

## 57 Adventures (& TSD) Road Rally General Instructions

This Champaign County Sports Car Club (CCSCC) *Time/Speed/Distance (TSD)*, and/or *Adventure* (see page 4), *road rally* has no intentional *route following* or *timing traps*. Jerry White (217 390-7851) is the *rallymaster*. Although you may at first find these *General Instructions* daunting some of their content is just an attempt to say precisely how some non-rallyists might run a rally if they hadn't read its *General Instructions*. The rest of their content is needed to nail specifics down so there is no ambiguity as to how to run this *rally*.

Note that many *terms* (all words that aren't names or sign-content) are italicized in these *General Instructions* (but won't be italicized or underlined in the other *rally materials*). The italicized *terms* assume a specific meaning when they are used on this *rally*. The underlined italicized *terms* are defined in the glossary that starts on page 3. The rally specific meanings of the italicized *terms* that aren't underlined can usually be figured out from their context somewhere in this document or upon reflection. Use all other *terms* as commonly understood. Ignore any misspelling of *terms*.

The *TSD classes* available are:

Novice = if every person in the vehicle has participated in less than about six to nine *rallies*  
*Seat of Pants (SOP)* = if only paper, pencil and a stock odometer will be used for any calculations, and  
*Navigational* = open to everyone.

The *rallymaster* may reclassify *TSD* teams prior to their *starting time*.

### Schedule:

9:00am *register at* Illini Nissan, 615 W. Marketview Dr., Champaign, IL (northeast of I-74 Exit 181).  
Certify there that driver eligibility, vehicle condition, insurance limit and owner permission requirements are met.  
9:45am mandatory *Safety Meeting*  
10:01am *car 1 starts* (10:02am *car 2 starts*, etc.)  
~3:00pm *first car finishes*.

**Participation** in this *road rally* constitutes acceptance of:

1. these *General Instructions (GIs)* and any *Addenda* to them
2. the *CCSCC Motor Sports Code* and *Rally Code* (out of which the key parts are covered herein) as amended herein
3. the *Route Instructions (RIs)* available at registration
4. all *Special Instructions (SIs)*. These include all *checkpoint-slip* information about the next leg and all last minute information displayed or given orally by *officials* or posted along the *rally route*.


### Priorities:

1. Do each *Special Instruction (SI)* at its intended location(s).
- 2.a. Starting with *Route Instruction (RI)* 1 do the *RIs* in printed order without overlaps except for *zone* times (i.e. the time to do the Odometer Comparison Zone overlaps all the *RIs* included within the OCZ), and  
b. do or start (whichever is applicable) each *RI part* (each *part* ends with a period):
  - i. at its *official mileage (OM)*, if one is given in the left margin of the *RI* or within the *RI part*, otherwise
  - ii. the first time all *GI* and *RI* givens, even *part* order if no other order is stated, fit. **If** the *RI* is a *route taking act* (e.g. 'right' or 'left' but not 'CAST 25 at stop', etc.) then the givens include doing the *act* onto
    - a) an open-road, **unless** the *RI* says different (e.g. ignore "DEAD END"), **and** doing the *act* onto
    - b) a road that is not redundant with *priority 3* **unless** the *RI part* includes '(may be redundant)'.
3. Where an *RI* or *SI* doesn't apply follow the *Gets Us Thru (GUT) road*. It is **the open-road that is:**
  - a. the U-turn at a dead end
  - b. the only non-U-turn open-road leaving the intersection
  - c. at ramps and one-way-curveroad split-offs, the road-you-were-put/getting-on's open continuation, if one
  - d. at multiple-open-road 'ergeroads, the most-ahead (e.g. least-curved) open-road, if one

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- e. at roundabouts, the circle road
  - f. at multiple-open-road sideroads, the least-turn open-road
  - g. at multiple-open-road crossroads and slant-Ts, the directest ahead open-road
  - h. at other multiple-open-road crossroads, Ts and Ys, the open-road needing a 40°<sup>1</sup>-or-more smaller turn from directly ahead than any other (e.g. for a Y 10°<sup>1</sup> vs. 50°<sup>1</sup>; for a T 50°<sup>1</sup> vs 90°<sup>1</sup>; for a crossroad 60°<sup>1</sup> vs. 100°<sup>1</sup>), if one.
4. If no GI, RI or SI fits at an intersection and there is no GUT road (e.g. a T) you are lost. Go back the way you got to there and try again.

**Signs** (*objects* that inform, usually with words) **and other objects**: A called for *object* (e.g. road, tree, sign) will be visible from the rally route at or after 1. the calling SI's debut or 2. the end point of the RI before the calling RI.

1. Use an *object* only if it is:
  - a. defined or otherwise identifiable per these GIs, an RI or an SI. or
  - b. called the given name (e.g. J) per a sign, or
  - c. a quoted sign (e.g. "J"), or
  - d. commonly understood as the *object* depicted (e.g. ) or called for, or a sign says so (e.g. "BRIDGE").
2. Signs
  - a. Ignore house number, mailbox, utility or on-pavement signs.
  - b. Use a sign as it stands (e.g. turned 90°).
  - c. Except when determining protection by using sign shape from behind (e.g. octagonal for a "STOP" sign) use only signs facing you (including parallel or angled ones).
  - d. Treat related (e.g. same post) signs as one sign (e.g. "JCT J").
  - e. Use a sign for its name or quote (usually with all the letters in capitals in the rally materials) only if:
    - i. any main sign word or adjacent ones in top-down or talking order make it up, **and**
    - ii. in its word(s) every character (e.g. A-Z, 0-9, !, ., -, ') and symbol about in sign order **but**
  - f. for e.i. and e.ii. above **ignore**:
    - i. un-given symbols, and
    - ii. stand-alone dashes and non-hyphen punctuation, and
    - iii. symbol size and trivial inexactness, and
    - iv. font/case, and
    - v. ROAD, AVE, E, etc. per pg. 2's name definition, and
    - vi. weathering/defacing, and
    - vii. sign, word and character rotation not affecting meaning (e.g. ? = ¿; but ∟ is not ⊥, ↑ is not ↓).

**Safety is paramount!** To request a **Time Adjustment (TA)** for a leg for any reason(s) (e.g. safety delay, flat, off route, train, new out-time adopted) submit a TA (from pg. 5 or a checkpoint-slip) for the leg before getting its end checkpoint-slip. If delayed 5 minutes or more call the rallymaster in case checkpoints can be kept out for you.

**Checkpoint Procedure:** Unless instructed otherwise, at a checkpoint (CP) you must:

1. Pull past the sign and park on the navigator-side of the road
2. One member of the team must proceed on foot, in arrival order, to the CP crew and
  - a. report the team's car number,
  - b. turn in a TA if applicable before seeing the leg's checkpoint-slip,
  - c. obtain a checkpoint-slip and **look it over**. Depending on the situation it may indicate:
    - i. your in-time (clear up errors ASAP),
    - ii. the official leg-time for the leg that just ended,
    - iii. a next leg out-time for scoring purposes (you don't have to leave on your out-time but...),
    - iv. an out-point (OP) (which must be shared) to zero your odo at, etc.,

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- v. a departure *CAST*,
- vi. the number of the *RI* to do next and any already seen clues,
- vii. an *oops-distance* within which the next *checkpoint* will occur; and
- ix. other information and *Special Instructions (SIs)*.

**Timing** will be based on the official *clock at registration*. Set your timing device showing seconds (or *hundredths*) to it or adapt as applicable. See page 5 for the *Adventure Class* scoring rules. **TSD scoring:**

1. 1 point for each .01 minute early or late, up to 100, to a *checkpoint*, even a missed one<sup>2</sup>. You can't make up for being early or late *at* one *checkpoint* by being the opposite *at* another *checkpoint*.
2. Penalties that are assessed per the discretion of *rally officials*:
  - a. 100 points for unjustified stopping or *creeping* (going less than 10 MPH) in sight of a *CP*
  - b. 100 points up to disqualification for reckless or illegal driving (ticketed or not), unsportsmanlike conduct or interfering with *rally* operation.

### Glossary:

**after** Further along the *rally route* than the point where you do the specified *act* or leave behind the *object*.

**at** Appropriately near (e.g. closest to) the location. See *CAST*, *intersection* and *pause* for details for them.

**CAST** Using the first rule that fits, commence, continue or *Change Average Speed To* the given number in miles per hour when your *navigator-side* front tire is *at* (closest to the leading edge of):

1. the specified *official mileage*,
2. the *object* given:
  - a. to do it *at*
  - b. in the most related '*at*' *instruction part* if the *object* isn't beyond the *part's* execution point
3. the *intersection's*:
  - a. '*erge-point* for '*ergeroads*
  - b. first 'applicable to you':
    - i. 'stop'-line
    - ii. *protection sign*
    - iii. *signal light*
  - c. *start*.

Continue to do the new *average speed* until the next *checkpoint*, *transit zone* or *CAST*.

**checkpoint (CP)** A "✓." *sign* (see example *at registration*) you pass. Your *in-time* is when a front tire goes by it.

**crossroad** A no-*ergeroad road*-pair with one to each side from a more directly ahead *road at an intersection*.

**'ergeroad** 1. **Ramp** – A one lane *merge* or *diverge road* (e.g. *on-ramp*). 2. **Curveroad** – A curved multilane *diverge/merge road*. Either's acute travel-surface-edge union is an '*erge-point* and *join line* begin or end.

**intersection** A *road join line* or *area* including any 1.5<sup>1</sup>-*road*-widths or less away (e.g. small *3-cornered-island*, offset *crossroad*). Any connectors aren't stand alone *roads* except *at roundabouts* where every entrance/exit is an *intersection*. Intersecting *on/off-ramps* (e.g. for *cloverleafs*) are two *intersections*. Judge every *intersection* by its main/central features (e.g. center lines, main lanes) *at* (within) the *intersection*. On each visit do the one applicable *route taking act* (e.g. *GUT*, *left*, *turn*) using the shortest compliant normal path.

**left / right** In accord with *priority* 1 or 2 on pg. 1 take the applicable *road* to the given side *at* an *intersection*.

**leg** A *rally* section from an *out-point* (a "✓." *sign* location or *RI* for some missed *CPs*)<sup>2</sup> to the next *CP*.

**name** An *object's* full or partial title as given via a *word*, or adjacent *words*, by a *sign* or *SI*. Ignore added, incorrect or missing ROAD, RD, TRAIL, AV, EAST, N, E, etc. descriptors in given or quoted *road names*.

**odometer comparison zone (OCZ)** A *transit zone* for comparing your odometer (*odo*) to the *rallymaster's* (which measures 10.000 miles in 10 miles). Its *out-point* and *Odometer Comparison Point (OCP)* are in the *RIs*.

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**opportunity** 1. An open-road the *act* specified could be done onto: a. that isn't redundant with the *GUT road*; or b. and 'may be redundant' is stated. 2. A specific non-open-road when instructed to ignore why it's a non-open-road.

**out-point (OP)** A starting place per an *SI* (usually on a *checkpoint-slip*) or *RI*. Zero (0.000) your odometer.

**pause** Delay in minutes the specified time at (the first place you safely can near or after) the specified location.

**open-road** At a dead end or intersection: 1. a *type 1 road*; 2. a *type 2 road* you may legally leave on that, within sight that way, isn't: *dead ended*; barricaded; dirt and/or grass; or posted with a *sign* saying in full or part any of the following: DEAD END, NO OUTLET, ROAD CLOSED, ROAD ENDS

**protected road** A road protected at an intersection by one or more octagonal (Stop) or triangular (Yield) *signs*.

**road** 1. A *car* access or parking lot that's specifically called for by name or description in a *GI*, *RI* or *SI*. 2. A public *car*-travel-surface 1.5<sup>1</sup> road-widths or more long from and/or to an intersection or dead end.

**roundabout** A circular road around a *traffic-island*. Circle a roundabout uninstructed. Each exit is a sideroad.

**sideroad** 1. A roundabout exit. 2. A road that isn't: most ahead; an 'ergeroad'; or a T, Y or crossroad road.

**stop** or **STOP** An intersection your vehicle faces that is protected by an octagonal (e.g. "STOP") *sign* facing you.

**straight** In accord with *priority* 1 or 2 on page 1 take the most-ahead road at a cross-, 'erge- or side- road.

**T** A road-pair terminating a non-merge intersection for you like a T's top. **Slant-T** A 10-70°<sup>1</sup> and 110-170° turn pair (e.g. ↘). Other Ts have a road 45-170°<sup>1</sup> from directly ahead and one 70-170° (e.g. ⤴, ⤵, ⤶).

**traffic light** An intersection your vehicle faces that has *signal lights* with three (3) lamp colors, operating or not.

**transit zone (TZ)** A checkpoint free section with no prescribed speed. A transit or *end*-restart time will be given.

**U-turn** In accord with *priority* 1 or 2 on page 1 turn 180° at an intersection or dead end to start retracing a road.

**word** A stand-apart: symbol (e.g. +, ↑, ↔); *character*; or a group of them and any embedded hyphens (e.g. A-1, 4-WAY, AVE, RXR). For rural-grid road-names the number to letter spacing is irrelevant (i.e. 100, 100 E, 100E, and E are all words from a 100E or a 100 E *sign*). Other words won't be joined (e.g. FIR ST to FIRST), split (e.g. FIRST to FIR ST), expanded (e.g. IL to ILL), or shortened (e.g. ILL to IL; 100 to 10).

**Y** A road-pair terminating an intersection for you like a capital Y's top. Either: 1. non-'ergeroads to opposite sides of directly ahead with each a more-than-10<sup>1</sup>-but-less-than-70° turn or 2. diverging 'ergeroads.

### Additional General Instructions for the Adventure Class:

1. Everything up to here, except the *TSD classes* and *TSD scoring* rules, applies to the *Adventure Class*.
3. You may participate in both the *Adventure Class* and a *TSD Class* simultaneously. Participation in the *Adventure Class* constitutes acceptance of the *Adventure Puzzles* and their *solutions*. If you are participating in the *Adventure Class* be sure to pick up a blank *Solution Sheet* at *registration*.
4. Each *Adventure Puzzle* becomes active upon arrival at the execution point of the *RI* before it and remains active through arrival at the execution point of the *RI* after it unless within the *Puzzle* it says that it ends at a different *RI*. When there are multiple active *puzzles* the *puzzles* may not be in the order that any *solutions* will be found. Only *solutions* based on *objects* and *sign-content* visible from the *rally route* will count as correct.
5. The number of *blanks* ("\_\_\_\_\_") within quotes in a *puzzle* indicates the number of words in the *solution*, but not their length. When a blank in a *puzzle* isn't within quotes *solutions* may include more than one word.
6. Immediately below each *puzzle* in the *RIs* is a list of possible *solutions*. Except for 'N/S' (No Solution) capitalized words, whether they are names or not, will be found as *sign-content*. Lowercase words are used for *objects*. Counts and math *puzzle solutions* are given as number choices.
7. Multiple correct *solutions* may exist for some *puzzles* (e.g. FIR and OAK for "\_\_\_\_\_ RD" [including "\_\_\_\_\_ ST" etc.], ROAD and RD for "FIR \_\_\_\_\_").
8. For some *puzzles* you will not find a *solution* other than the "N/S" choice that no other *solution* was found.

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9. On your *Solutions Sheet* make a check mark in the box beside the correct letter for each of your *solutions*.
10. The *solutions* to the *puzzles* that have *solutions* can be found while maintaining *rally speeds*.
11. Scoring will be done at the end (unless I get "by checkpoint" scoring procedures worked out before the rally).

### **12. Adventure Class Scoring:**

a. *Solution* 'penalties':

1 point for each incorrectly handled *solution* check box (i.e. ones unchecked when they should be checked and ones checked when they should be left unchecked.) Not turning in a *Solutions Sheet* or not putting your vehicle's number on a *Solutions Sheet* will be scored only as if no correct *solutions* were checked.

b. Timing penalties:

None for being up to 5.99 minutes off from your ideal *in-time* (*TA* adjusted if applicable) to a checkpoint.

1 point for each full minute over 5 minutes late, up to 5 points, to a checkpoint, even missed ones<sup>2</sup>.

5 points for being more than 5.99 minutes early at a checkpoint.

c. Penalties assessed per the discretion of *rally officials*:

5 points for unjustified stopping or *creeping* (going less than 10 miles per hour) in sight of a checkpoint.

5 points up to disqualification for reckless or illegal driving (ticketed or not), unsportsmanlike conduct or interfering with *rally* operation.

e. The total of the *solution*, *timing* and *discretionary 'penalties'* a team incurs for a leg is its leg score for the leg.

A team's score is the total of its leg scores. The team with the lowest score wins. If there is a tie the most legs won breaks it. If still tied the most lowest scores wins. If still tied most next lowest wins. Etc.

<sup>1</sup> Angles and road-width multiples were chosen to make road, intersection and route following determinations unambiguous.

<sup>2</sup> For a missed checkpoint your *ideal* or *adjusted in-time* or an assigned or *adopted out-time* may be used as a leg out-time.

←Detach here→-----← Detach here→

**Car Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Leg Number:** \_\_\_\_\_ **Time Adjustment (TA)**

Please adjust our time by \_\_\_\_\_ . \_\_\_\_\_ minutes. (Net '**slot**' **adjustments** to change your 'slot' for the leg to a different half minute or minute.) \_\_\_\_\_ Minutes . 00 or 50 (If delayed more than 5 minutes call the rallymaster to alert the checkpoints.)

As we entered the **checkpoint** we **delayed** exactly \_\_\_\_\_ hundredths-of-a-minute (usually less than 50) for safety reasons.

we **adopted** an  to

At \_\_\_\_\_ **out-time** of \_\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_\_ replace \_\_\_\_\_:\_\_\_\_\_.\_\_\_\_\_ to: \_\_\_\_\_  
 "Checkpoint X", "RI XX" (etc.) Hour : Minute . Hundredth Hour : Minute . Hundredth leave early, cut a transit (etc.)