# RALLY GUIDE

# **Regulatory Power:**

The KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally 2011 will be run in accordance with the International Sporting Code (and its Appendices), the General Prescriptions applicable to all FIA Rally Championships, FIA Africa Rally Championship regulations, the Rwanda Automobile Club (RAC) Sporting Code that complies with FIA Regulations and the Supplementary Regulations (and its Appendices).

This document has no regulatory power and is issued as a guide only.

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#### **1.0 INTRODUCTION**

#### **1.1** Message From The Organising Committee

The KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally 2011 Organizing Committee invites you to come and experience the KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally 2011 (RMGR 2011). Competitors will enjoy the hospitality of Rwanda and treat themselves to a land of diverse cultures and sights.

This year the event will be the 7<sup>th</sup> Round of the FIA African Rally Championship.

The **KCB RWANDA MOUNTAIN GORILLA RALLY 2011** is organized by **Rwanda Automobile Club (RAC)**. The event runs under the FIA African Rally Championship regulations which allow longer "competitive sections" and the competitive distance will be approximately 300 Kms. The total length of the rally will be approximately 600 kms. It will be run on open gravel roads in the outlying rural areas northern of Rwanda, around Musanze (ex-ruhengeri)-near the volcanoes and on Saturday in Gicumbi (ex-byumba) areas on Sunday. The rally is run on open roads, i.e. there are pedestrians and vehicular traffic.

The RMGR 2011 counts for the following:

- 2011 FIA African Rally Championship for Drivers & Co-drivers
- 2011 FIA African Rally Championship for Manufacturers
- 2011 FIA Championship Cup for Drivers of Groups A, N and 2 WD and normally aspirated cars of maximum1600 cc
- 2011 RAC National Rally Championships
- 2011 KCB East African Challenge.

The organizers of the RMGR 2011 look forward to your valued participation in our rally and have compiled this booklet to assist you in all your arrangements for this year's event.

This Rally Guide contains information to assist you in preparing for this event. Should any of your queries not be covered in this booklet, please do not hesitate to contact the Rally Secretariat.

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# **1.2 Event History**

# **44 YEARS OF AUTOMOBILE SPORT IN RWANDA**

In 1967, Mr. Faarup and Vandijk organized the first Rally in Rwanda in collaboration with the Round Table.

In 1968, the second Rally in Rwanda was organized by the Round Table. The same year, the Impala team organized the 1st Rally of the Rains.

January 23, 1969 sees the birth of the Automobile Club du Rwanda (A.C.R). In June A.C.R and the Round Table organize the 3rd Rwandan Rally, and in November the A.C.R produced the 1st 12 Hours of Butare Rally.

In1970, the 4th Rwandan Rally is organized by the A.C.R and the 2<sup>nd</sup> 12 Hours of Butare Rally by the Lions Club.

In May 1971, the name Auto-Moto Club of Rwanda (A.M.C.R) appears for the first time and it is A.M.C.R that organizes the 5th Rwandan Rally, whilst the Lions Club of Butare ensures the organization and development of the 3rd 12 Hours of Butare Rally.

Organization by the A.M.C.R continues this way until 1982, when the Club applies as a member of the "Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile" and organizes the 10th Rwandan Rally.

In 1984, during the General Assembly gathered in Paris, the "Fédération Internationale de l'Automobile" pronounces the affiliation A.M.C.R to the F.I.A.



In 1985 the team Luc Requile & Luc Verhulst win the first title of « African Rally Champions » in Rwanda.

In 1986, a new Administrative Counsel is elected and the Rwanda Rally title changes to become the 14th Rallye des 1000 collines.

Since the A.M.C.R. no longer organizes Motorcycle competitions, it is decided during the extraordinary General Assembly of January 9th, 1987, to modify the Club statutes, and was renamed **« RWANDA AUTOMOBILE CLUB »** in short **« R.A.C ».** 

Year 1987 proving to be full of events, it is also the occasion for the R.A.C. to celebrate the 15th Rallye des 1000 Collines which is also the 1st event in the African Continent Rally Championship of 1987.

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The following editions will confirm the success of the Rallye des 1000 Collines in the African Championship. A 1988 fantastic gathering brings together in the starting block in Kigali, the title holders of six countries: Rwanda (André), Burundi (Costa), Zaïre (now Congo) (VDK), Tanzania (Sandhu), Zambia (S.Singh) et Kenya (Rai), as well as three African Champion Pilots: Requille (1985), Sandhu (1987) et Singh (1988, 1989, 1991, 1993, 1996, 1997, 1998, 2000).

In 1997 with the support of Pol Hendrickx the R.A.C. activities are given new life and the rally of the reconciliation is organized, it meets with great success, a new committee is put in place, and the Great Lakes Rally is reborn!

In 1999, the 1st Fraternity Rally is organized in collaboration with the Ugandan Club. The start is given in Kampala and the final stage reaches Kigali, this under the supervision of an FIA delegation who, at the end of the Rally, agrees to the return of Rwanda to the African Championship.

In 2000, national Champions are Pilot Elefter Mitraros and Navigator Bernadette Van den Steen-Mitraros.

In 2001, the will and perseverance of the new Committee is recognized by **His Excellency the President of the Republic of Rwanda, Mr. Paul KAGAME**, who gives his **High Patronage** to the 3rd edition of the « Fraternity Rally ». The South African teams Burger-Swannepoel win the event and the FIA title of African Rally Champion in Rwanda, and completes the success of the event.

In 2002, still under the patronage **His Excellency the President of the Republic of Rwanda, Mr. Paul KAGAME,** the Fraternity Rally is renamed Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally –5th event in the FIA African Championship 2003. 25 cars at the start of this Rally. Never a Rwandan rally has known such a success with number of participants! Other than the Rwandan teams, several foreign teams from Belgium, South Africa, Zambia, Kenya and Burundi participate in this Rally. The South African team Gemmel - Paisley with their Subaru Impreza, wins the Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally. At the level of the National Championship, and after a hard fight till the last Rally of the season between several teams, the Rwandan Rally Champions 2002 are once again Pilot Elefter Mitraros and for the first time Nicolas Mitraros, Navigator to Tony Saegerman.

2003, the 2<sup>nd</sup> Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally funded by Total is won once again by a South African team (Rueda – Botha on Mitsubishi Lancer Evo6) who on the Rwandan roads also claim the title of FIA African Rally Champion 2003. Whereas the National Championship has the honor of a 100 % female team: Nathalie Cox et Sylvia Vindevogel on their Toyota Corolla 16S who are Rwanda Rally Champions 2003.

2004, the « stronger gender » reacts and imposes itself once more. With 5 victories over 6 Rallies, Tony Saegerman wins for the first time the Rwanda Rally Championship at the wheel of his Toyota Celica 4WD. His Navigator Nicolas Mitraros is Rwanda Champion for the second time.

Finally our country is honored! The team Burundian (Rudy Canthanede) – Rwandan (David Israel) on Mitsubishi Lancer Evo3 clearly claims the 3rd Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally edition 2004.



#### CANTHANEDE – ISRAEL – MITSUBISHI LANCER EVO3

In 2005, it is once again Elefter Mitraros who is acclaimed National Champion, lifting his « little » Peugeots 106 and 205, to the top, after a most constant season, without a single drop out in 7 Rallies.

On the Navigator side, a year to remember: in the history of the Club and the events. For the first time since 1967, a Rwandan competitor claims the Navigator's Rwandan Rally Championship title. Honor to Eric Nzamwita but also to his Pilot Said Twizeyimana who enabled him to win this title.

The 4th edition of the Rwanda Mountain, The Ugandan team wins gorilla Rally: Riyaz Kurji - Sayed Kadri on Subaru Impreza.

The FIA African Rally Championship is won for the second consecutive time by the Zambians Muna Singh and David Sihoka also on Subaru Impreza



# ERIC NZAMWITA RWANDAN RALLY 2005 - NAVIGATOR OF TWIZEYIMANA WITH THEIR TOYOTA CELICA 4WD

Since 2006 to our days, the Rallies in Rwanda have become mainly a history between Mitsubishi and Subaru with Subaru gaining the last 3 years championship with Rudy Cantanhede in 2006 and 2007 and Giancarlo Davite this last season in 2008.



CANTANHEDE - 2006-2007 CHAMPION



DAVITE - 2008 RALLY CHAMPION

In 2006 and 2007, RAC organized 2 editions of the Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally which have been remain in the memory of all competitors especially the foreigners as the on of the best event of the FIA Rally African Championship.

"Le Rallye des 1000 Collines" was the last event of the past season championship. The Rally received also another nomination "Irushanwa" which means in Kinyarwanda "Competition". For this rally the organizer invented a new formula of rallying by putting the different sponsors of the rally in competition. Each sponsor received a team of 2 or 3 rally cars and the cars were scoring points for their team and sponsor and a special challenge called the "Irushanwa Challenge" had to be win at the end of the rally. This created a very big enthusiasm among sponsors and competitors and the formula was definitely appreciated by everybody. It created a race in the race with a very positive spirit of fighting and fairplay.

2009 – A Huge event took place from 18th to 20<sup>th</sup> September the RAC was a candidate in Africa rally championship, the same event was the final of the PIRELLI STAR DRIVER (PSD) and the KCB EAST AFRICA RALLY CHALLENGE (KCB EARC). Giancarlo Davite and Syllivia Vindevogel won the KCB RWANDA MOUNTAIN GORILLA RALLY and the KCB EARC and Peter Horsey won the PSD and for the second time consecutively Giancarlo Davite won the Rwanda national rally championship 2009 and Guy Dekelver won the Rwanda national rally championship 2009 for navigator.

2010 – 2010 has shown that rallying is progressing in the region. With record of 38 entries in RMGR, we sow an even better spectacular event. Classic cars from Kenya and other competitors from Kenya, Uganda, Burundi and Rwanda enjoyed the eastern part of Rwanda where Rudy CANTHANEDE and David ISRAEL won the KCB MOUNTAIN GORILLA RALLY, Giancarlo and Sylvia winning the KCB EAST AFRICAN CHALLENGE.

2002	Gemmel - Paisley	Subaru Impreza
2003	Rueda- Botha	Mitsubishi Lancer Evo 6
2004	Rudy Canthanede – David Israel	Mitsubishi Lancer Evo 3
2005	Late Riyaz Kurji - Kadri	Subaru Impreza N10
2006	Late Riyaz Kurji - Kadri	Subaru Impreza N8
2007	Conrad Rautenbach - Peter Marsh (ZW)	Subaru Impreza N10
2008	Rudy Canthanede – David Israel	Subaru Impreza N11
2009	Giancarlo Davite – Sylvia vindevogel	Subaru Impreza N11
2010	Rudy Canthanede – David Israel	Subaru Impreza N8

# **1.3 Past Winners Of The Event**

## **1.4 Event Overview**

The 2011 edition of the KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally will be competed over three days. The rally will cover the picturesque scenery of Rwanda and will take competitors and fans to the east parts of the country. The total distance of the rally will be 600 kms, of which approximately 300 Kms will be competitive.

There is a total of 16 Competitive Sections which will be re-run over the course of the rally, the longest of which will be 29 Kms and the shortest 5 Kms. The competitive sections will be run in groups of 2 or 3.

The competitive sections will be on gravel roads that are open to the public. However, information will be relayed to the road users to ensure that traffic is kept to a minimum on the days of the event.

## Day 1A Friday September 30th, 2011

After a ceremonial start, the cars will proceed to a Spectator Stage at the quarry Grounds near Kigali. The stage which is approximately 2.5 Km in length will be competed over two runs, in reverse seeding order. The circuit is located on the Bugesera road. This circuit is famous for its attraction of a high number of spectators, who have numbered ever 50,000 at one time.

# Day 1B Saturday October 1st, 2011

The cars, after an overnight rest at the Hotel UMUBANO, will head in the northern direction, towards now known competitive sections situated on the bed of two famous volcanoes (KALISIMBI and SABYINYO) .New routes have been designed and details are expected to be released by the end of July 2011.

#### Day 2 Sunday October 2nd, 2011

The cars, after another overnight rest at the Hotel Umubano, will again head to north but this time towards the hilly parts of BYUMBA. This place is situated near Kigali approximately 45km, thus reducing the length the liaison.

Please note that the details of the route will be available in the Supplementary Regulations for the rally, which will be made available soon.

The organisers wish to point out also that the format given above is a draft precise of the Itinerary and is subject to change in case conditions on the ground demand so. Any significant changes will however be communicated to all aspiring competitors, as and when they occur.

#### 2.0 EVENT ORGANISATION

#### 2.1 Rally Office Details

#### **Contacts:**

Rwanda Automobile Club K.B.C. (Kigali Business Center) Boulevard de l'Umuganda. Third floor A21.

#### Organizing comity secretary / Event Coordinator

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# **Clerk of the Course**

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#### Chief scruteneer.

Yannick de WALQUE.

Time checking & Results Manager Richard HOUBEN

#### ASN Safety delegate

Dismas KAYIBANDA

Liaison Police officer Bertin RUTSINDURA

**Chief medical officer** Dr. Ernest KARURANGA.

Marshals' relations Charles Kenge

Service Park manager Bruce Irambona

**Logistic manager** Eric RWEGO.

#### **ORGANISATION COMMITTEE (RAC)**

Chairman: Vice –Chairman: Secretary: Treasurer: Yves Kagina Johnny Murengezi Christian Gakwaya Ange Cyatangabo

Members:

Paolo PAGANIN Fabrice SEMANA KAMI Yannick de Walque

#### **STEWARDS OF THE MEETING**

Chairman:	Willie du PLESSIS (ZAF)
Stewards:	Jonathan ASHMAN (GBR)
ASN steward:	Salim ABDULGANI.
Stewards' secretary:	Corrine HAFNER MATOVU
Observer FIA:	John ANAGNOSTOPOULOS
FIA Technical Delegate:	Viren Goricha (KEN),

# 2.2 Program of the Rally

# **OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES:**

Sunday July 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 09:00 Hrs

# DATE OF ISSUING THE ROAD BOOK:

Local Competitors: Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 - 15:00 Hrs at Rally HQ.

Foreign Competitors: Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup>, 2011 - 07:00 at HQ.

# **CLOSING DATE OF ENTRIES:**

Sunday September 18th, 2011, 24:00 Hrs

# DATES OF RECONNAISSANCE:

Local Competitors:	Saturday September 23 <sup>rd</sup> – Sunday September 24 <sup>th</sup> , 2011 at 06:00 – 20:00 Hrs
Foreign Competitors:	Wednesday September 027 <sup>th</sup> - Thursday September 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2010 at 06:00 - 20:00 Hrs

# DATE OF THE ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS:

Place:	Rally HQ	
Local Cor	npetitors:	Friday September 30 <sup>th</sup> 2011,
		07:00 – 12:00 Hrs

DATE OF SCRUTINEERING OF THE CARS: Place: **TBA** Time: Thursday June 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 14:00 Hrs

DATE OF THE FIRST STEWARDS MEETING:

Place: Rally HQ

Time: Friday September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 9:00 Hrs

DATE OF PUBLICATION OF THE LIST OF CREWS ELIGIBLE TO TAKE THE START: Place: Official Notice Board, Rally HQ Time: Friday September 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 14:00 Hrs

STARTING DATE OF THE RALLY: Place: private sector compound. Time: Friday June 30<sup>th</sup>, 2011, 13:00 Hrs

LOCATIONS AND TIMES OF THE START AND FINISH OF THE VARIOUS LEGS:

Start and Finish location for all legs: Rally headquarters Leg 1A: Start: Friday September 30th, 2011, 13:00 Hrs Finish: Friday September 30th, 2011, 18:00 Hrs

- Leg 1B: Start: Saturday October 1st, 2011, 07:00 Hrs Finish: Saturday October 1st, 2011, 18:00 Hrs
- Leg 2: Start: Sunday October 2nd, 2011, 06:30 Hrs Finish: Sunday June 06<sup>th</sup>, 2010, 14:00 Hrs

FINISHING DATE OF THE RALLY: Place: Private sector compound. Time: 16:15 Hrs Sunday October 2nd, 2011

DATE OF FINAL CHECKS: Place: Gicumbi Service Park. Time: 10 minutes after each car finishes rally Sunday October 2nd, 2011

PLACE AND TIME OF PUBLICATION OF RESULTS:

Place: Official Notice Board, Rally HQ, Time: 18:00 hrs Sunday October 2nd, 2011

PRIZE-GIVING: Place: Finish Podium Time: 16:00 hrs Sunday October 2nd, 2011

OFFICIAL NOTICE BOARD: Place: Rally HQ Date: From September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2010 until Rally end

RALLY HEADQUARTERS: Place: Hotel Umubano I Telephone: (+250 788309330)

PRESS ROOMS: Place: Rally HQ Times: Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 to Sunday October 2nd, 2011

# 2.3 Critical Competitor Deadlines

Date	Time	Activity
Sunday September 18 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	24:00 Hrs	Closing of Entries
Saturday September 23 <sup>rd</sup> , 2011	18:00 Hrs	Co – Driver Details Entry Forms
Saturday September 27 <sup>th</sup> to Sunday September 28 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	06:00 Hrs - 20:00 Hrs	Reconnaissance for Local Crew
Wednesday June 02 <sup>nd</sup> to Thursday May 03 <sup>rd</sup> , 2010	06:00 Hrs - 20:00 Hrs	Reconnaissance for Foreign Crew
Friday September 30th, 2011	07:00 Hrs	Administrative Checks
Thursdays September 29 <sup>th</sup> , 2011	14:00 Hrs	Scrutineering.
Friday September 30th, 2011	13:00 Hrs	Start of Rally
Sunday October 2nd, 2011	16:00 Hrs	Finish of Rally & Prize Giving

# 3.0 COMPETITORS ARRANGEMENTS: 'PRE-EVENT'

#### 3.1 Entry Details

Potential entrants for this rally must send an entry form duly completed to:

The Secretariat KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally P. O. Box 2568, Kigali, Rwanda Tel: +250 788 30 93 30 (Organization committee's secretary) Tel: +250 788 69 52 52 (C.R.O.) Email: info@motorsportrwanda.com

The entry form together with the entry fee must reach the organiser at the latest on: Closing date: Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2010 at 24:00 Hrs.

Details concerning the co-driver can be sent up to 18:00 Hrs Saturday May  $23^{rd}$ , 2011.

If the entry is sent by Fax, the original must reach the organiser at the latest one week after close of entries.

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Entry fees can be paid either in Rwanda Francs or the equivalent rate in any convertible currency (1 US = approx. FRW. 600). Payment may be made in cash.

Sum of entry fees (non manufacturers) is as follows:

With the organiser's optional advertising, full payment before 23:00hrs Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup>, 2011:

#### Entry Fee: US \$ 200.00 Late Entry Fees: + 20%

Without the organiser's optional advertising an additional amount to US \$ 400.00 must be paid.

#### The entry fees specified above include: -

- Rally Car Plates
- Two Service Car Stickers
- One set of unofficial Pace Notes
- One set of Road Books
- One set of Service Books
- Four Service Personnel Passes

#### 3.2 Competitor Assistance

For international entrants, organizers are negotiating for the following concessions:

- Free Entry (Confirmed)
- **Fuel** At the time of going to press, negotiations with a potential fuel sponsor had not been concluded. This information will be released to foreign competitors as soon as it is available.
- Accommodation At the time of going to press, negotiations with the rally hotel, Hotel Umubano Hotel, were ongoing. Special rates will be offered to all participants during the event. Information on these rates will be relayed to all participants as soon as it is available.

# Details of other hotels in the environs of Kigali will be available on this page at a later date.

#### **3.3 Vehicle Eligibility**

African Rally Championship events are reserved for the following groups and classes of cars:

#### **Production cars (Group N):**

- Class N2 Over 1400 cc up to and including 1600 cc
- Class N3 Over 1600 cc up to and including 2000 cc
- Class N4 Over 2000 cc

#### Touring Cars (Group A):

Class A5	Up to and including 1400 cc
Class A6	Over 1400 cc up to and including 1600 cc
Class A7	Over 1600 cc up to and including 2000 cc

#### Super 2000 Cars

Cars homologated as kit cars where the capacity is between 1400 and 1600cc may be accepted if they also comply with Article 255 - 6.2 "Weight" of Appendix J.

Two wheel drive cars equipped with a supercharged diesel engine with a nominal cylinder capacity of less than 2000cc are accepted in Groups A and N. Turbo restrictors and weights as currently valid in Group N of Appendix J (33 mm restrictors)

#### World Rally Cars are not authorized.

#### **GROUP S CARS (NON – HOMOLOGATED CARS):** are authorized.

The Stewards may, for reasons of safety, seed all drivers including FIA seeded drivers.

#### 3.4 Vehicles and Parts Importation

All vehicles and spare parts, temporarily imported into Rwanda must be guaranteed against import duty and taxes. There are three ways in which this can be done:

#### i) AIT/FIA Carnet de Passage

This document allows the temporary importation of a vehicle and any spare parts declared on related documents. Guarantees the payment of import duties and taxes on the vehicle or spare parts, should you not re-export them. It is the most convenient way of temporarily importing a vehicle and spare parts.

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The original carnet and related documents must be presented to Customs at the port of entry and again at the port of exit.

The Carnet de Passage is obtainable from your local ASN.

#### ii) Insurance Bond

This involves the execution of a customs bond with an insurance company. The Commissioner of Custom calculates the duty and taxes payable on the vehicle and spares parts. The importer pays a percentage of the duty and taxes payable, as a premium, to an insurance company, which thus becomes the guarantor.

The original bond must be presented to Customs at the point of exit, where it will be cancelled on re-exportation of the vehicle and spare parts.

#### iii) Cash Deposit

This involves the deposit of an amount of money, equivalent to the import duty and taxes payable on the vehicle and spare parts, which is refundable on re-exportation of the vehicle and spare parts.

This method is not only very expensive, but also very time consuming.

#### 3.5 Radio Licencing (VHF, 2 Ways)

It is illegal to operate any radio communication in Rwanda without radio licence. The process of obtaining a license from the Rwanda Communications Commission is very tedious, and it is advised that crews requiring a team channel to utilize one of the mobile phone companies' services.

#### 3.6 Medical Cards

It is a FIA requirement that all competitors (drivers and co-drivers must be in possession of a valid medical card. This can be obtained from your local ASN. A Medical Certificate of Aptitude is incorporated in the medical card.

A card is valid for five years but needs to be stamped annually after a medical examination, by a certified medical practitioner in your country.

This card must be surrendered to the Chief Medical Officer at the start of the RMGR 2008 and will be returned to you at the finish, on retirement or exclusion from the event. Should you have met with an accident during a previous event, the Chief Medical Officer of that event should have filled in the relevant part of the medical card. Should you have sustained an incapacitating injury during this previous event, you will need another medical examination before you are allowed to participate in the RMGR 2008. Your local ASN approved Medical Practitioner or any licensed Medical Practitioner in Rwanda should conduct this examination.

#### 3.7 Personal Accident Insurance

Personal Accident Insurance is not mandatory for this event, but can be obtained from the following place:

PHOENIX Insurances COGEAR Insurance Company CORAR Insurance Company SONARWA SORAS

#### **3.8 Servicing Arrangements**

There is one per Service Park per leg, which will be indicated in the Road Book and the Service Notes. Access will be by tarmac (asphalt) roads.

All service and auxiliary vehicles need plates to gain entry into the Service Park. **The entry fees include two stickers for service cars.** Additional Auxiliary Plates may be applied for from the Rally office.

For non-manufacturers, only two vehicles, either service or auxiliary, for each competing car, may be allowed to remain in the Service Park at any given time.

Any additional vehicles, either service or auxiliary are allowed entry into to Service Park either to drop spares or Service Personnel at the service site and must exit promptly after that.

There are several competent outfits that will help with servicing arrangements, who the organiser will help contact on behalf of the competitor.

#### 3.9 Fuel

Competitors who would like to obtain AVGAS should place their booking with the Rally Secretariat as soon as possible. At the time of this document, One 200 litre drum of Avgas cost approximately US \$ 900.

#### 3.10 Tobacco Advertising

There are restrictions on tobacco advertising in Rwanda at the time of publication of this Rally Guide.

#### 3.11 Prize Giving

The Prize Giving ceremony will be held on Sunday October 2nd, 2011 on the finish podium.

#### **3.12** Corporate Hospitality

Corporate hospitality, for both organisers' and competitor: sponsors, is available at the Service Parks for all the legs.

## 4.0 COMPETITORS ARRANGEMENTS: 'EVENT'

## 4.1 Secretariat

The secretariat will be at the Rally Hotel during the running of the event and will be open at the following times:

- Sunday September 18<sup>th</sup> to Friday September 30th, 2011- 07:00 to 20:00 Hrs

- Saturday October 01<sup>st</sup>, 2011 - 07:00 to 20:00 Hrs

- Sunday October 2nd, 2011- 06:30 to 19:00 Hrs

The following people will be available at the secretariat:

- Mr. Christian GAKWAYA Event Coordinator (+250 788 30 93 30)
- Mr. Fabrice Semana CRO (+250 788 69 52 52)

## 4.2 Practice (Testing and Shakedown)

There will be no official shakedown for the RMGR 2011. However, as part of the rally, Leg 1A will comprise of a Super Special (Spectator) Stage.

#### 4.3 Reconnaissance Arrangements

Competitors wishing to carry out Reconnaissance must register with the Rally Secretariat. Reconnaissance is limited to two passages per crew.

Reconnaissance, for all crews will be as follows:

- Local Crews Saturday September 24<sup>th</sup> and Sunday September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2011.
- Foreign Crews Wednesday September 28<sup>th</sup> and Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011.

Road books and unofficial pace notes will be available as from Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 at 17:00 Hrs onwards at the Rally HQ.

The organiser can help in sourcing vehicles for hiring, suitable for reconnaissance, at reasonable rates.

#### 4.4 Reconnaissance Accommodation

Accommodation during Reconnaissance – N/A. The route is accessible from Kigali within a day. The whole route can also be recced within 1 day.

# 4.5 Media Publicity

The RMGR is usually well covered by the media. The event will feature in the local media regularly for the three months prior to its running. There are three leading English daily newspapers, in addition to numerous periodicals that cover the event. Rwanda has a number of FM stations with vibrant sports programmes that usually give motor sport a lot of airtime. Talks are under way with the title sponsor for the event to be covered on the pay to channel, DSTV's Super Sport's **'Sports Hour'.** 

In 2009 Rwanda TV produced a 45 minutes documentary on 'KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally.

The pressroom will be situated at the Rally Hotel (Umubano Hotel-Ex Laico) from Thursday September 29th, 2011, for the duration of the event. There will be press media liaison officer who will send information back to Headquarters during the event. If requested, please assist the media regarding newsworthy items concerning your performance.

There will be an official result service at service parks, which will be updated regularly.

# 4.6 Turbo and Spares Sealing

The sealing of the turbo (compressor) and the transmission gear mounted in the car will be carried out prior to scrutineering. In addition, spare turbos equaling the number of legs (two), a spare set of differentials and a spare Gearbox, will also be sealed, at the same time. Details will be announced later.

# 4.7 Competitors Briefing

Competitors (drivers) briefing will be held at the Rally hotel on Thursday September 29th, 2011. Time to be announced later.

This is an important briefing because any changes noted in the road books or unofficial pace notes, as far as changing road conditions are concerned, will be communicated to the drivers.

# 4.8 Documentation

Please note that correctly filling in an entry form includes filling in details of the competitor's past rally career. This information is essential for a write up in the Official Programme and the Media book.

In addition, the correct entry fees need to be paid up in full before documentation can begin.

Documentation, at Rally HQ, will be from Tuesday September 27<sup>th</sup> 2011, until Thursday September 29<sup>th</sup>, 2011 between 09:00 – 18:00 Hrs.

At documentation, the following will be checked:

- Correctly filled and fully paid up entry forms (for international entrants, a stamp on the entry form, or letter from his / her ASN, permitting participation in this event).
- A valid competition and road licence
- A valid FIA Medical card, with a certificate of Aptitude.
- Valid third party insurance for duration of the event.
- A correctly filled in Service registration form.

After verification of the above, the following will be handed out:

- Competition numbers and plates and any sponsor stickers.
- 2 Service Stickers per Crew.

The Road books, Service books and the unofficial pace notes can be collected from Rally HQ from Friday September 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011, provided correctly filled in entry form along with the correct entry fee have been submitted.

# 4.9 Scrutineering

Venue	ТВА
Date	Thursday September 29th, 2011
Time	14:00 Hrs - 17:00 Hrs

**Note** Any lateness will be penalised 15.000 FRW per minute up to a maximum of 60 minutes. Lateness more than 60 minutes may be penalised, at the discretion of the stewards, by exclusion.

## 5.0 GENERAL

#### 5.1 Facts about Rwanda

Please check the 'General Services' section for more details

- **Airport** Rwanda has one International airport Kigali International Airport, which is twenty minutes drive from the city centre.
- **Capital** Rwanda's capital is Kigali, around which the rally is based, with a day time population of up to 1 million.
- **Car Hire** There are good local car hire firms that have offices in Kigali. Rates depend on the distance travelled and the type of car.
- **Climate** Rwanda has a mild climate. Daytime temperatures rarely go above 30 degrees (Celsius) and the nights are pleasantly cool. Rwanda straddles the equator; therefore the area through which the rally will be run will not cause any undue stress to the competitors
- **Communication** There are both networks of a telephone system, landline and cellular, covering the whole country. In addition **three** digital cellular networks cover most parts of Kigali. International fax, telephone, Internet and Email services can be found in most towns around the country
- **Credit Cards** Most international credit cards are accepted in the major hotels and restaurants, as are traveler's cheques.
- **Currency** Rwanda's currency is the Rwandan Franc (Denominations of FRW. are 10/=, 20/=, 50/=, 100/=, (coins) 500/=, 1,000/=, 2,000/=, 5,000/= (notes). Banks operate form 08:00 Hrs to 17:00 Hrs on weekdays, and from 09:00 Hrs to 12:00 Hrs on weekends. Money and exchange services are also available through the foreign exchange bureau, which are prevalent in the city. For U.S. currency be aware that notes printed before 2006 are not accepted in most forex bureau or exchanged on a lower rate.
- **Health** Due to malaria in Rwanda, visitors are advised to begin anti-malaria prophylaxis a week before arriving in the country and continue for four weeks after they've left. Efficient private hospital care, clinics, chemists, air rescue services etc. exist in Kigali.

- **Immigration** Most passports require a visa for Rwanda. Information as to whether Visas are required should be sought from the nearest Rwanda Tourist Office. Visas are obtainable at Kigali International Airport for a fee (presently \$60.00 single entry for 30 days).
- Language Kinyarwanda and English are the official languages, while Kiswahili and French are the other widely spoken languages.
- **Restaurants** The capital city Kigali has a wide selection of eating places, offering most international cuisine.

There are several restaurants, which, in addition to an excellent meal, lay on extra entertainment with an African theme. Most cafes have an Internet 'hotspot'.

## Functions (Social Activities)

Kigali has several sport center of high standard. In addition there are theatres that stage local and international plays music festivals etc. on a regular basis.

The daily newspapers have an entertainment section that lists the social activities for that particular day.

- **Security** a hundred per cent sure place
- **Time Zone** Rwanda is 2 hours ahead of Greenwich Meridian Time (GMT + 2).
- **Transport** Taxis are easily available and should be used where possible. Matatus are the common means of transport. Motorcycle taxis are also available, though this means of transport is not recommended.
- **Voltage** Rwanda's electricity grid is 220 240 volts AC, with a two round-pin plug system. However adaptors will help you where not applicable.
- Water Bottled water is available in all hotels and supermarkets. Always drink either filtered tap water or bottled mineral water.

#### 5.2 Driving In Rwanda

#### Please Read This Section Carefully

Driving in Rwanda is on the right side of the road. Consequently most cars are left hand drive. Overtaking is only on the left side

Please give way to pedestrians on the zebra crossings. Drive safely by observing **traffic signs, speed limits** and by wearing **safety belts.** Talking on a mobile phone (without a hands free gadget) while driving is a serious offence.

All residential, business and industrial areas and areas having streetlights (built up areas), have a speed limit of **40kph.** In some areas, road signs indicate varying speed limits. Elsewhere, the speed limit is **60kph.** 

It is an offence to drink and drive in Rwanda, and if caught, a stiff fine or imprisonment can result.

**Beware of potholes and broken roadsides.** Vehicles may come onto your side of the road while over-taking or avoiding a pothole: Most accidents involve buses, lorries and mini buses (matatus).

There are emergency breakdown services available in most places in Rwanda. **Beware of roadside mechanics if your car does break down.** 

#### 5.3 Important Information

#### Emergency Service Telephone

Ambulance	112
Fire Brigade	112
Road Accident	113
Central Police Station Kigali	0788311112

#### 5.4 Consular Services

#### **1 AFRIQUE DU SUD (République de l'Afrique du Sud)**

Boulevard de l'Umuganda Kacyiru Sud Kigali Téléphone: (00250) 583185

#### 1. Allemagne (République Fédérale d'Allemagne)

10, Avenue Paul VI B.P 355 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 57 52 22/252 57 51 41 E-mail: <u>info@diplo.de</u>

# 2. Belgique (Ambassade du Royaume de Belgique)

Rue Nyarugenge B.P 81 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 57 55 51/52/53/54 Fax: (00250) 252 57 39 95 E-mail: <u>kigali@diplobel.be</u> <u>www.diplomatie.be/kigali</u>

## 3. Burundi (République du Burundi)

726 Boulevard de l'Umuganda Tél: (00250) 252 58 79 40 – 252 58 79 43 – 252 58 79 44 Fax: (00250) 252 58 79 42 E-mail: <u>ambabukgl1@yahoo.fr</u>

## 4. CANADA (bureau de l'Ambassade du Canada à Kigali)

1534, Rue de l'Akagera B.P 1177 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 57 32 10 – 252 57 32 78 – 252 57 37 87 Fax: (00250) 252 57 27 19 E-mail: <u>kgali@international.gc.ca</u>

# 5. CHINE (République Populaire de Chine)

Ambassade de la République Populaire de Chine 44, Boulevard de la Révolution B.P 1345 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 57 08 43 / 252 57 08 45 Fax: (00250) 252 57 0848 E-mail: <u>hinaemb\_rw@mfa.gov.cn</u> <u>www.rw.chineseembassy.org</u>

# 6. EGYPTE (République Arabe d'Egypte)

Avenue de l'Umuganda, Kacyiru B.P 6073 Kigali Tél: (00250) 58 79 56 Fax: (00250) 252 58 75 10 E-mail: <u>egypt@rwanda1.com</u>

# 7. ETATS-UNIS D'AMERIQUE

Avenue de la Gendarmerie, Kacyiru B.P 28 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 59 64 00 Fax: (00250) 252 59 65 91

# 8. FRANCE (Ambassade de la République Française)

14, Rue Député Kamuzinzi Kigali Tél (00250) 252 55 18 05

# 9. GRANDE BRETAGNE (Royaume – Uni de Grande Bretagne et d'Irlande du Nord)

Parcelle N° 1131, Boulevard de l'Umuganda B.P 576 Kigali Tél (00250) 252 58 40 98 / 252 58 57 71 Fax: (00250) 252 58 20 44 E-mail: <u>embassy.kigali@fco.gov.uk</u>

# 10. KENYA (République du Kenya)

1716 Boulevard de l'Umuganda B.P 6159 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 58 33 32-6 Fax: (00250) 252 51 0910 E-mail: <u>info@kenemb.rw</u> <u>www.kenemb.org.rw</u>

# 11. PAYS BAS (Royaume des Pays Bas)

Boulevard de l'Umuganda, Kacyiru Tél: (00250) 51 0604 Fax: (00250) 252 58 45 03 E-mail: <u>kig@minbuza.nl</u> www.mfa.nl/kig

# 12. TANZANIE (République Unie de Tanzanie)

Parcelle n° 5332 Avenue de Nyarutarama B.P 3973 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 50 54 00 Fax: (00250) 252 505402 E-mail: <u>tanzarep@tanzarep.gov.rw</u>

# 13. UGANDA

Parcelle n°31, Avenue de la Paix, Kiyovu B.P 656 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 50 35 37/8 Fax: (00250) 252 50 35 37 www.ugandaembassy.rw

# 14. UNION EUROPEENNE (Délégation de l'Union Européenne)

1807 Immeuble Aurore Boulevard de l'Umuganda Kacyiru B.P 515 Kigali Tél: (00250) 252 58 57 39/40/41 Fax: (00250) 252 58 57 36

# 5.5 General Services

RWANDA AUTOMOBILE CLUB

#### Banks

Kenya Commercial Bank Bank of Kigali Rwanda commercial Bank Ecobank Acces Bank Banque populaire du Rwanda Fina Bank

# **Mobile Telephony**

MTN - Tel: 456

**TIGO** - +250 722 123 000

# **NOTE:** Local Sim Cards can be obtained for the equivalent of less than US \$ 2

Secretariat Services - Business Centres are found in most Hotels.

#### Restaurants

Belgicain - Le Cactus, Avenue Paul VI
Chinese - Flamingo/Kimihurura
Dolce Bar & Restaurant/ Kiyovu
Ethiopian - Lalibela, opposite Amahoro stadium
French - Restaurant SELECT/Kacyiru
Greek - Restaurant HELLENIQUE/Kimihurura
Indian - Indian Khazana/Kiyovu
.Italian - Sole Luna

# Others : ZEN, SELECT BOUTIQUE, DOLCE, LA CLASSE RESTAURANT

#### 5.6 Medical Services

In case of an emergency, please call the KCB RWANDA MOUNTAIN GORILLA RALLY 2011 offices for the Chief Medical Officer. If unavailable, (or outside office hours), please check the relevant information below.

Hospital rates vary, with fair to good service. It is advisable to check with the Rally Chief medical Officer.

All Hotel Reception desks have a good, private practitioner on call, who will administer out patient treatment and arrange hospital or consultant services when required.

	Hospitals	<u>Telephone</u>
	King Fayçal Hospital CHUK Muhima Hospital Musanze Hospital/Ruhengeri town Gicumbi Hospital	3939 025257555 0788300058 T/A T/A
5.7	Vehicle Services	
	<b>Batteries</b> CPQ	0788306631
	<b>Repairs</b> Akagera Motors	0788836164
	<b>Tyre Dealers</b> Quick Auto	0788526668

# 5.8 2010 FIA African Rally Championship Calendar

11-13/03/2011	Toyota Zimbabwe Challenge Rally	Zimbabwe
		South
15-17/04/2011	Sasol Rally South Africa	Africa
20-22/05/2011	Zambia International Rally	Zambia
17-19/06/2011	KCB Safari Rally Kenya	Kenya
15-17/07/2011	KCB Pearl of Africa Uganda Rally	Uganda
02-04/09/2011	Kobil Rally of Tanzania	Tanzania
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02/10/2011	10th KCB Rwanda Mountain Gorilla Rally	Rwanda
25-27/11/2011	Total Rally International Madagascar	Madagascar