

NEMADJI TRAIL

WINTER RALLY SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS



December 7, 2024

**Round 1 of the 2025 American Rally Association
Central Region Championship**



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1 Introduction

1.1 Welcome to the 2024 Nemadji Trail Winter Rally. Our plan is to run the same event as last year, including the two pass, controlled access recce. This will be the first round of the 2025 ARA Central Region Championship.

1.2 This event will be held under the current General Competition Rules, Rally Technical Rules, and Rally Competition Rules of the American Rally Association (ARA). The 2024 American Rally Association Rules and Regulations can be found at

<https://www.americanrallyassociation.org/rulesandbulletins>

Modifications, amendments and/or changes to these Supplementary Regulations will be announced only by numbered and dated Bulletins posted on Sportity.

1.3 Road surface is gravel. Depending on the weather it may be dry, wet or possibly frozen. There may be snow or ice.

1.4 Overall SS distance is 33.2 miles and total distance of the itinerary is 71.4 miles.

2 Organization

2.1 The Nemadji Trail Winter Rally is organized by Ojibwe Forests Rally, Inc.

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Minneapolis MN 55412

2.2 Organizing Committee and Officials

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Chief of Emergency Services	Nate Koppenhaver	701-541-7348	nkoppenhaver@rrrdc.com
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2.3 ARA Officials

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2.4 Headquarters Location

Nemadji Trail Winter Rally will be headquartered at:

Duquette Community Center

88235 MN-23

Duquette, MN 55756

(218) 496-5855

2.5 All event activities will be held in or just outside of the Duquette Community Center. Check-in, meetings, and awards will be in the Duquette Community Center.

2.6 The Official Notice Board will be Sportity as well as located on the bulletin board inside of the main door of the Duquette Community Center. Sportity will be the primary form of official communication, but due to the limited cell service in Duquette, all bulletins and other communications will be posted on the Official Notice Board. Competitors are responsible for checking the board regularly. The Sportity code is NFR2024. The public version is <https://webapp.sportity.com/channel/nfr2024>

3 Schedule

All Times Central Time Zone

Thursday, November 7th, 2024		
1200	Entry Opens	enterrally.com
Sunday, December 1st, 2024		
2359	Entry Closes	enterrally.com
Monday, December 2nd, 2024		
	Provisional Start Order Published	Sportity
1900	Novice Briefing	Online meeting
Friday, December 6th, 2024		
1900	Stewards Meeting	Online Meeting
1930	Official Start Order Published	Sportity
Saturday, December 7th, 2024		
0730 – 0930	Competitor Check-in	Community Center
0800 – 1030	Volunteer Check-in	Community Center
0830 – 1100	Scutineering	Service Area
0830 – 1130	Competitor Recce	
1040	Volunteer Meeting	Community Center
1115	Volunteers depart for their assignments	Kerrick Pick Up Point
1300	FCO Leg 1	
1458	FCI Service	Service Area

1716	FCI Final Time Control – End of Rally	
~1830	Awards Presentation	Community Center

4 Entries

4.1 Entry and payment may only be made online at <http://www.enterrally.com>. Entry fees must be paid in full at the time of registration

4.2 The total size of the competitive field for this event will not exceed 20 entries. Entries are non-transferrable

4.3 Entry Schedule

Regular Entry November 8 – November 22	\$500
Late Entry November 23 – December 1	\$650

4.4 Entry includes a printed route book, organizer supplied notes and a service space.

4.5 Competitors may revise or withdraw their entry prior to the closing date by completing an entry update/withdrawal form available in the registrar folder on the Sportity App. Once entries close, withdrawals and entry revisions are actioned by filing an inquiry.

4.6 Refunds will be in compliance with GCR 4.9

Prior to 2359 on 11/16/2023 – full refund

After 2359 on 11/16/2024 and until 2359 on 12/01/2024 – full refund less \$100

After 2359 on 12/01/2024 – no refund

If the event is cancelled; a full refund will be issued.

5 Insurance

5.1 Third party liability insurance covering bodily injury and property damage, effective during the competition, will be provided by a policy secured by USAC and displayed on the Official Notice Board.

5.2 Competitors, service crew members, and all event participants including officials, marshals, staff, stewards and all other volunteers who have signed an ARA waiver and have been issued and are in possession of an event wristband confirming the signature of the

waiver will be covered by a secondary ARA participant accident insurance policy which covers excess medical expenses to their primary medical insurance provider.

6 Event Sponsor Advertising

6.1 N/A

7 Fuel

7.1 A fuel depot will be utilized. Competitors have the option of providing their own fuel or purchasing fuel from the General Store. Fueling will only be allowed in this area and shall occur during transit time after service. Service crew may set up fueling in the fuel depot but area asked to do so in a manner that does not interfere with the General Store's customers.

8 Reconnaissance

8.1 There will be two passes with controlled starts so there is only one-way traffic during recce. Crews are reminded that the banner crew will be on stage and the road is open to public traffic, so caution is still required. This is intended to eliminate head-on traffic among the teams participating in recce.

8.2 Competitors must complete check-in prior to beginning recce. Due to the nature of our course including transits, competitors will use their own Route books and Organizer Provided Notes for Recce.

8.3 Recce speed limit is 35 MPH. Please use caution at all times.

8.4 Entrance to SS1/3 stage will open at 0830 and close at 0850. Entrance to SS2/4 will open as soon as all the cars which started SS1 have finished or are otherwise accounted for. This is estimated to be at 0915. The second pass of SS1/3 is estimated to open at 1000 and the second pass of SS2/4 at 1045. Recce will conclude once all cars have finished the second pass of SS2/4 or are otherwise accounted for.

8.5 No competition vehicles are allowed on recce. Violators will be excluded from competing in the rally and will forfeit their entry fee.

8.6 There will be no advance packet issued as the course is very compact.

9 On-Site Check-In

9.1 Competitor Check-In will be per schedule above. All entry information, including Crew Members, must be complete and final prior to the close of entries. Onsite registration will not be available.

9.2 One can submit your crew list and check the status of licensing and waivers through the links provided in the Registrar folder on Sportity.

9.3 A single email address will be specified by each team to be used for all event communications.

**NOTE* The data/Internet connectivity in Duquette is virtually non-existent. DO NOT assume that you will be able to use the Internet to obtain a license or prove you have one at registration! We highly encourage all competitors and crew members to send all documents to the event registrar ahead of the event to avoid any issues!*

10 Scrutineering

10.1 Scrutineering will be held in the service area, in the lot just north of the Duquette General Store (see Appendix 2). Cars will be inspected in their service location. Tech inspection and recce times overlap so competitors without crew should arrange to have their car inspected before departing for recce. Please contact the Chief of Scrutineering with any concerns.

10.2 Logbooks and visual packages **will not be available** at the event. Please make arrangements with American Rally Association ahead of time.

10.3 If this is your first event for 2024, a Windshield Decal and Door Placards will automatically be sent to you after you enter. You can check the status of the ARA provided kits by using the link in the Registrar folder on Sportity.

11 Service

11.1 Service will be in the lot just north of the Duquette General Store. (See Appendix 2 for illustration) The Duquette General Store will be open for food and supplies. Let's all be good neighbors; please everyone pick up the service area so it is cleaner than when we arrived!

11.2 The organizers will fine those who do not clean their service area a minimum of \$100.

11.3 Crew members must pre-register and pay for their crew license with ARA via <http://www.enterrally.com/>.

12 Testing

12.1 There will be no event organized practice or testing.

13 Features of the Rally

13.1 Starting order will be determined in accordance with ARA rules and posted on Sportity and the official notice board.

13.2 The rally begins and ends outside the Duquette Community Center.

13.3 There will be a full sweep team on every stage which will have limited time to extract vehicles. A competitor will be allowed to continue in competition after assistance by sweep. Due to the nature of the roads being utilized, the Chief of Sweep has the authority, after consulting with the CoC via Net Control, to determine if the extraction must wait until service time following the first two stages or after the final stage of the day. This determination will be based on the Chief of Sweep's estimate of the amount of time necessary for extraction.

13.4 The Provisional and Final Results will be posted on Sportity and the Official Notice Board at the Duquette Community Center as soon as possible after the event.

13.5 The awards presentation will be held at the Duquette Community Center. As a condition of our use of the Community Center, No Alcohol will be allowed. If you are found with alcohol, it will be confiscated, and you will be asked to leave. We appreciate your cooperation as we want to be invited back. We hope you have a safe and enjoyable rally!

13.6 Teams are strongly encouraged to bring swag for volunteers (we average around 100 amazing volunteers!). This has been popular in the past. If you have swag, please contact Eric or Tyler Linner and plan on dropping it off at check-in. Thank you!

14 Local Accommodations

14.1 Food

14.1.1 Duquette General Store: Sandwiches made to order at the deli counter.
Groceries and general supplies also available

Note: The Duquette Tavern was destroyed in a fire this Spring.

14.2 Lodging

14.2.1 [Days Inn Moose Lake](#)

400 Park Place, Moose Lake, MN 55767

14.2.2 [America's Best Value Inn](#)

60671 State Highway 23, Finlayson, MN 55735

15 Exceptions From American Rally Association Rules

15.1 None

17 Appendix 2: Map of Duquette, Minnesota

