



June 8 - 10, 2023 Chillicothe, Ohio
Supplementary Regulations



National Championship
and
East Regional Championship



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1. Introduction

1.1. The **Southern Ohio Forest Rally** (SOFR) is the 5th event in the 2023 Green APU National Championship. The event also includes the **Southern Ohio Forest** regional rally.

1.2 **Southern Ohio Forest Rally** will be run in accordance with the current ARA General Competition Rules, Rally Competition Rules, Rally Technical Rules, and bulletins, as supplemented by these regulations. The current ARA rules and Series Bulletins 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. All bulletins become an integral part of these regulations. Bulletins will be posted on the Sportity App.

1.3 Stages are smooth gravel with some paved sections. SS 1 (0.96 Miles) is the only fully paved stage.

1.4 The Regional route will be approximately 233 miles in length with approximately 115 miles of stages.

The National route will include the power stage and will be approximately 257 miles in length with approximately 123 miles of stages.

1.5 The **Southern Ohio Forest Rally** starts in the city of Chillicothe with a stage through Yoctangee Park on Thursday evening. Friday the rally moves to the Shawnee State Forest, and Saturday the Zaleski State Forest.

2. Organization

2.1 Address and contact information for all matters pertaining to the event are as follows:

Southern Ohio Forest Rally

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Rules, Membership, etc.	https://www.americanrallyassociation.org

2.4 There is no Event Headquarters, pre-event check-in for competitors will be at the Chillicothe Transit Garage, 575 E 7th St, Chillicothe, OH 45601

2.5 The Official Notice Board is accessed with the Sportity App, which is available for both Apple and Android devices, or at <https://webapp.sportity.com/channel/SOFR2023> The password for the event is SOFR2023 All official documents, Bulletins, start orders, provisional results, inquiries, RAR's and responses will use the Sportity App.

3. Schedule (EDT)

Date	Time	Description
Wednesday, April 12, 2023		Publishing of the Supplement Regulations
Tuesday, May 2, 2023	11:00	Opening of entries
Friday, May 12, 2023	23:59	End of regular / Start of late entries
Sunday, May 14, 2023		Route book, maps, recce, and service information sent to teams
Thursday, May 25, 2023	23:59	Last day to order VP Fuel delivery
Friday, June 2, 2023	23:59	Close of entries
Friday, June 2, 2023		Last day to request oversize/additional/particular service spots
Friday, June 2, 2023		Last day to request a Technical Inspection appointment time
Sunday, June 4, 2023		Last day of crew registration
Monday, June 5, 2023		Publication of final entry list and provisional start order
Monday, June 5, 2023	19:00	Novice Briefing using Microsoft Teams
Tuesday, June 6, 2023		Service area assignments distributed to teams

Time (EST)	Description	Location
Tuesday, June 6, 2023		
19:00 – 22:00	Driver and Co-Driver Check In	Chillicothe Transit Garage
Wednesday, June 7, 2023		
06:00 – 07:00	Driver and Co-Driver Check In	Chillicothe Transit Garage
06:00 – 20:00	Reconnaissance	Ohio Division of Forestry
08:30 – 16:00	Testing	Location given to participants
14:00 – 20:00	Driver, Co-Driver and Crew Check In	Chillicothe Transit Garage
15:00 – 18:00	Technical Inspection – by appointment only	Chillicothe Transit Garage
19:00 – 21:00		
Thursday, June 8, 2023		
06:00 – 07:00	Driver and Co-Driver Check In	Chillicothe Transit Garage
06:00 – 15:00	Reconnaissance	Ohio Division of Forestry
TBA	Media Check In	TBA
08:00 – 12:00	Driver, Co-Driver and Crew Check In	Chillicothe Transit Garage
13:00 – 15:00		
08:00 – 12:00	Technical Inspection – by appointment only	Chillicothe Transit Garage
13:00 – 16:00		
16:00	Seeded Draw	Chillicothe Transit Garage
16:30	Publication of Start List for Leg 1 and 2	Sportity
18:00 – 19:45	Parc Exposé' (Check In time assigned by Bulletin)	Chillicothe High School (CHS)
19:46	First Car Out (FCO) at TC0 (MTC1)	CHS
20:00	SS 1 Yoctangee Park Street Stage Starts	Yoctangee Park
20:08*	End of Leg 1. Thursday Competition ends at TC1A (MTC2)	CHS
Friday, June 9, 2023		
07:00	Service Park Opens	Portsmouth West High School (PWHS)
11:00	FCO at TC1B (MTC3)	PWHS
13:10*	FCI at TC5A – 45-minute Service	PWHS
16:24*	End of Leg 2. Friday Competition ends at TC9A (MTC4)	PWHS
20:00*	Publication of Start List for Leg 3 (Reseed)	Sportity
Saturday, June 10, 2023		
07:00	Service Park Opens	Vinton County High School (VCHS)
10:00 – 11:00	Parc Exposé' (Check In time assigned by Bulletin)	McArthur, OH
11:00	FCO at TC9B (MTC5)	McArthur, OH
13:23*	FCI at TC14A – 45-minute Service	VCHS
16:54*	End of Leg 3 Regional Rally Competition Ends at TC19A (MTC6)	VCHS
16:54*	National FCI at TC19B – 20-minute Service	VCHS
18:00*	Regional Podium	VCHS
18:00*	Regional Scores Posted	Sportity
18:34*	End of Leg 3 National Rally Competition Ends at TC20A (MTC6)	VCHS
19:00*	National Podium	VCHS
19:30*	National Scores Posted	Sportity
* Approximate Time		

4. Entries

4.1 Entry and payment must be paid via credit card online at <http://rallylicense.com>. ARA will send an email to ARA license holders announcing the opening of online entries. You may contact ARA@ara-rally.com for issues with the online entry system.

All rally participants including competitors, crew members, media, and event officials must have an ARA License obtained from www.rallylicense.com

4.2 A 100 car limit will be employed with 5 entries reserved for the current top 5 overall drivers in the 2023 National Championship until the end of Regular entries. If more than 100 entries are received a wait list will be used based on order of full payment.

4.3 Entry fees are as follows:

Entries paid on or before	Regular 5/12/2023	Late 6/2/2023
Southern Ohio Forest National Rally	\$1195	\$1400
Southern Ohio Forest Regional Rally	\$850	\$1000

A limited number of extra or oversize service areas are available at a cost of \$200 each.

Competitors may order Jemba notes for \$150.

The Subaru Early Entry Discount is available to the first ten paid Subaru teams in the National and the first ten paid Subaru entries in the Regional rally (<http://vtcar.com/subaru/subaru-rally-support-program/>). Teams receive the National credit when they pay their entry fee by using the coupon code SOFR23Nat, and the regional credit using the code SOFR23Reg

4.4 Entry fees include recce participation, one route book, use of a single service spot and RallySafe tracking and timing.

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 Withdrawn entries will be refunded in accordance with ARA GCR 4.9.

- Prior to 23:59 on 5/19/2023 – full refund
- After 23:59 on 5/19/2023 and until 19:00 on 6/2/2003 – full refund less \$150.
- After 19:00 on 6/2/2023 – 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 Sportity.

5.2 Competitors must have Bodily Injury and Property Damage liability in amounts equal to or exceeding limits as stated in the current ARA rules for both the rally car and any service vehicles.

5.3 Competitors, service crew members and all event participants including officials, marshals, staff, stewards and all other volunteers who have obtained an ARA license, 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. Advertising and Identification

6.1 **Southern Ohio Forest Rally** will use the event sponsor advertising space allowed by the current ARA rules. Teams may refuse the rally sponsor's advertising by contacting the registrar and paying a \$1000 fee. All ARA series advertising must be properly displayed on competition cars.

7. Fuel

7.1 Competitors are required to supply/purchase their own fuel and must comply with the ARA fuel requirements noted in the ARA RTR and in ARA Bulletin 2023-3

7.2 VP fuel will be available for pre-purchase and delivered on location and must be ordered by May 25th. Details are found on the ARA web site <https://www.americanrallyassociation.org/contingency>

7.3 Fuel ordered from VP Fuels will be dropped off at Chillicothe Transit Garage (Tech).

8. Reconnaissance (recce)

8.1 Drivers and co-drivers must check in at the event prior to participating in recce. Teams will have flexibility in their recce schedule, although some stages will have specific access times. There is adequate time for a 2-pass recce on all stages.

8.2 Recce Particulars:

- The speed limit on stages during recce is 30 mph and will be monitored with the 2023 ARA RS Lite recce tracking system. Penalties will be assessed per ARA RCR 1.2.1.
- All recce roads will be open to the public including logging trucks, forestry trucks, hunters, hikers, horses and the ODNR police. Inconsiderate or irresponsible driving will result in exclusion from the event.
- Vehicles used for recce must be normal street vehicles with no lettering or advertising which would call undue attention to the vehicle; exhausts must be quiet. No prepared rally cars will be allowed. The Clerk of the Course shall be the arbiter of the suitability of all reconnaissance vehicles.
- There will be no video recce offered.

9. Check In / Registration

9.1 All aspects of event registration are to be conducted online no later than Sunday, June 4. The following items are verified during online registration:

- Driver and Co-driver ARA competition licenses and valid driving licenses
- Competition vehicle registration
- Service crew member ARA licenses
- Registration of all service vehicles

9.2 Check In will take place at the times and dates listed in the Schedule.

9.3 All participants (competitors, service personnel and volunteers, (including any minors) must have signed up for a license at <http://rallylicense.com>

10. Scrutineering (Tech Inspection)

10.1 Scrutineering will be held at the Chillicothe Transit Garage during the times listed in the program by **appointment only**.

- Appointments may be requested by sending an email to sofrtech@southernohioforestrally.com All requests will receive a confirmation email with the scheduled time. **Requests must be submitted by June 2, or a time will be assigned to you.**
- The email should clearly state:
 - Appointment hour requested – i.e., 2-3 pm, 3-4 pm, etc.
 - Car number and the name and phone number of the presenter.

10.2 Driver's safety equipment and competition vehicles must comply with the current ARA Rally Technical Rules available at www.americanrallyassociation.org/rulesandbulletins

10.3 Per ARA RCR 9.3.1, all event required stickers and identification are to be in place when arriving at scrutineering. Competitor ID packages, including ARA door panels, series sponsor's decals, windshield decals, and number packages should be purchased in advance online. Event stickers will be provided at team check-in.

ID materials and event sponsor decals must be applied to the satisfaction of the Scrutineer. Teams will not pass scrutineering without all such items properly applied on the vehicle.

10.4 Only credentialed ARA officials, SOFR officials, and one car presenter for each vehicle are allowed in the scrutineering area. There will be no logbooks issued at this event.

10.5 The rally will use the RallySafe tracking, and timing system as detailed at www.americanrallyassociation.org/rally-safe. Units will be distributed during scrutineering. Teams must enter scrutineering with the fitting kit installed. If needed, rental RallySafe fitting kits are \$40 each; they must be ordered and paid for during online entry.

11. Service

11.1 Standard service spots are 20 feet by 50 feet

- If all your service rigs don't fit within the standard space, you may purchase oversize or extra service spots with your registration for \$200
- Teams with special service needs must contact the Chief of Service before Friday, June 2nd.

11.2 Service Locations:

- There is no service park on Thursday.
- Friday the service park is at Portsmouth West High School, 15332 US-52, West Portsmouth, OH 45663.
- Saturday the service park is at Vinton County High School, 63910 US-50, McArthur, OH 45651.

11.3 Trailer parking and pre-event service space is available at Gate 1 at the Ross County Fairgrounds, 344 Fairgrounds Rd, Chillicothe, OH 45601. They also have camping with hookups available.

12. Testing and Shakedown

12.1 Group test sessions on a closed road representative of Southern Ohio Forest Rally stage surfaces will be available to interested competitors on Wednesday, June 7 -- a morning session from 8:30 AM to 11:30 AM and an afternoon session from 1:30 PM to 4:30 PM. Sessions cost \$200 per car and will be scheduled on a first paid, first served basis (entry must also be paid in full). <https://www.southernohioforestrally.com/onlinepayment/test-session/>

12.2 Practice or testing on any Vinton, Shawnee and Scioto County public road is not allowed for a period of 60 days prior to and 30 days following the 2023 Southern Ohio Forest Rally, other than the official test sessions of 12.1 or 12.3. Any practice or testing on a private road or facility within the above-noted boundaries and dates must be conducted with the written permission of the property owner. The Clerk of the Course is to be given at least 48 hours' advance notice of any such arrangements, including a copy of the permit and contact information for the property owner(s).

Teams found in violation will be barred from starting or excluded from finishing Southern Ohio Forest Rally and their entry fees will not be refunded.

Participation in the event reconnaissance during their scheduled times is not considered a violation.

12.3 Teams desiring a private test session should contact the event Chairman.

13. Procedures of the Rally

13.1 There will be Parc Expose's held on Thursday at Chillicothe High School, 425 Yoctangee Pkwy, Chillicothe, OH 45601 and on Saturday on Route 50 in downtown McArthur Ohio. Check-in times will be assigned by bulletin.

13.2 Friday's Leg 2 will start from TC1B (MTC) at the Friday Service Park.

13.3 All control operations will be conducted per section 4 of the current ARA Rally Competition Rules and employ RallySafe consoles and tablets.

Stage starts will be counted down by the RallySafe console and monitored by the start marshal regarding jump starts.

All virtual chicanes will have a target speed of 25 MPH.

Official time is Eastern Daylight Time as verified by GPS.

13.4 The rally will start with a Super Special stage (SS 1). The designated National Power Stage is America's Best, SS 20.

13.5 TC 1A, TC 9A, TC 19A(regional only) and TC20A(national) are designated as Main Time Controls and allow competitors to arrive early per ARA RCR 5.3.14.

13.6 To be classified as a finisher teams must start Leg 1, 2 and complete Leg 3 in its entirety. Teams that do not complete Leg 1 or 2 must Restart After Retirement in accordance with ARA RCR 6.3 to be eligible to be classified as a finisher.

13.7 Vehicles will be impounded for final checks immediately following the final MTC at the Vinton County High School.

13.8 Podium Ceremonies for the Regional and National category winners will be conducted adjacent to the event finish at the Vinton County High School.

13.9 Officials will be identified by their credential card displayed on a lanyard. Marshals will have a high visibility vest in addition to their lanyard.

13.10 Competitors who are permanently retiring from the competition are required to complete and submit a Permanent Retirement slip (found in the Route Book) to Scoring, Clerk of the Course, a Time Control or Safety Sweep and hand in their ARA provided equipment.

13.11 Competitors who have missed one or more controls and are Restarting After Retirement (RAR) or rejoining under other circumstances must follow the following 2 steps:

- ✓ File a request using the Sportivity online inquiry system.
- ✓ Contact the Chief Scrutineer for re-inspection. His cell is 260-579-3959. The Chief Scrutineer will verify that the team has any required tracking or monitoring equipment and meets the safety requirements before authorizing re-entry.

13.12 The Vinton County School District is a drug and alcohol-free zone. SOFR participants are prohibited from the display or consumption of alcohol while on the property. As such, the finishers' podium ceremonies will be conducted with alcohol-free champagne for the spray.

14. Sanctioned Exemptions

14.1 SS #1 will be started at 30 second intervals. A bulletin will be issued outlining the procedures closer to the event.

Appendix 1 – Itinerary and Maps

TOTALS OF THE RALLY				
	SS	TRANSIT	TOTAL	%
THURSDAY (Section 1)	1.0	1.3	2.2	43%
FRIDAY (Section 2, 3)	64.2	49.9	114.1	56%
SATURDAY (Sections 4, 5, 6)	58.2	83.1	141.3	41%
Total – 19 SS	123.3	134.2	257.6	48%

Leg 1 (Section 1) THURSDAY JUNE 8, 2023

TC	LOCATION	SS DIST	TRANSIT DIST	TOTAL DIST	LATENESS TIME	TRANSIT TIME	FIRST CAR DUE
0	MTC #1 OUT (Chillicothe)						19:46
	distance to next refuel	(0.96)	(1.25)	(2.21)			
1			0.94	0.94		0:11	19:57
SS 1	YOCTANGEE STREET STAGE	0.96			0:02		20:00
1A	MTC #2 IN (Chillicothe)		0.31	1.27		0:06	20:08
Thursday Totals		0.96	1.25	2.21			

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TC	LOCATION	SS DIST	TRANSIT DIST	TOTAL DIST	LATENESS TIME	TRANSIT TIME	FIRST CAR DUE
1B	MTC #3 OUT (Portsmouth)						11:00
	distance to next refuel	(32.09)	(24.96)	(57.05)			
2			8.63	8.63		0:20	11:20
SS 2	SADDLE UP	8.32			0:13		11:23
3			1.94	10.26		0:09	11:45
SS 3	DISCO INFERNO 50 CENT REMIX	6.92			0:11		11:48
4			6.16	13.08		0:14	12:13
SS 4	TOP GUN NORTH SHORT	13.35			0:21		12:16
5			3.54	16.89		0:13	12:50
SS 5	ZORN'S HOLLOW	3.50			0:06		12:53
5A	REGROUPING IN - TZ		4.69	8.19		0:14	13:13
5B	REGROUPING OUT - SERVICE IN					0:15	13:28
	SERVICE A (Portsmouth West HS)	(32.09)	(24.96)	(57.05)		0:45	
5C	SERVICE OUT						14:13
RZ	REFUEL (5 extra minutes included in transit to TC6)						
1	distance to next refuel	(32.09)	(24.96)	(57.05)			
6			8.63	8.63		0:25	14:38
SS 6	SADDLE UP 2	8.32			0:13		14:41
7			1.94	10.26		0:09	15:03
SS 7	DISCO INFERNO 50 CENT REMIX 2	6.92			0:11		15:06
8			6.16	13.08		0:14	15:31
SS 8	TOP GUN NORTH SHORT 2	13.35			0:21		15:34
9			3.54	16.89		0:13	16:08
SS 9	ZORN'S HOLLOW 2	3.50			0:06		16:11
9A	MTC #4 IN (Portsmouth) - TZ		4.69	8.19		0:14	16:31

Friday Totals	64.18	49.92	114.10
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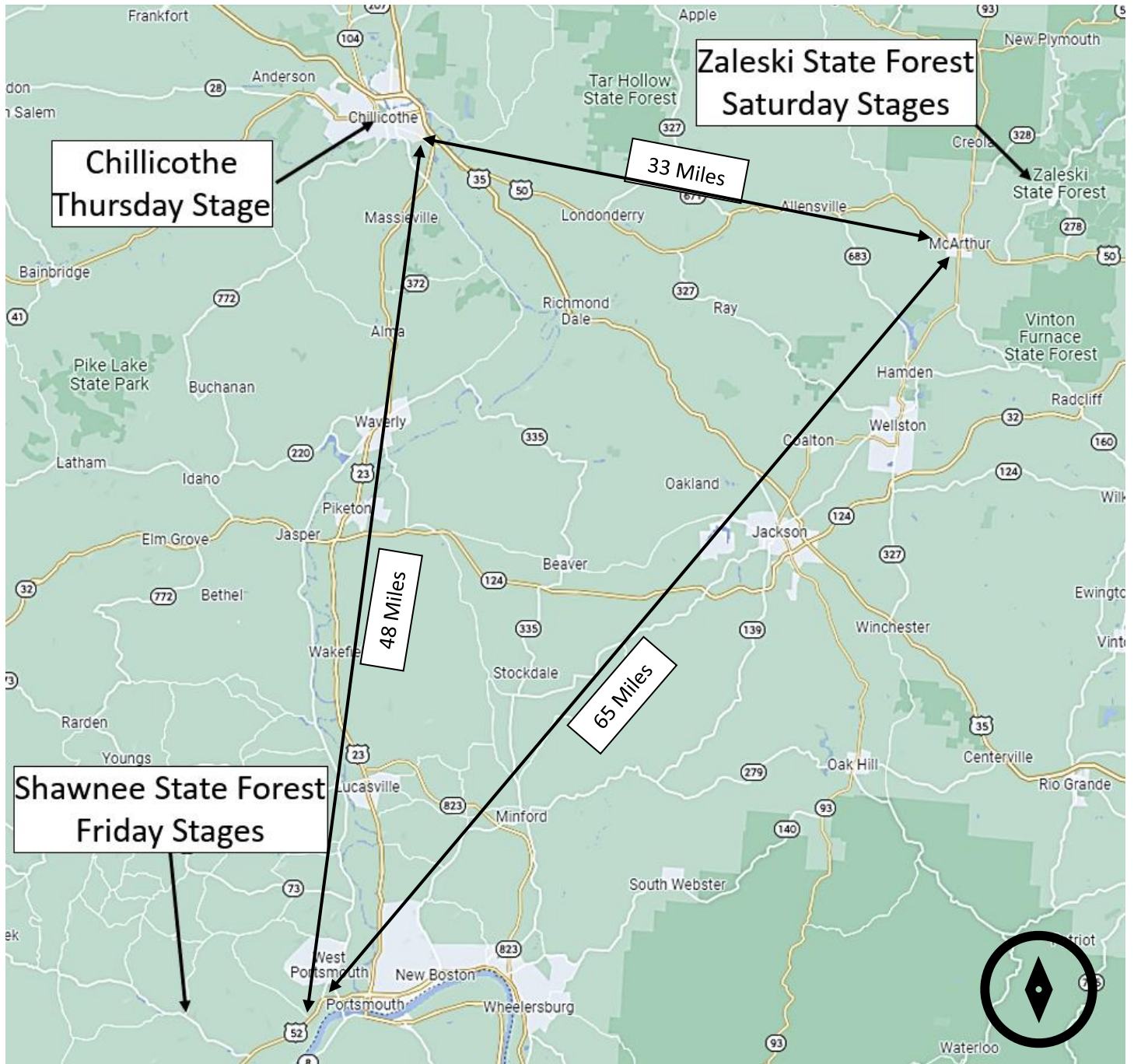
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TC	LOCATION	SS DIST	TRANSIT DIST	TOTAL DIST	LATENESS TIME	TRANSIT TIME	FIRST CAR DUE
9B	MTC #5 OUT (McArthur)						11:00
	distance to next refuel	(24.71)	(27.46)	(52.17)			
10			7.63	7.63		0:15	11:15
SS 10	COURTNEY'S WEBB	3.49			0:06		11:18
11			2.85	6.34		0:13	11:37
SS 11	AMERICA'S BEST	8.76			0:13		11:40
12			3.28	12.04		0:13	12:06
SS 12	BOLSTER HOLLOW	3.54			0:06		12:09
13			2.27	5.81		0:12	12:27
SS 13	RACCOON CHURCH	5.30			0:08		12:30
14			3.25	8.55		0:14	12:52
SS 14	WILL'S TRACT SOUTH	3.62			0:06		12:55
14A	REGROUPING IN - TZ		8.18	11.80		0:22	13:23
14B	REGROUPING OUT - SERVICE IN					0:15	13:38
	SERVICE B (Vinton County HS)	(24.71)	(27.46)	(52.17)		0:45	
14C	SERVICE OUT						14:23
RZ	REFUEL (5 extra minutes included in transit to TC15)						
2	distance to next refuel	(24.71)	(28.65)	(53.36)			
15			8.82	8.82		0:23	14:46
SS 15	COURTNEY'S WEBB 2	3.49			0:06		14:49
16			2.85	6.34		0:13	15:08
SS 16	AMERICA'S BEST 2	8.76			0:13		15:11
17			3.28	12.04		0:13	15:37
SS 17	BOLSTER HOLLOW 2	3.54			0:06		15:40
18			2.27	5.81		0:12	15:58
SS 18	RACCOON CHURCH 2	5.30			0:08		16:01
19			3.25	8.55		0:14	16:23
SS 19	WILL'S TRACT SOUTH 2	3.62			0:06		16:26
19A	REGROUPING IN - (END OF REGIONAL)		8.18	11.80		0:22	16:54
19B	REGROUPING OUT - SERVICE IN					0:15	17:09
	SERVICE C (Vinton County HS)	(24.71)	(28.65)	(53.36)		0:20	
19C	SERVICE OUT						17:29
RZ	REFUEL (5 extra minutes included in transit to TC20)						
3	distance to next refuel	(8.76)	(26.96)	(35.72)			
20			11.79	11.79		0:28	17:57
SS 20	AMERICA'S BEST 3	8.76			0:13		18:00
20A	MTC #6 IN (Vinton County HS)		15.17	23.93		0:26	18:26
Saturday Totals		58.18	83.07	141.25			

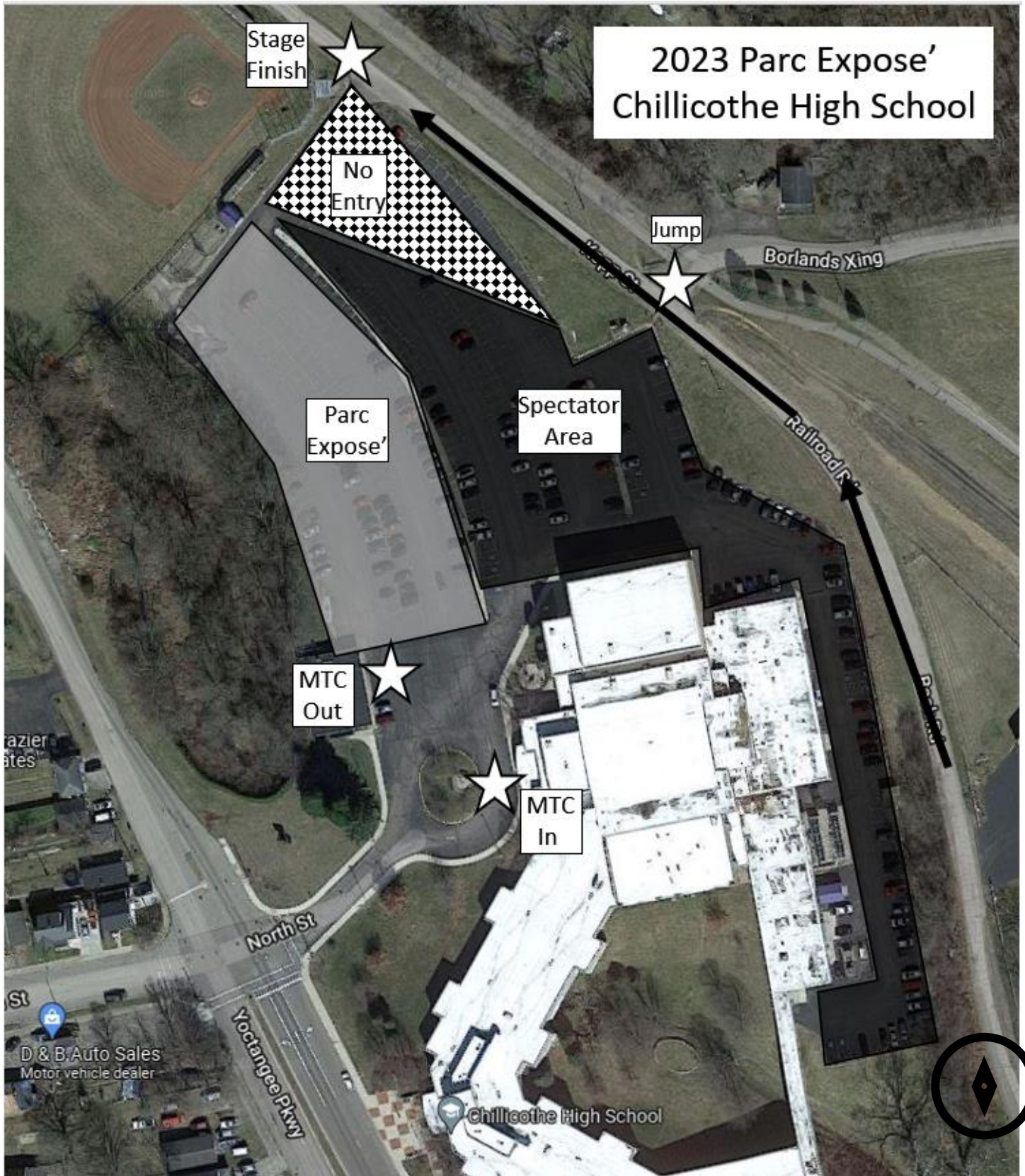
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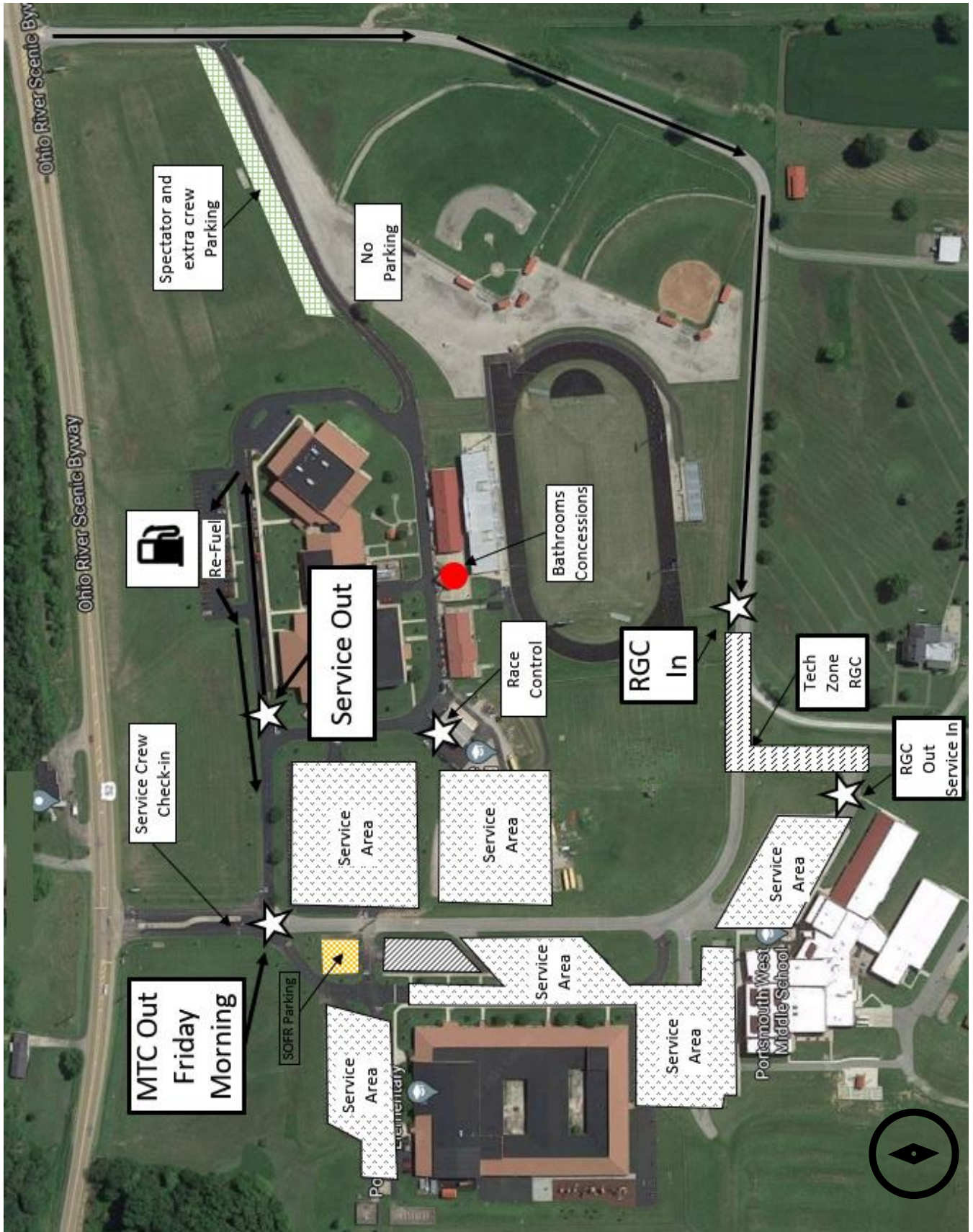
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Friday Service Park - Portsmouth West High School, 15332 US-52, West Portsmouth, OH 45663





Saturday Service Park - Vinton County High School, 63910 US-50, McArthur, OH 45651

