



ACT, Start Line, and FTC Protocol for the 2020 CUP Rally

Given the current public health concerns in regards to COVID-19 we have developed a special protocol for both Start and Finish Controls to reduce the exchange of scorecards and limit close interpersonal interactions.

NASA Rally Sport has amended their rules, specifically, Rule 2.21.2, to allow competitors to enter times given to them by control workers directly on to their own scorecards.

In order to accurately and easily accomplish this change in protocol the following procedure should be utilized.

- As a competition car enters the control select the stage arrival button at the top of the menu on the nook. Enter the time by pressing the “Capture Time” Field at the top right of the page. (Amend if and when necessary) You will then be prompted to enter the car number. Enter this same information on the paper log as a back-up.
- Instead of then entering this information (times) onto the competitor scorecard you will write the *Arrival Time* along with the *Ideal Start Time* on the provided white board, in a size and font legible from whatever distance you choose to stand from the car.
- *The Ideal Start Time and Car Number* are to be written on the provided industrial sticky note and placed on the outside of the upper right side windshield. This will provide the start line with the requisite information needed to launch cars as prescribed. They will enter this information into the Nook under the “Stage Start” field and begin the countdown. If the *Actual Start Time* (New Ideal Start Time) differs from the initial *Ideal Start Time* strike through with a single bold line and write the new *Ideal Start Time* below it and display the sticky note to the co-driver

so they can update their scorecard. Retain the sticky notes and place them with the supplemental log.

- The FTC will capture and record times at the flying finish using the Nook under the “Stage Finish” field and write that information on the paper log for back-up purposes. Instead of entering that time directly on the competitors scorecard that information will be written, legible, on the provided white board and positioned so that the co-driver can transfer the same to their card directly.

Synopsis of Protocol

The ATC, Start Line, and FTC all run the same as in previous NASA events with the exception of exchanging and writing times on to competitor score cards. This information will be conveyed by writing these times onto provided white boards that will then be displayed so that co-drivers can enter that data directly onto their own cards. Also, a sticky note with the *Ideal Start Time* along with the car number will be placed on the upper right hand side of the competitor vehicle as to provide the needed information to those launching vehicles at the start line.

All volunteers should review the three videos on the operation of the Nook produced by NASA and available on YouTube prior to the event!! They provide a great overview and refresher on the interface and procedure for their use.