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the OVERMOUNTAIN RALLY TENNESSEE
19 - 21 SEPTEMBER, 2025

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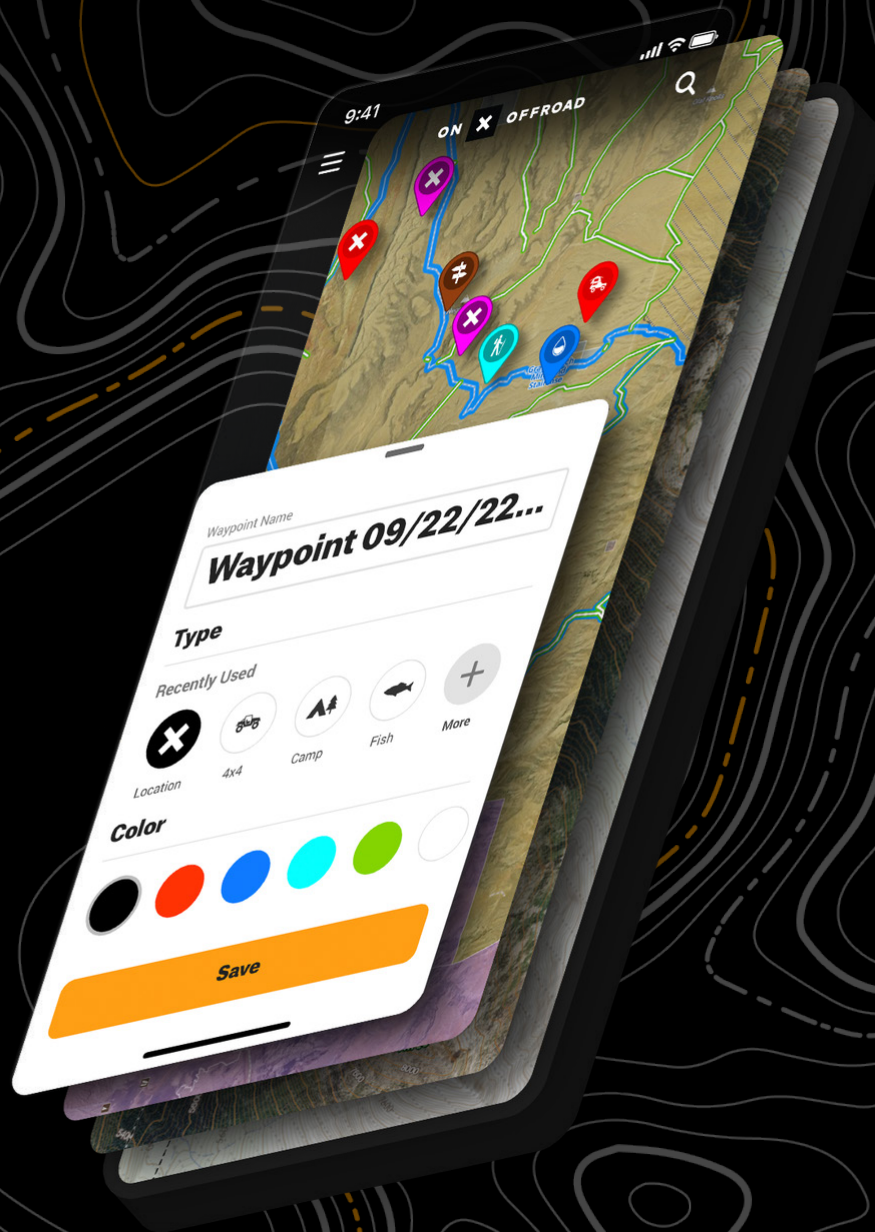


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1 INTRODUCTION

Name of the event: the Overmountain Rally Tennessee
Place of the event: Newport, TN \ Cherokee National Forest
Date of the event: September 19th – September 21st 2025
Time Zone of the event: Eastern Daylight Time (UTC-4)

1.1 Competition Regulations

This event will be held under the current General Competition Rules, Rally Technical Rules, Rally Competition Rules, and Bulletins of the American Rally Association (ARA). The 2025 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 issued by either the Chairman, Clerk of the Course, or the Stewards.

1.2 Road Surface

Packed Gravel 75% / Dirt 20% / Tarmac 5%

1.3 Route Overview

Rally Totals (miles)					
	Day	SS	Liaison	Total	% SS
	Friday 19 September	1.00	0.00	1.00	100%
	Saturday 20 September	40.75	151.90	192.65	21%
	Sunday 21 September	59.59	141.20	200.79	30%
	Sunday 21 September (Regional)	50.48	135.60	186.08	27%
	National Event Totals	101.34	293.10	394.44	26%
	Regional Event Totals	92.23	287.50	379.73	24%

2 ORGANIZATION

2.1 Organizing Groups

Name of the organizing body: Appalachian Rallysport LLC

2.2 Address and Contact Info

Appalachian Rallysport LLC
 Mail 179 Frank Hilbert Rd.
 Jonesborough, TN 37659
 Phone 423.747.3040
 Email Chairman@Overmountain-Rally.com

2.3 Organizing Committee

Chairman	David Matheson	Chairman@Overmountain-Rally.com 423.747.3040
Clerk of the Course	Andrew Frick	Andrew.d.frick@gmail.com 864.735.5301

2.4 Stewards of the Meeting

ARA Steward	Justin Pritchard	justinpritchard550@gmail.com 614-348-0394
Event Steward	TBD	



2.5 Senior Officials

Clerk of the Course	Andrew Frick	Andrew.d.frick@gmail.com 864.735.5301
Deputy Clerk of the Course	Bob Martin	wz4rfv@gmail.com 810.875-2867
	Perry Seaman	lperryseaman@gmail.com 412.735.3692
Rally Manager & Volunteer Coordinator	Kim Creek	volunteer4rally@gmail.com 423.503.9697
Chief of Communications & Net Control	Mary Hunt	mhuntBC@gmail.com 704.236.4476
Chief Scrutineer	Walter Clark	WalterClark171@gmail.com 781.540.9134
Registrar	Brandon Templeton	Btempleton157@gmail.com 423.440.9963
Chief Safety Officer	Isaac Robinette	isaacrobinette3@gmail.com 423.557.2122
Rescue Team Coordinator	Chief Cody Keys	Ckeys606@gmail.com 423.415.6656
Chief Medical Officer	TBD	
Chief of Controls	Maegan Burkart	Littlepatchalpacas@gmail.com 513.708.6848

2.6 Competitor Relations Officer (CRO)

The Competitor Relations Officer (CRO) is an event official (ARA GCR 6.1.1) whose primary responsibility is to serve as liaison between the event Clerk of the Course and the event competitors. The CRO provides competitors with information in connection to the regulations and/or the competition.

The CRO will be available before the rally by any of the contact channels listed below. An on-event, in-person schedule will be published by bulletin. The CRO will be easily identified during the event by a badge and/or identification card and a high visibility vest.

	<p>CRO Amy Feistel</p> <p>Mobile: +1 (984) 364-0894 WhatsApp: +1 (984) 364-0894 Email: Amy.Feistel@gmail.com</p>		<p>Assistant CRO Adam Brock</p> <p>Mobile: +1 (513) 965-1690 WhatsApp: +1 (513) 965-1690</p>
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The CRO should be the competitor's primary point of contact when any questions arise before or during the rally. If not able to answer questions directly, CROs will promptly contact the appropriate parties within the event organization.

The CRO is a resource for competitor questions/ concerns regarding, but not limited to:

- Start positions
- Rally and/or event schedule
- Regulations
- Communication requests for service personnel and competition crews which need assistance or extraction
- Rally procedures and practices
- Requests for clarification
- Verbal inquiries
- Requests for NCE (non-competitive entry)
- Requests for RAR (restart after retirement)
- Official competition inquiries
- Official competition protests

2.7 Other Event Officials

All course opening vehicles, driver and co-driver
All sweep vehicles, driver and co-driver
Stage Commanders
Control Captains
Service Park Manager
<i>* Anyone with event credentials stating "official" is an event official</i>

2.8 ARA Officials

Competition Director	Liam O'Donnell	liam@ara-rally.com
Series Manager	Preston Osborn	preston@ara-rally.com
Business/Marketing Director/ Registrar	Marni Nagy	ara@ara-rally.com
Technical Director	Doug Nagy	doug@ara-rally.com
Safety Delegate	Lee Sorenson	lsn6sti@gmail.com
Safety Delegate	Dave Carapetyan	

2.9 Location of Rally Headquarters

Wednesday – Thursday, September 17-18	Best Western Newport Inn 1015 Cosby Hwy, Newport, TN 37821
Friday – Sunday, September 19-21 [race control]	Newport Speedway 767 Industrial Rd, Newport, TN 37821

2.10 Parc Fermé location

Sunday September 21st
[Newport Speedway](#) [track infield]
767 Industrial Rd, Newport, TN 37821

2.11 Official Noticeboard

There will be no physical noticeboard. All competitor documents will be distributed via the Sportity App.

Links to desktop versions of the noticeboard:

<https://webapp.sportity.com/channel/OVRMTN25>

[CLICK HERE TO
DOWNLOAD THE APP](#)

ENTER PASSWORD: OVRMTN25

**All official documents, bulletins, start orders, provisional
Results, etc. will use the Sportity App.**

3 SCHEDULE

All times are Eastern Daylight Time (UTC-4)

3.1 Schedule Before Rally Week

Thursday August 7		
12:00	Regular Entry Opens	www.enterrally.com
Monday September 1		
00:00	Late Entry Opens/ Regular Entry Closes	www.enterrally.com
Wednesday September 3		
Rally Guide 2 & Advance Packet available on or before this date		Sportity
Saturday September 6		
VP Fuel Order Deadline		Sportity
Monday September 8		
00:00	Entry Closes	www.enterrally.com

3.2 Schedule During Rally Week

Sunday September 14			
Final Entry List & Provisional Leg 1 Start Order Published			Sportity
19:00	21:00	Novice Competitor Virtual Meeting	Online Teams Meeting
Wednesday September 17			
19:00	20:30	Check-in/ Administrative Checks: Distribution of materials, documents, and reconnaissance materials including individual access codes for RS Lite application	Best Western Newport Inn Newport, TN
23:59	Scrutineering appointment request form due.		Sportity Pre-Event Forms
Thursday September 18			
9:00	12:00	Open Test Session Recce 8:00 – 9:00	Test Location Bluff City, TN
12:00	14:00	Check-in/ Administrative Checks: Distribution of materials, documents, and reconnaissance materials including individual access codes for RS Lite application	Best Western Newport Inn Newport, TN
14:00	20:15	Reconnaissance	Special Stages
18:00	21:00	Check-in/ Administrative Checks: Distribution of materials, documents, and reconnaissance materials including individual access codes for RS Lite application	Best Western Newport Inn Newport, TN
21:00	Late check-in		Contact Registrar
21:15	Seeded Draw & Steward's Meeting		Best Western Newport Inn Newport, TN
23:30*	Start order finalized for Leg 1 & Leg 2		Sportity

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Friday September 19			
6:30	19:15	Reconnaissance	Special Stages
8:00	Service Park gates open Track open for walking reconnaissance (track walk) (SSS1/ SS9)		Newport Speedway Gated Paddock Area
10:00	18:00	Scrutineering by Appointment Only	Newport Speedway Infield Tech Building
18:30	Cars present in Parc Exposé		Newport Speedway Infield and Track
20:00	Crews Present in Parc Exposé		
20:30*	Driver's Meeting – Super Special Procedures <i>Delivered by event CoC or Chairman</i>		
21:00*	FCO – Start Leg 1		
21:02*	FCI – End Leg 1		
Saturday September 20			
9:15	Cars must be present in Parc Exposé		Newport Speedway
9:30	Driver's Safety Meeting <i>Delivered by ARA Steward</i>		MTC3
10:00	FCO – Start Leg 2		Newport Speedway
19:49	FCI – End Leg 2		
23:59	Leg 3 Start Order Finalized		Sportity
Sunday September 21			
8:30	Cars must be present in Parc Exposé		Newport Speedway
9:00	FCO – Start Leg 3		
17:08	FCI – End Leg 3 (Regional)		
18:38*	Regional Scores Posted/ Podium		
18:15	FCI – End Leg 3 (National)		
19:45*	National Scores Posted/ Podium		
17:00*	21:00	After Party and BBQ!	
*Denotes approximate time			
Monday September 22			
10:00	Service Park Gates Close		Newport Speedway



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4 ENTRIES

4.1 Titles for which the rally counts

ARA National Championship
or
ARA East Regional Championship

4.2 Entry Procedure

Entry and payment must be made online at www.enterrally.com. ARA will send an email blast to ARA license holders announcing the opening of entry. For assistance with online event registration, contact ara@ara-rally.com or the event registrar. Entry payments cannot be accepted at the event.

4.3 Number of Entrants Accepted

Due to the nature of the event and limited space, the number of **entrants will be capped at 60**. Five entries will be reserved for the current top-5 overall drivers in the 2025 ARA National Championship until the end of the regular entry period. The organizer reserves the right to raise the number of entries accepted.

Entries after the cap can be placed on a first-paid-first-in waitlist. Waitlisted competitors who are not allowed entry will receive a full refund.

4.4 Dates and Fees

Entry Fees and Add Ons	Regular*	Late*
Regional Championship Entry	\$1200	\$1300
National Championship Entry	\$1600	\$1700
Spiral Bound JEMBA Stage Notes	\$160	
Rental Rallysafe Wiring Kit (Section 13)	\$40	
Opt Out of Organizer Advertising (Section 9)	\$1000	
Test Session (Section 14)	\$300	
Additional Connected Service Area (Section 5)	\$200	
Service Area Camping Pass (Section 11)	\$60	
Campsite Reservation (Section 11)	\$125/each	
Recce Only	\$300	

*Regular and Late dates are in the [Schedule](#)

Entry fees include: Recce participation, event vinyl, spiral bound Route Book, Service Crew Packet, use of RallySafe tracking system, and use of a single (standard) service site.

Recce Only fees include: Recce participation, recce vinyl, spiral bound Route Book, and use of RallySafe tracking system.

4.5 Subaru Early Entry Discount

The Subaru Early Entry Discount is available to the first 5 paid Subaru entries in the National and the first 10 paid entries in the regional rallies. Highest finishing Overall Subaru will receive \$1000, 2nd Highest Overall Subaru \$500, 3rd Highest Overall Subaru \$250.

(<https://vtcar.com/subaru/subaru-rally-support-program/>)

National Code: 25OverNat

Regional Code: 25OverReg

4.6 Event Cancellation

The organizer reserves the right to cancel the event for any reason up to the end of the Late Entry period or up to the day of the rally due to force majeure. Registered competitors will be given a full refund.

4.7 Withdrawal policy and Refunds

Entrants may revise or withdraw their entry prior to the closing date by completing the Entry Update/ Withdrawal form available on the Sportity app in the Registrar folder. Withdrawal policy and refunds per ARA GCR Section 4.9.

Refunds Policy:

Withdrawal before the end of Regular Entry Period: Full

Withdrawal after the end of Regular Entry Period: Entry fee less \$500

No refunds will be made after entry closes.

Regular Entry Period ends on September 1st at 00:00 (see schedule)

Withdrawing during the event can be actioned by completing the online NCE/RAR/Withdraw form that will be in the Sportity inquiry folder. **Any questions regarding NCE (non-competitive entry) and RAR (restart after retirement) should be directed to the CRO.**

5 SERVICE PARK

5.1 Location

Newport Speedway
767 Industrial Rd, Newport, TN 37821
GPS: [36.017782, -83.207620](#)

5.2 Access Times

Gates Open: 08:00, Friday, September 19th
Gates Close: 10:00, Monday, September 22nd

Camping will be available on site for competitors and crew members; see Section 11.3 for more details. The service park will be accessible for the duration of the event. All crews must be packed up and off site before the gates close on Monday.

5.3 Facility Highlights

- General security
- Restrooms with running water
- Waste containers
- Camping; see Section 11.3
- Food will be available for purchase at Newport Speedway Friday – Sunday. Breakfast will be available on Saturday and Sunday mornings prior to Parc Exposé.

5.4 Surface and Size

All service area assignments will be on packed gravel or pavement. Standard service areas are a minimum of 20 feet by 40 feet per race vehicle. All competition and registered service vehicles, trailer(s) and service equipment must fit completely within the space(s) assigned. An additional, connected standard service area can be reserved during the online registration process for \$200.

5.5 Service Assignments

Service assignments will be made by the Service Park Manager and posted in the Advance Information folder on Sportity.

To aid the Service Park Manager in making assignments, a link to the [Service Special Requests](#) form has been provided in the “Pre-Event Forms” folder on Sportity. All special requests to the Service Park Manager are due via the form by the close of entry, and requests will be prioritized in the order they are received.

5.6 Service Park Access for Vehicles

Only competition and vehicles officially registered with a team as a Service Vehicle are allowed in the Service Park. All registered vehicles must display the registration sticker with car number on the front windshield at all times. Vehicles without stickers will not be permitted into the service area for any reason. Limited overflow parking will be available outside the service area for unregistered crew vehicles, as well as trailers that do not fit in the assigned Service space(s).

Motorhomes and campers are not allowed in the service area; for more information regarding camping, refer to Section 11.3.

5.7 Service Park Access for Individuals

All individuals accessing the Service Park, including spectators, are required to have an event wristband. Any person attempting to enter the Service Area without a spectator or participant wristband will be denied entry. Pit Passes allowing spectator access to the Service Park will be available for purchase onsite. Purchase of a pit pass includes a recognizable wrist band indicating that the person is a spectator and not a participant. Spectators are not permitted to touch the rally cars during an active service.

During the event, Service Crews and Service Vehicles are only allowed to leave the Service Area on official transit routes as defined in the Service Crew Packet. The Service Crew Packet will be available in the Advance Information folder on Sportity.

5.8 Canopy Anchoring

All canopies must be anchored with a 40lb weight per leg. The easiest way to achieve this is with a water filled 5-gallon bucket tied to the canopy frame. Staking is not an acceptable alternative to the 40lb anchor weight.

5.9 Competition Vehicle Recovery

Service crews must **notify the CRO** in person or via phone when they leave the service area to retrieve a car. Recovery routes will be available in the Service Crew Packet.

5.10 Alcohol

Alcohol is not permitted in the Service Park at any time. Alcohol is permitted in the camping areas and grandstands at Newport Speedway at times that do not conflict with ARA GCR section 5.11.

6 TWO-WAY RADIOS

6.1 Registration and Procedure

The use of Amateur and Commercial radio frequencies is governed by the FCC. For details, see [FCC.gov](https://www.fcc.gov).

Event frequency details are in the Appendix 2 – Radio Frequencies.

7 FUEL AND TIRES

Competitors are required to purchase and supply their own fuel (see 7.1 for details on ordering VP fuel). The fuel used during competition must comply with the 2025 ARA Rally Technical Rules and [Bulletin 2025-2](#).

7.1 VP Fuel Orders

VP fuel is available for pre-purchase and delivery to the event. **A link to the [VP Fuel Order form](#) has been provided in the “pre-event forms” folder on Sportity.** See [Schedule](#) for order deadline.

7.2 VP Fuel Delivery Location

Fuel drums will be delivered to Newport Speedway (refuel building). All teams will be alerted via Sportity when the fuel has arrived.

Newport Speedway
767 Industrial Rd, Newport, TN 37821
Refuel Area
GPS: [36.017006, -83.206108](#)

7.3 Fuel Drum Grounding

Fuel drums must be properly bonded and grounded while in the refuel zones unless actively being transported into or out of the refuel zone.

The easiest way to achieve this requirement is to leave fuel drums in direct contact with the ground. Handheld fuel jugs must be sitting on the ground while not in the act of fueling.

7.4 Tires

The rally makes no requirements outside of those provided in ARA Rally Technical Rules.

8 PARC EXPOSÉ

There will be three Parc Exposés during the rally:

1. Start Leg 1 (Section 1)
2. Start Leg 2 (Section 2)
3. Start Leg 3 (Section 4)

More details for Parc Exposé 2 & 3 are in Section 15 and the route book.

8.1 Parc Exposé 1/ Section 1 – Super Special Stage

There will be a Parc Exposé before the start of SSS1. Competition cars will be directed to a parking location in the infield at Newport Speedway and must be present at 18:30. Crews are not required in Parc Exposé until 20:00.

SSS1 will start directly out of Parc Exposé 1.

Event supplied [wristbands](#) will act as a pass for free entry into Newport Speedway.

9 ADVERTISING

9.1 Organizer Supplied

The Overmountain Rally Tennessee will use the optional organizer's advertising space allowed by the current ARA rules. Teams may refuse the optional organizer's advertising during online registration by choosing the "Opt Out of Organizer Advertising" add on. This can also be completed at any point before TC0 by contacting the event Chairman and paying the \$1000 fee.

All ARA series advertising must be properly displayed on competition cars.



- 1 Door Placards: 24" w x 10" h
- 2 Event Sponsor: 24" w x 10" h
- 3 Rear Window Decals

List of Organizer Supplied Advertising:

Team O'Neil Rally School
OnX Offroad
Backroads of Appalachia
MELE Design Firm

This list may be updated up to the start of the rally.

10 CHECK-IN / ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS

Entry documentation for competitors and crew is checked online before the event. Teams with open items on their registration will be contacted by the Event Registrar the week of the rally. Open issues will need to be resolved at check-in if not done so beforehand.

10.1 Check-in Times

Check-in is available at the times and locations listed in the [schedule](#).

10.2 Location Details

Wednesday - Thursday, September 17th - 18th

[Best Western Newport Inn](#)

[1015 Cosby Hwy, Newport, TN 37821](#)

10.3 Items Distributed at Check-in

Route Book

Stage Notes (if purchased)

Event and Sponsor Decals

Service Crew Packet

Recce Guide

RS Lite Application access code for Recce

Wrist bands (See below)

All materials (excluding wrist bands) can be received by any member of any team, crew or competitor, during any check-in period.

10.4 Wristbands

Every person, competitors and crew, must have a wristband to touch a rally car in the service park, or participate in the rally. The wristband is quick proof that a person is covered by event insurance.

Every crew member and competitor must pick up their own wrist band. This is how the event controls the distribution and confirms that they are not being worn by someone who is uninsured.

10.5 Memorabilia

Event memorabilia will be available for purchase at check-in.

11 HOTELS AND CAMPING

11.1 Official Rally Hotel *[This section is informational only.]*

The event has partnered with the **Best Western Newport Inn** to offer exclusive discounted rates: **\$89/night on weekdays and \$99/night on weekends.**

To book, call 423-623-8713 and mention you're with The Overmountain Rally TN, or use this direct link: [CLICK HERE TO BOOK YOUR HOTEL ROOM ONLINE](#)

11.2 Other Hotels *[This section is informational only.]*

Other hotel options are available within Newport. Please be sure to tell them you are with The Overmountain Rally TN when you book.

11.3 Camping at Newport Speedway

Competitors and crews will be allowed to camp at Newport Speedway during the access times noted in Section 5.2 with the purchase of a service area camping pass or campsite reservation.

Teams can purchase a service area camping pass and/ or reserve a campsite during online registration. Campsites are limited and provided on a first-come first-served basis.

\$60 – Service Area Camping Pass

- Covers Driver, Co-driver, and all crew members of purchasing team
- Valid Friday – Monday
- Allows all team members to primitive camp in assigned service area

\$125 – Campsite Reservation

- Covers Driver, Co-driver, and all crew members of purchasing team
- Valid Friday – Monday
- Allows all team members access to a primitive campsite within walking distance of the Service Park.

Motorhomes and travel trailers are not allowed in the Service Park. Teams planning to bring large camping rigs must reserve a campsite.

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■ WHERE TO STAY ■

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Miles from
Speedway

Hampton Inn

(888) 446-6677
1020 Cosby Hwy.
Newport, TN 37821

6.8

Miles from
Speedway

Holiday Inn

(888) 465-4329
1022 Cosby Hwy.
Newport, TN 37821

6.8

Miles from
Speedway

Best Western

(423) 623-8713
1015 Cosby Hwy.
Newport, TN 37821

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Miles from
Speedway

Whisperwood Lodge/ Creekwalk Inn - B&B

423-487-4000
166 Middle Creek Rd.
Cosby, TN 37722

18.9

Miles from
Speedway

French Broad Outpost B&B

800-995-7678
461 Old River Rd.
Del Rio, TN 37727

Campgrounds/RV

4.8

Miles from
Speedway

KOA Newport

423-608-6042
240 KOA Lane.
Newport, TN 37821

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Miles from
Speedway

Hidden Stills

423-353-8450
224 Stonebrook /way
Cosby, TN 37722

22

Miles from
Speedway

Roamstead

423-487-5534
4946 Hooper Highway
Cosby, TN 37722

22

Miles from
Speedway

Shoestring Creek

423-237-7764
6035 Shoestring Way
Cosby, TN 37722

13

Miles from
Speedway

Triple Creek

423-465-3060
141 Lower Bogard Rd.,
Cosby, TN 37722

Cabins

17

Miles from
Speedway

Cocke County Cosby Creek Cabins

(423) 487-3333
4376 Cosby Hwy.
Cosby, TN 37722

17

Miles from
Speedway

Moore's Cabins

423-487-5615
4406 Liberty Rd.
Cosby, TN 37722

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Miles from
Speedway

Smoky Mountain Skycamp

828-712-8956
2302 S. Highway 32
Cosby, TN 37722

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Miles from
Speedway

Wildwood Mountain Cabins

800-423-2030
4410 Wildwood Dr
Cosby, TN 37722

■ WHERE TO EAT ■

Big Boys/Country Cooking • Open 7 am-9 pm

708 Cosby Highway, Newport, TN 37821 • 423-532-8132

China One -Chinese • Open 11-9

133 Western Plaza Way, Newport, TN • 423-237-6865

Fox and Hound/American Cuisine • Open 11-9

127 Fox and Hound Way Newport, TN 37821 • 423-623-9161

The Grease Rack/Steaks & Burgers • Open 4:30-9:00 Wed-Sat

555 Morrell Springs Rd. • 423-623-9279

Itako/Japanese Grill • Open 11-9

132 Newport Towne Centre, Newport, Tn 37821 • 423-532-7157

La Caretta/Mexican • Open 11-10

119 Western Plaza Way, Newport, TN 37821 • 423-623-0485

Milanos- Italian • Open 11-9

465 W. Broadway, Newport, TN 37821 • 423-625-3472

Neighborhood Beer House/Breakfast, Burgers & More • Open 8AM - 9

237 E. Broadway, Newport TN • 423-237-6067

Monterrey/Mexican • Open 11-10

130 Newport Towne Centre, Newport TN 37821 • 423-623-0104

Portofinos/Italian • Open 11- 9:30

115 Epley Dr., Newport, TN 37821 • 423-720-9011

Ruby Tuesday/New American • Open 11-9

1005 Cosby Highway, Newport, TN 37821 • 423-613-0769

Simpl Café/Breakfast & Lunch • Open 8 am-2

386 E. Main St., Newport, TN 37821 • 423-720-9067

Snowbird/Coffee House • Open 8am-5

237 E. Main St., Newport TN 37821 • 423-415-5688

For more resources log on to yallvisittthesmokies.com

12 RECONNAISSANCE

Monitored 2-pass Reconnaissance will be available on the dates and times specified in the [Schedule](#). Roads will be open to two-way public travel during recce. Competitors are advised to review ARA RCR 1.2.1 before recce.

Competitors are reminded that they are not required to utilize both days of recce. All stages can be covered on Friday if desired. An optimized recce schedule will be suggested in the Recce Guide which will be provided on Sportify in the Advance Information folder.

12.1 Recce Tracking

Competitors must use the RS Lite smartphone application developed by Status Awareness System (SAS) during their reconnaissance. It is the competitor's responsibility to have a smartphone with the latest version of the app installed. The RS Lite app must be running at all times a competitor is on the stage. Reference [ARA Bulletin 2025-4](#).

Individual access codes will be distributed at check-in.

12.2 Direction of Travel

Under no circumstances may competitors drive in the opposite direction of the rally traffic unless instructed by an official of the event or the police. Competitors may only enter a special stage through the start and exit through the finish.

12.3 Recce Speed Limit and Recce Guide

Recce speed limit is 20 mph for all stages.

12.4 Super Special Stage / Newport Speedway Spectator Recce

Recce is not available for the Super Special Stage or Spectator Stage at Newport Speedway (SSS1 and SS9). Teams are allowed to track-walk any time that the track is open after 08:00 Friday. Suggested times are during Parc Exposé #1 and Saturday morning before Parc Exposé #2. SSS1 and SS9 will have different configurations. Stage plans will be available in the Route Book.

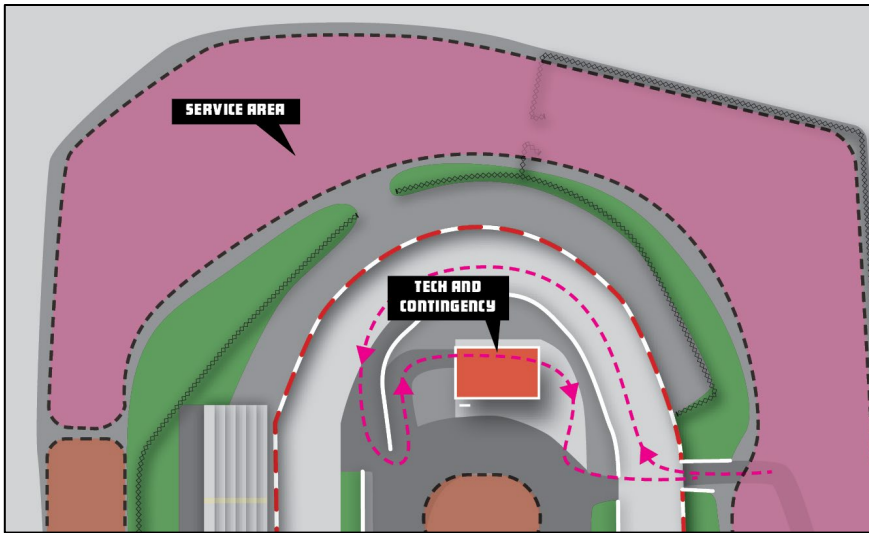
13 SCRUTINEERING

13.1 Scrutineering Location

Scrutineering will take place at Newport Speedway. Scrutineering will use the garage in the infield. Competitors are not allowed to bring trailers into the infield. Teams are recommended to unload in their service location before driving the car to scrutineering.

Newport Speedway
767 Industrial Rd, Newport, TN 37821
GPS: [36.018880, -83.208955](#)

13.2 Scrutineering Location Plan



13.3 Scrutineering Appointments

Scrutineering appointments may only be made online through the booking system by the time and date in the [Schedule](#). A link to the [Scrutineering Appointment](#) form has been provided in the “pre-event forms” folder on Sportity

13.4 Logbooks

If a new logbook is needed, an appointment must be made by contacting Doug@ara-rally.com as soon as possible. There is no plan to distribute new logbooks at this event.

13.5 RallySafe

This event will use RallySafe in accordance with [ARA Bulletin 2025-3](#). Rental wiring kits can be purchased during the registration process for \$40. RallySafe wiring kits must be installed and ready for inspection prior to presenting the vehicle for scrutineering. RallySafe units will be distributed at scrutineering.

13.6 Event Decals and Vinyl

All event decals and vinyl must be installed prior to presenting the vehicle at scrutineering. This includes the entire [ARA visual package](#) and all event provided decals and vinyl. Competitors may purchase the right to refuse event advertising. See Section on [Organizer Supplied Advertising](#).

14 SHAKEDOWN AND TESTING

There will be no shakedown stage.

14.1 Testing Location

The chosen testing road is a section of last year's Hellbender stage and is approximately 3 miles long. There will be a roadside service near the stage end.

14.2 Test Times

There will be one testing session for ALL COMPETITORS. Private test time will not be organized by the event organizing committee. See the [Schedule](#) for more details.

14.3 Testing Payment

Pre-event testing will be provided for an additional \$300/session payable during registration.

14.4 Testing Registration

A link to the [Testing Registration](#) form has been added to the "pre-event forms" folder on Sportity. This form must be submitted to complete registration for testing. Registered teams will be contacted with details for the test day prior to the event.

14.5 Testing Recce

A recce session will be available on the test road for the 60 minutes preceding the start of testing.

15 PROCEDURES OF THE RALLY

15.1 Permitted Early Check-in

The following controls are defined as Main Time Controls (MTC) per ARA RCR 5.3.14:
TC 0, 1A, 1B, 9A, 9B, 15A (regional competitors only), 16A

15.2 Restart after Retirement

To be classified as a finisher, a team must start Legs 1 and 2 and complete Leg 3 in its entirety. Teams that do not complete Leg 1 or Leg 2 may Restart After Retirement (RAR) per ARA RCR 6.3 on Leg 2 or 3. Teams may rejoin the rally as a non-competitive entry (NCE) after missing portions of a leg but must have permission of the CoC to do so.

Requesting and NCE or RAR during the event can be actioned by completing the online NCE/RAR/Withdraw form that will be in the Sportity inquiry folder. **Any questions regarding NCE (non-competitive entry) and RAR (restart after retirement) should be directed to the CRO.**

15.3 Leg 1 Procedures and Running Order

Leg 1 will consist of Parc Exposé #1, and SSS1.

SSS1 is a head-to-head Super Special Stage on the high-banked Newport Speedway short track. There are two different start/finish locations for SSS1. Both start locations complete two full laps of the 3/8 mile speedway, so there is negligible competitive advantage to SSS1(A) vs SSS1(B).

There will be two jumps per lap, one on the front stretch and the other on the backstretch. The jumps will be ~3 feet high with shallow angles for exciting but mechanically sympathetic action.

SSS1 start order will be loosely determined by the published start order for Leg 1&2 (slow to fast). Competitors will be allowed to request a starting position alongside another competitor provided both competitors agree. If no request is made the start order will be used as a guide. Marshals will pull individual cars from the infield and instruct the crews to either SSS1(A) or SSS1(B).

All cars on SSS1 will be started at the next available 30 second interval as directed by the Clerk of the Course. There will be no ideal start times issued for SSS1. Because of this, all crews must be belted in with all safety equipment prior to arrival at TC1. Reference ARA Rally Competition Rules 4.5.1 for details on required safety equipment.

There will be a driver's meeting prior to starting SSS1 to answer questions about the procedures. See the [Schedule](#).

15.4 Leg 2 Start Procedures

Leg 2 will start from TC1B/ MTC3 at Newport Speedway.

There will be a Parc Exposé at Newport Speedway at the times listed in the [Schedule](#). Details of the Parc Exposé location will be in the Route Book. TC1B/MTC3 will be at the exit of Parc Exposé.

15.5 Leg 2 Finish Procedures

Leg 2 will finish at TC9A/MTC4 (also the FTC for SS9) at Newport Speedway. There is no overnight Parc Fermé after Leg 2

15.6 Leg 3 Start Procedures

Leg 2 will start from TC9B/ MTC5 at Newport Speedway.

There will be a Parc Exposé at the Newport Speedway at the times listed in the [Schedule](#). Details of the Parc Exposé location will be in the Route Book. TC9B/MTC5 will be at the exit of Parc Exposé.

15.7 Leg 3 Finish Procedures (Regional)

Leg 3 will finish at TC15A/ MTC6 at Newport Speedway. *Regional TC15A/ MTC6 is not the same location as National TC15A.* TC15A/ MTC6 will be immediately followed by Parc Fermé also at the Newport Speedway. Podium celebrations will be in the Speedway infield.

15.8 Leg 3 Finish Procedures (National)

Leg 3 will finish at TC16A/ MTC6 at Newport Speedway. TC16A/ MTC6 will be immediately followed by Parc Fermé also at Newport Speedway. Podium celebrations will be in the Speedway infield.

15.9 Power Stage

The power stage will be SS16 (Big Clifty).

15.10 Sanction Exemptions to ARA Rally Competition Rules (RCR)**15.10.1 Exemption to RCR 1.3.1**

Only “triple cautions” (!!!) and “Danger Dot” (O) signs will be displayed on the course. Triple cautions will be marked with crossed downward pointing arrows.

Single and double cautions will only be marked in the Route Book, competitor KMZ file, and in the event map provided as an OnX Offroad app shared folder. These will be available for download in the “maps” folder on Sportivity.

15.10.2 Exemption to RCR 1.4.1

Transit times, with approval from the Steward(s), may be set to be faster than the direct calculation required in RCR 1.4.1.

15.10.3 Exemption to RCR 1.5

The special stage distance travelled between refuels in Section 5 (National) will be greater than 30 miles with the total distance longer than 90 miles.

15.10.4 Exemption to RCR 1.3

The CoC with approval of the Steward and subsequently published via bulletin will be able to increase the interval between a subset of the competitors at a start control. This will be used to reduce a gap in the field that is behind the affected competitors without delaying the rally.

15.10.5 Exemption to RCR 4.5

All cars on SSS1 will be started at the next available 30 second interval as directed by the Clerk of the Course. There will be no ideal start times issued for SSS1.

16 PR ACTIVITIES

[See Rally Guide 2]

17 MEDIA

[See Rally Guide 1 & 2]

18 PRIZES

The event organizers will award trophies for the regional class winners in positions 1st – 3rd.
The ARA will award trophies for the national category winners in positions 1st – 3rd.

Trophies may be claimed at the awards ceremony or trophies not collected may be shipped.
Trophies will not be given to anyone other than team members. No third-party couriers will be used. No cash or other monetary prizes will be awarded by the organizers.

19 FINAL CHECKS

19.1 Final Checks

Post-rally inspections per ARA Rally Competition Rules 9.3.4 will take place on Sunday, September 21st at Newport Speedway utilizing the same building as Scrutineering. Cars subject to inspections will be notified by CoC Communication during Parc Fermé following MTC6.

20 APPENDIX 1 – ITINERARY

Leg 1 Friday Sept 19, 2025							
Mileage							
TC/SS	Location	Stage	Transit	Total	Lateness Time	Transit Time	First Due
0/1	MTC 1 Out (Newport Speedway)						21:00
	Fuel Distances:	1.00	0.00	1.00			
SS1	Super Special Stage	1.00			2		21:03
1A	MTC 2 In (Newport Speedway)		0.00			0	21:05
Leg 1 Totals		1.00	0.00	1.00			

Section 1

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Leg 2 Saturday Sept 20, 2025							
TC/SS	Location	Stage	Mileage		Lateness Time	Transit Time	First Due
			Transit	Total			
1B	MTC 3 Out (Newport Speedway)						10:00 AM
	Fuel Distances:	21.96	82.45	104.41			
2			21.60			42	10:42
SS2	Weaver Bend 1	4.17			8		10:45
3			19.60			45	11:37
SS3	Middle Road Up 1	8.88			24		11:40
4			5.00			30	12:34
SS4	Wasp Short 1	4.74			13		12:37
4A	Regroup [Media Zone]		10.80			28	13:18
4B/5			0.50			20	13:38
SS5	Weaver Bend 2	4.17			8		13:41
5A	Regroup/ Tech Zone		24.70			46	14:34
5B	Service In					10	14:44
	Service A (Newport Speedway)					30	
5C	Service Out						15:14
RZ	Refuel (service)		[0.25]				
1	Distance to next refuel:	18.79	69.45	88.24			
6			29.20			63	16:17
SS6	Middle Road Up 2	8.88			24		16:20
7			5.00			30	17:14
SS7	Wasp Short 2	4.74			13		17:17
8			10.80			28	17:58
SS8	Weaver Bend 3	4.17			8		18:01
8A	Regroup/ Tech Zone		24.70			46	18:54
8B	Service In					10	19:04
	Service B (Newport Speedway)					20	
8C/9	Service Out						19:24
SS9	Newport Spectator Stage	1.00			2		19:27
9A	MTC 4 In (Newport Speedway)		0.00			0	19:29
Leg 2 Totals		40.8	151.9	192.7			

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Leg 3 Sunday Sept 21, 2025 (Regional)							
		Mileage			Lateness Time	Transit Time	First Due
TC/SS	Location	Stage	Transit	Total			
9B	MTC 5 Out (Newport Speedway)						9:00 AM
	Fuel Distances:	25.24	68.05	93.29			
10			23.70			46	9:45
SS10	Big Clifty 1	9.11			21		9:48
11			11.00			26	10:34
SS11	Max Attack Patch 1	7.35			17		10:37
12			3.90			20	11:14
SS12	Middle Road Down 1	8.78			20		11:17
12A	Regroup/ Tech Zone		29.20			62	12:39
12B	Service In					20	12:59
	Service C (Newport Speedway)					30	
12C	Service Out						13:29
RZ	Refuel (service)	[0.25]			
2	Distance to next refuel:	25.24	67.55	92.79			
13			23.70			46	14:14
SS13	Big Clifty 2	9.11			21		14:17
14			11.00			26	15:03
SS14	Max Attack Patch 2	7.35			17		15:06
15			3.90			20	15:43
SS15	Middle Road Down 2	8.78			20		15:46
15A	MTC 6 In (Newport Speedway)		29.20			62	17:08
Leg 3 Totals		50.5	135.6	186.1			

Section 4

Section 5

SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

Leg 3 Sunday Sept 21, 2025 (National)							
		Mileage			Lateness Time	Transit Time	First Due
TC/SS	Location	Stage	Transit	Total			
9B	MTC 5 Out (Newport Speedway)						9:00 AM
	Fuel Distances:	25.24	68.05	93.29			
10			23.70			46	9:45
SS10	Big Clifty 1	9.11			21		9:48
11			11.00			26	10:34
SS11	Max Attack Patch 1	7.35			17		10:37
12			3.90			20	11:14
SS12	Middle Road Down 1	8.78			20		11:17
12A	Regroup/ Tech Zone		29.20			62	12:39
12B	Service In					20	12:59
	Service C (Newport Speedway)					30	
12C	Service Out						13:29
RZ	Refuel (service)	[0.25]			
2	Distance to next refuel:	34.35	73.15	107.50			
13			23.70			46	14:14
SS13	Big Clifty 2	9.11			21		14:17
14			11.00			26	15:03
SS14	Max Attack Patch 2	7.35			17		15:06
15			3.90			20	15:43
SS15	Middle Road Down 2	8.78			20		15:46
15A	Regroup [Media Zone]		18.30			45	16:50
15B/16			0.30			20	17:10
SS16	Big Clifty 3 [Power Stage]	9.11			21		17:20
16A	MTC 6 In (Newport Speedway)		16.20			35	18:15
Leg 3 Totals		59.6	141.2	200.8			

Rally Totals (miles)					
	Day	SS	Liaison	Total	% SS
	Friday 19 September	1.00	0.00	1.00	100%
	Saturday 20 September	40.75	151.90	192.65	21%
	Sunday 21 September	59.59	141.20	200.79	30%
	Sunday 21 September (Regional)	50.48	135.60	186.08	27%
	National Event Totals	101.34	293.10	394.44	26%
	Regional Event Totals	92.23	287.50	379.73	24%

21 APPENDIX 2 – RADIO FREQUENCIES

The event uses a Directed Net of amateur radio operators on the 70cm band. Two temporary repeaters are being used. The repeaters will only be online during the rally on Saturday and Sunday. Both repeaters can be heard from the speedway but may require a mobile with a decent antenna.

21.1 Frequencies and Repeaters

Middle Road

440.750 plus with a DCS Tone 311 N

Wasp Short / Big Clifty / Weaver Bend / Max Attack Patch

440.800 plus with a DCS Tone 311 N

