensure accurate and quick response.

(1) ATA CARNET can be used for the following - vehicles/tools/parts/tyres (those are to be re-exported after the event), and promotional items. All of the items imported under ATA Carnet are to be re-exported after the event. Even for the temporary use, the import of contraband goods is prohibited.

(2) SHIPPING INVOICE - please check with the official freight agency of Rally Japan 2026; **CREATE TRANS CO.,LTD** for shipping invoices.

IMPORTANT NOTICE

1) Those wishing to import high pressure gas cylinders including gas filled shock absorbers and other hazardous materials, foods, tableware and medical supplies must obtain special permission. Furthermore, the organiser can not offer any assistance in obtaining the necessary permissions. Therefore, it is strongly recommended that you procure these items locally rather than importing them. The organisers will arrange for the sale of nitrogen gas and argon gas, as well as the rental of welding machines and other equipment.

2) Ocean Containers are scheduled to be delivered to the service park on Saturday 23 May. Please ask your freight agency to arrange for a seafreight agent to bring the container in without delay, taking into consideration the time required for customs clearance and land transportation.

3) Ocean container removal is scheduled for Wednesday 3 June. Please ensure that everything is completely carried out by 16:00 on Wednesday 3 June.

4) The organiser and official freight agency will not be responsible for any additional costs incurred due to delays in vessels, etc.

Please contact the official freight agency below regarding sea freight, air freight and transportation for Rally Japan:

CREATE TRANS CO.,LTD

TEL: +81 50 7112 3202

E-mail: Mr. Shinichi Morii <shin@create-t.com>

8.2 Vehicle regulations and insurance

8.2.1 Traffic Insurance (obligatory)

Rally Japan participants whose rally car, race car or team vehicle is registered in a country other than Japan are required by the Japanese Road Traffic Laws to take out compulsory automobile liability insurance (Jibaiseki). This compulsory automobile liability Insurance is a mandatory insurance policy required by law for all vehicles driving on public roads in Japan (vehicle owners or

drivers). In addition, all vehicles participating in the rally must have valid liability insurance for bodily injury and property damage and personal accident insurance for the duration of the rally.

8.2.2 Taking an insurance

Rally Japan Secretariat will arrange the compulsory automobile liability insurance and automobile insurance for the competitor's rally cars, recce cars and team vehicles which are registered outside Japan. Premiums and conditions very depending on the vehicle and age of driver. This rally insurance includes towing service to the Service Park.

The insurance order form is available on the organiser's website under 'Competitors/Documents'.

Automobile Insurance premium

(Period: the insurance covers from private test to the end of the rally)

Drivers' age	Recce Car	Rally Car
All age	33,000JPY	500,000JPY
over 35 years old	13,000JPY	190,000JPY
26 - 34 years old	16,000JPY	230,000JPY
21 - 25 years old	23,000JPY	340,000JPY

The deadline for applications is **Friday 17 April**.

*This automobile insurance shall not apply to damage or loss of rally cars, recce cars, or team vehicles.

8.2.3 Commercial general liability

The organisers have taken out Administrator's Liability insurance for the holding of Rally Japan with a maximum of 4 billion yen per accident. This insurance covers spectators and guests who are third parties not under the control of the organisers.

8.2.4 Rally third party insurance

Rally third party insurance, which is also valid on special stages, is only available for competition vehicles. Recce cars and team vehicles, even those bearing plates or other official identification given by the organisers, are not considered as official participants in the rally under any circumstances. They will therefore not be covered by the insurance policy of the rally and remain the sole responsibility of the owner of the vehicle.

8.2.5 LIMITATION OF INDEMNITY

The organisers will not be liable for any consequences arising from any fraudulent acts committed by competitors, even if such acts are contrary to the rules of the rally or the laws of any country. In addition, by submitting an entry, the competitor, driver or vehicle owner waives any claim or right to indemnity in relation to this event against the organisers.

8.2.6 Insurance for cars registered in Japan

Cars registered in Japan must have personal accident and liability insurance covering at least the following:

- 1) Liability Insurance for Bodily Injury: without limit
- 2) Property Damage Liability Insurance: JPY 2 billion or more
- 3) Personal Injury Insurance: without limit

A voluntary third-party personal accident and liability insurance for rally car registered in Japan can be arranged at the rally permanent secretariat. This insurance coverage is the same as above.

8.2.7 Rental vehicles

Organisers are not responsible for a voluntary third-party injury and property insurance of any hired vehicles from rental car companies (recce car and team vehicles).

8.2.8 Accident reporting

In the event of an accident during the rally, the competitor or the representative must submit a fully detailed document (the time of the incident, location, situation, circumstances, images of damaged vehicles, damaged goods, injured person, if present, name of the witness and contact information) to the Clerk of the Course immediately. The accident report form is affixed to the back of the Road Books.

8.2.9 Waiving organiser's liability

By the entry of the rally, all competitors (driver, co-driver, team representative and all others related) waive all rights to pursue any liability to the organiser. In the event of an accident, the competitor must cooperate with the police, fire department, Rally Japan Organising Committee, and non-life insurance companies in their investigation and other actions.

8.3 Conditions on driving in Japan

To drive in Japan, you must have one of the following licenses (The Road Traffic Act, Article 64 and 107-2)

1. Japanese driver's license
2. International Driving Permit(IDP)

Only International Driving Permits (IDPs) issued by a signatory to the 1949 Geneva Convention in conformity with the Convention's provisions are recognized as valid for driving in Japan. An IDP on the other conventions or treaties, including the 1969 Vienna Convention, is invalid even if it is issued by a signatory to the 1949 Geneva Convention.

[Convention on Road Traffic Geneva, 19 September 1949]:

[United Nations website](#)

[Japan Metropolitan Police Department website](#)

In addition, the following conditions must be satisfied:

- a) The IDP shall be valid for one year from the date of issue while you shall be allowed to drive with it for one year from the date of your entry into Japan.
- b) If you are a registered resident in Japan, you shall spend more than three consecutive months overseas prior to the reentry. (The Road Traffic Act, Article 107-2)

3. Valid Foreign Driving License in Japan

Driving licenses issued by the authorities of Switzerland, Germany, France, Belgium, Monaco and Taiwan are valid in Japan under the following conditions:

- a) A Japanese translation provided by the authorities that are stipulated by the applicable cabinet order is attached to your driving license.

The authorities stipulated by the cabinet order are as follows:

1. The license-issuing authority, Administrative authorities or other bodies with the authority to issue driving licences in foreign countries, etc. or the consular agencies of foreign countries, etc. (the issuing authority for foreign driving licence or the embassy, consulate-general, etc. of foreign country in Japan).

2. The Japan Automobile Federation (JAF).

3. The Japan-Taiwan Relations Association (for Taiwanese license holders).

4. The German Automobile Federation (ADAC) (for German license holders).

5. ZIPLUS Co., Ltd.

b) Must be less than one year since the date of your entry into Japan.

c) The so-called "three months rule", which is stipulated in Article 107-2 of the Road Traffic Act has not been violated.

Note: Rally Japan Secretariat can apply for a Japanese translation to JAF on your behalf.

Fee: JPY12,000 (including translation fee and other expenses)

Application deadline: **Friday 10 April 2026**

Contact: entry@rally-japan.jp

The term of validity of the translation issued by JAF is the same as that of the driver's license, which means the translation can be used until the expiration date of your driver's license. However, you need to obtain the translation again upon renewal of your driver's license or when an item indicated on the license is changed, for instance by change of address.

4. Transferring your country's license to a Japanese license (except for license type 1,2 and 3)

As a general rule, you cannot renew your driving licence if you do not have a Japanese residence certificate. However, only crew (drivers and co-drivers) participating in the FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026 are eligible for Rally Japan's assistance in obtaining a Japanese driver's license.

From 1 October 2025, the system for converting licences to Japanese licences was made stricter, and short-stay tourists and similar visitors will generally no longer be eligible. Holders of licences from countries not covered by points 1, 2, or 3 above who require conversion to a Japanese licence to participate in the rally must contact us as soon as possible on the premise of obtaining a Certificate of Eligibility and a Entertainment Visa.

Contact: entry@rally-japan.jp

Application deadline: **Sunday 15 March**

Useful links:

[Foreign Driver's License and International Driving Permits](#)

[Valid Driving License in Japan](#)

[Driving a Motor Vehicle in Japan](#)

[Traffic Rules](#)

[Rules of the Road](#)

[National Police Agency - Traffic Bureau](#)

9. HELICOPTER

9.1 Registration process

All helicopters flying in support of the rally must be registered with the organiser. There will be a standard protocol to control rally airspace and only registered aircraft will be permitted to fly in this space. A helicopter registration fee will be charged. A schedule of landing sites and GPS coordinates will be available later on, which will include the Special Stages and Service Park. Attendance at the pilot's briefing is obligatory for all pilots.

Applications for helicopter registrations will close on Tuesday 10 March at 18:00 JST(UTC+9h).

Contact: entry@rally-japan.jp

9.2 Helicopter suppliers

The preferred helicopter suppliers to Rally Japan are:

AERO TOYOTA CORPORATION
Mr. Kazuo Iwashita
k-iwashita@aerotoyota.co.jp

Central Helicopter Service Ltd.
Mr. Yuuichirou Natori
yuuichirou-natori@central-heli.co.jp

9.3 Drones

Under the Aviation Act in Japan, if you want to fly an unmanned aircraft in specified airspace or in a specified way that requires permission or approval from the Minister of Land, Infrastructure, Transport and Tourism, you need to go through the flight permission/approval process.

If you fly an unmanned aircraft without getting the right permission or approval, you could be under penalty of imprisonment or a fine.

<https://www.mlit.go.jp/koku/drone/en/>

10. HOSPITALITY ARRANGEMENTS

Please contact **PIA DAIMANI Hospitality Experience (PDHX/PIA)** if you wish to purchase our hospitality packages. info.pdhx@pia.co.jp

11. ACCOMMODATION

JTB Mikawa Branch is the travel and local arrangements agent for the event. It provides arrangements for airport transfers, accommodation, car hire, meals, coordinators, etc. *Accommodation is not included in the entry fee.

To book accommodation, please send a request details (dates of stay, number of rooms and guests etc.) to the email address below;

E-mail: rally_travel@jtb.com

12. MEDIA

12.1 Contacts before the event

FIA WRC Media Delegate : Sven GOOD

Mobile: [+44 7780 949176](tel:+447780949176)

E-mail: sgood@fia.com

Website: www.fia.com

National Press Officer: Masato Miura

Mobile: [+81 \(0\)90 3902 1555](tel:+81(0)9039021555)

E-mail: masato-miura@rally-japan.jp

Website: <https://rally-japan.jp/en>

12.2 FIA Permanent pass holders

No accreditation request is needed, but both the FIA Media Delegate and National Press Officer need to be informed of the pass holder's intent to attend the event. Please do so by e-mail at least five days before Scrutineering.

12.3 International publications, photographers, radio and internet media

All accreditation requests from international publications, photographers and websites must be made to the FIA before Monday 18 May using the online accreditation system on www.fia.com in accordance with the stated procedure.

12.4 Television

For all Television accreditation, broadcasters and networks are to contact the WRC Promoter before **Monday 18 May** at: accreditation@wrc.com

12.5 National publication, photographers, websites and radio stations

Credential application from Japanese individuals who represent Japanese organisations, radio and website must be received by the Rally Japan National Press Officer between **Monday 30 March and Monday 11 May**. Guidelines and application forms will be available on the event website. The application form with supporting documentation may be submitted online to [:media-rj@rally-japan.jp](mailto:media-rj@rally-japan.jp)

Note1: Website media will be given only one journalist credential and website photographers will not be accredited.

Note2: Media personnel of teams competing in the FORUM8 Rally Japan 2026 must apply through WRC Promoter: accreditation@wrc.com

13. MEDICAL AND SAFETY SERVICE

13.1 Emergency numbers

Ambulance/Fire:	119
Police:	110

13.2 Medical services

Aichi Medical University Hospital

1-1 Yazakokarimata, Nagakute-city, Aichi
N35 11 29.4 E137 02 55.8
Tel: +81 (0)561 62 3311 www.aichi-med-u.ac.jp/hospital/

Gifu University Hospital

1-1 Yanagido, Gifu-city, Gifu
N35 28 06.9 E136 44 01.1
Tel: +81 (0)58 230 6000 www.hosp.gifu-u.ac.jp

Fujita Health University Hospital

1-98, Dengakugakudo, Kutsukke-cho, ake, Toyoake, Aichi
+81-(0)562 93 2355 <https://hospital.fujita-hu.ac.jp/>

13.3 Towing

Towing services used in a road section are at the cost of the competitor, even if that service is carried out using the organisor's resources.

If you have insurance coverage arranged by the Rally Japan Secretariat, towing to the Service Park is covered by the insurance.

The Rally Japan preferred towing service providers are:

JAF Roadside Assistance Tel: +81 (0)570 00 8139 (call center)

For official auto insurance policyholders Tel: +81(0)120 096 991 (call centre)

13.4 Pharmacies (drugstores near the Service Park)

	Location (GPS coordinates)	Phone	Shop hours
V.Drug, Koromo Store	N35 05 02.0 E137 09 46.0	0565 37 8855	9:00 - 21:00
Sugi Drug, Jin-naka Store	N35 05 40.0 E137 09.52.4	0565 85 8810	10:00 - 22:00
Drug Sugiyama, Misato Store	N35 04 58.0 E137 10 52.1	0565 87 1171	10:00 - 21:00
Sugi Drug, Misato Store	N35 04 26.4 E137 10 54.0	0565 87 3571	9:00 - 24:00
Sugi Drug, Motomiya Store	N35 04 20.4 E137 09 49.0	0565 36 0160	9:00 - 22:00
Genky, Mitachi Store	N35 07 676 E137 17 56.9	050 1782 1100	9:00 - 21:00

14. USEFUL INFORMATION

14.1 Airport - Chubu Centrair International Airport (NGO)

Aichi has Chubu International Airport, which is an Asian hub airport flying to 20 to 25 international destinations and 20 domestic destinations - as of January 2026. It is located 40 min drive from the centre of Nagoya, and less than 30 min by Meitetsu rapid train.

Meitetsu Bus also operates an airport bus service between Centrair Airport and Toyota City. See the website below for details.

<http://www.meitetsu-bus.co.jp/airport/toyota>

14.2 Train

Nagoya is a city with good access by Shinkansen bullet train, approximately 100 min from Tokyo and 50 min from Osaka. For access from Nagoya station to Toyota Stadium (Toyota-shi station), see [Toyota Stadium website](#). It takes approx. 70-80 min by train.

14.3 Time Zone

During the event period, all European times are CEST (UTC+2), which is 7 hours behind JST. Daylight Saving Time (Summer Time) is not observed in Japan.

14.4 Sunrise / sunset

4:41 / 18:58 in Toyota City on 28 May.

14.5 Weather (Late May - Toyota City)

The average temperature in late May is around 20–21°C, with daytime highs reaching 25–26°C. May typically has around 10–11 rainy days, and weather conditions are generally mild and early-summer-like.

14.6 Currency

The currency is Japanese Yen (JPY/¥). Banknotes and coins can be identified easily. There are ¥1,000, ¥2,000, ¥5,000, ¥10,000 banknotes; and ¥1, ¥5, ¥10, ¥50, ¥100, ¥500 coins.

Exchange rate as of 13 January: 1€ = approx. ¥185 / 1US \$ =¥158 / 1 £ =¥214.

It is recommended that foreign currency be exchanged for Japanese yen at the airport. In Toyota City, the Toyota Shinkin Bank Head Office offers some services, but it may take some time for the procedure to be completed.

14.7 Tax

Japan's consumption tax (standard rate) is 10%. The reduced tax rate for some foodstuffs, excluding alcoholic beverages and food service, is 8%. Although all price tags must display total amount with tax included, on occasion this is not the case.

14.8 Tipping

Tipping is not a common practice in Japan.

14.9 Electricity

The voltage commonly used in Japan is 100 volts, and the frequency in Aichi is 60Hz. The plug is A type, the same as those used in the USA and Canada.

14.10 Mobile Phone

Most modern smartphones can be used in Japan without any issues. However, visitors should note that very old or legacy mobile phones may not be compatible with Japanese networks. Japan supports 4G/LTE and 5G services. International roaming is widely available, but we recommend checking compatibility with your mobile carrier before travel.

14.11 Embassies

Check the website of Ministry of Foreign Affairs of Japan.

Foreign Missions in Japan: <https://www.mofa.go.jp/index.html>

Embassies & Consulates: www.mofa.go.jp/about/emb_cons/over/index.html

14.12 Visas

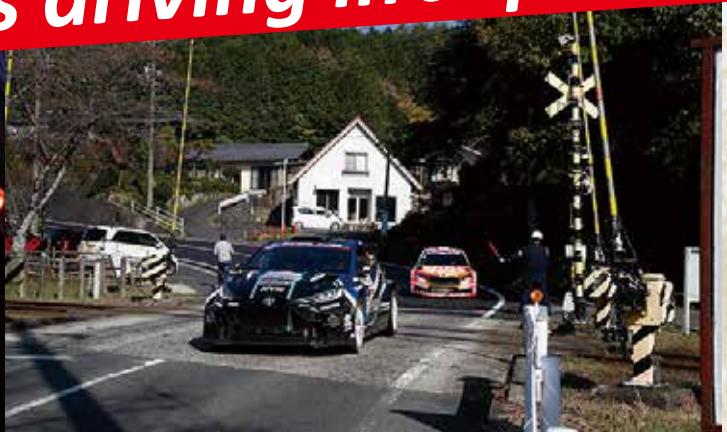
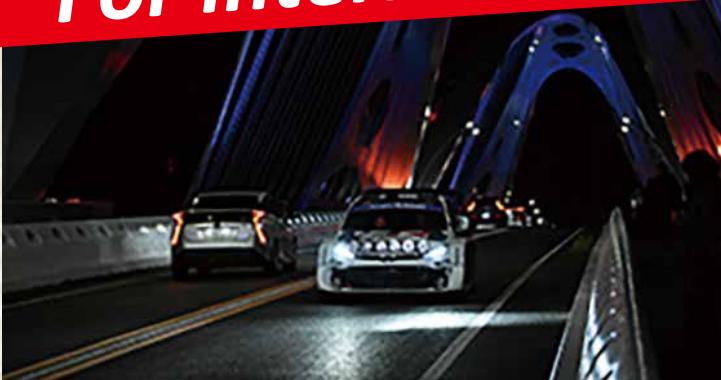
Japan has taken measures on the visa exemption arrangements for 74 countries/regions as of 7 January 2026. Always check whether your passport is eligible for visa exemption. If you need to apply for a visa, contact the nearest Japanese embassy/consulate.

[Ministry of Foreign Affairs - Exemption of Visa](https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html)

https://www.mofa.go.jp/j_info/visit/visa/index.html

WRC FORUM8 RALLY JAPAN

For internationals driving in Japan.



Traffic rules differ from country to country. Please follow Japanese rules and drive safely.

Please use good manners so that motorsports can set an example of safe and exemplary driving or sightseeing of surrounding areas to meet your every needs.

- Japan, like the UK and some other countries, drives **on the left side of the road**.
- You must come to a complete stop before the STOP line or sign.
- You must come to a complete stop and confirm safety before crossing railways.
- Where the **centre line is orange**, overtaking other cars on the right is strictly forbidden. Overtaking is also prohibited **within and in front of intersections**.
- In traffic jams, it is extremely dangerous to overtake a car ahead on the right (wrong-way driving). **NEVER DO IT!**
- Where there are no speed limit signs, the **maximum** speed is **60 km/h**.
- Remember that the traffic is not controlled for the SS sections during **reconnaissance**, and general drivers may be on roads as well.
- Using the **right turn lane to take the lead** at the traffic lights is prohibited.
- Driving through convenience store parking or petrol stations to **avoid a traffic light can cause complaints** from store owners.
- It is forbidden to park on the roadside strip **on the side of oncoming traffic**.
- **Toilet** locations are indicated **in the Road Books**. It's ILLEGAL to urinate in public!
- Rally cars do not hold any special privileges when driving on liaison sections. You are **not exempt from any legal rules or obligations**.
- You will be strictly **supervised** and **penalised** if any traffic violation is committed.



