



# Atlantic Rally Cup

## Articles Governing the Atlantic Rally Cup

Welcome to the 2024 Atlantic Rally Cup! We have some exciting changes for this year, make sure you take a fresh look if you've been racing with us before. A few things you may notice, PRO is no longer a special license, RallyMoto is in the Cup this year, Vinyl is free, and winners in car classes can earn that coveted Number 1 plate!

### 1 Competition Classes

The following classes are available for the Cup:

- PRO
- 2WD – Two Wheel Drive
- AWD – All Wheel Drive
- RM – RallyMoto

PRO class consists of vehicles meeting NRS GRR PRO class.

2WD class consists of front wheel drive or rear wheel drive vehicles meeting NRS GRR classes O2H, O2L, and SxS.

AWD class consists of all wheel drive vehicles meeting NRS GRR classes OAH, OAL, and SxS.

RM class consists of all competitively scored motorcycle classes.

PRO racers no longer need a special license to compete in the PRO class. Competitors who wish to move from one of the other classes to PRO may do so by registering in the PRO class during event entry.

### 2 Race Number

For PRO, 2WD, and AWD class entries vehicle numbers 1 through 99 are awarded to drivers based on their performance in the previous year. The driver with the most points will get #1, second place will get #2, and so on.

Racers new to the ARC will be assigned a 9xx number their first year of competition.

For RM, numbers 101 through 199 are awarded to riders based on their performance in the previous year. The rider with the most points will get #101, second place will get #102, and so on.

## **2.1 Ranking the numbers**

As no overall champion is crowned for the ARC, for determining car numbers for the next season all points will be added together. Thus, a 2WD win counts just as much as an AWD or PRO win when coming up with a points total for the purposes of assigning future car numbers. This total is used for nothing but determining car numbers.

For example, the following might occur:

Assigned #1 – Racer A with 150 2WD points

Assigned #2 – Racer B with 145 AWD points

Assigned #3 – Racer C with 140 PRO points

Only competitors who held a NASA Rally Sport rally license will be assigned a number in the following year. In determining car numbers, any ranking ties will be decided by the ARC promoter.

## **2.2 Requesting a Particular Number**

Competitors do not have the option of requesting a number. They must run the number they earn.

## **3 Distribution and Cost of Competitor Vinyl**

For 2024, Vinyl is free to all competitors. Competitor vinyl consists of 2 door backers and 1 windshield banner. Vinyl packages are distributed at event registration.

For events with sponsorship, Competitors are required to also apply any additional decals as directed. These will be provided at registration if needed.

## **4 Eligibility – Racer Requirements**

To gain points toward the cup the following is required:

- All racers shall hold a NASA Rally Sport Membership.
- All racers shall hold a NASA Rally Sport Competition License.
- These memberships and licenses must be in effect at each event in which the Crew desire to score points in the Cup.

## **5 Cup Personnel**

At each round, the following personnel shall have the responsibilities and authorities as set out.

### **5.1 ARC Promoter**

The ARC Promoter, NASA Rally Sport Director-East, will:

- Liaise with event organizers.
- Promote the Cup.
- Tabulate the Cup points.
- Adjudicate disputes, penalties, and protests as necessary.

## 6 ARC Calendar

The ARC shall comprise of the events listed on the NASA Rally Sport website at <https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Atlantic-Rally-Cup>. Each scored section at an event will be considered a round.

The ARC Promoter reserves the right to cancel, amend, or add events or rounds at any time without affecting in any way its power to award any title. Any events added to the NRS East schedule that meet the inclusion criteria may be included in the ARC for final points tally.

## 7 Driving Suit Advertising and Identification

### 7.1 Driving Suit ID

For 2024, NASA Rally Sport patches are unavailable.

### 7.2 Driving Suit Identification of other Sanctioning Bodies

For promotional reasons no identification of any US based motor sports sanctioning body other than NASA Rally Sport may be visible on the driving suit. Covering other patches satisfies this Article.

## 8 Vehicle Advertising and Identification

No team in violation of this article will be scored for stage times, event standings, or Cup points.

### 8.1 Vehicle Identification

Any advertising on competing vehicles must not conflict with the car's official rally number so as to prevent recognition by Event Officials. No other decals may cover any portion of the provided NRS vinyl.

### 8.2 Competing Vehicle Identification of other Sanctioning Bodies

For promotional reasons no identification of motor sports sanctioning bodies other than NASA Rally Sport may be visible on competing vehicles.

### 8.3 Door panel requirements

Entrants are to provide a space 12" high x 29" wide on each front door of the vehicle. Additional materials may be supplied which would also be mandatory.

### 8.4 Scrutineering

#### 8.4.1 Compliance

If after pre-event Scrutineering, a vehicle does not comply with the class regulations of the GRR the Stewards or Clerk of the Course may either set a deadline before which the vehicle must be made to comply or place the vehicle in the appropriate class.

#### 8.4.2 Marking or Sealing

1. The Chief Scrutineer and assistance Scrutineers may, at their discretion, make identification marks on the vehicle chassis, engine and/or transmission housings at any time throughout an event.

2. Should identification mark be affixed, it is the sole responsibility of the crew to make sure these marks are preserved intact until the end of the event.

## 9 Determination of Cup standings

### 9.1 Competitive Points Allocation Table

Points will be issued based on results using the following table:

Place	Points	Place	Points
1	32	11	10
2	27	12	9
3	23	13	8
4	20	14	7
5	18	15	6
6	16	16	5
7	14	17	4
8	13	18	3
9	12	19	2
10	11	20 and below	1

### 9.2 Starting Points

All entrants will receive four starting points for leaving the first time control of the event.

### 9.3 RallySolo

RallySolo drivers will receive points in the appropriate ARC class. Their non-existent codriver will absorb the codriver points for that particular place. Example: if a RallySolo driver took second in AWD, the codriver in the first place car would receive first place points, and the codriver in the third place car would receive third place points. No codriver would receive second place points.

### 9.4 Which Events Count Toward the Cup

The Cup standings shall be calculated based on all rounds deemed eligible for inclusion by the ARC promoter.

### 9.5 Points Multiplier

The multiplier for the events is based on the number of miles or days run. In general, each day raced counts as a round's worth of points:

- single day, single round
- two days, two rounds
- three days, three rounds

Depending on the scoring of the particular event, those points may be combined (for example, a single event spread over two days, counting for double points) or awarded separately (for example, a single points event on Saturday followed by a single points event on Sunday. Very short events (anticipated winning time under 45 minutes) will be awarded 50% full points. A "race day" that

consists solely of a super-special-stage or special event, even if run multiple times, does not count toward the number of days counted for rounds. Any unusual circumstances will be clarified in the Event Supplemental Regulations.

### 9.6 Procedure for Tie Breaking for Overall Champion

In case of a tie for the first position in the Cup, the tie breaking system is:

1. The competitor with the highest number of event finishes shall be declared the winner of the Cup.
2. If this fails to break the tie, the competitor with the highest event finishes by place shall be declared the winner. Most first overall, then most second overall, etcetera.
3. If this fails to break the tie, the competitor with the higher number of Cup events entered by the competitor in this calendar year.
4. And finally, competitors may mutually agree to flip a coin.

### 9.7 Cup Points Inquiry Period

Inquiries concerning points standings must be received by ARC Promoter within seven days of the points for that event being posted online or they will not be considered. This rule in no way effects the times and procedures of event result finality: it only is related to Cup points. This rule does not modify the duties or abilities of the ARC promoter to apply penalties as necessary. Inquiries must be filed by email to [perry@nasarallysport.com](mailto:perry@nasarallysport.com) using the official Championship Inquiry Form available online.

### 9.8 Points Adjustment

The Cup promoter reserves the right to remove or alter points from the competitors as needed to satisfy issues relevant to the sanctioning body.

## 10 Awards

### 10.1 The Atlantic Rally Cup

No overall cup will be awarded. All classes, PRO, 2WD, AWD, and RM run independently.

### 10.2 The Atlantic Rally Cup Class Awards

Class awards will be awarded to Driver and Co-Driver for all ARC recognized classes to the depth represented in the following table:

Competitors in class at year end	Trophies Awarded
10 or more	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup> , 3 <sup>rd</sup>
5 - 9	1 <sup>st</sup> , 2 <sup>nd</sup>
1 - 4	1 <sup>st</sup>

### 10.3 Essence of Cup Participation

In order to receive a year end class trophy, a competitor must compete in more than one rally in the class which they are contesting.

### 10.4 Unclaimed Awards

Awards not picked up at the awards ceremony may be shipped at the competitor's expense. Competitors must contact the relevant party within 14 days with shipping and payment details.

## 11 Sources

These Articles are at all times to be read in conjunction (as appropriate) with:

1. NASA Rally Sport™ General Regulations for Rallies and its appropriate Appendices
2. Any bulletins issued in accordance with the General Regulations for Rallies
3. Any bulletins issued by the Cup organizer and promoter
4. The Supplementary Regulations issued by the individual events

## 12 Interpretation

- ARC - Atlantic Rally Cup
- Cup - Atlantic Rally Cup
- Crew - the competing person(s) who is entered in the Cup
- Entrant - the person or legal entity that has entered in the Cup
- GRR - the General Regulations for Rallies issued by NASA Rally Sport
- NRS – NASA Rally Sport