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All teams registered for the 2024 Sasol Solar Challenge should take note of the following official amendments to the Sasol Solar Challenge Regulations. This includes all the relevant event documentation as approved by the Event Director, Robert Walker.

We hope this notice finds you well as you gear up for the highly anticipated 2024 Sasol Solar Challenge. We would like to share some important updates regarding the competition regulations, specifically with regard to the Marathon Stage and the overnight venue on Day 3 in Kuruman.

2.20. Special Stages

Marathon Stage

A Marathon Stage can be implemented on any given day stage during the on-road segment of the event. The event organisers carefully plan where the Marathon Stage will take place to ensure the safety of all participating teams and parties involved. The following key rules or instructions apply:

- Information regarding the Marathon Stage will be provided to the teams prior to the event with the wholistic compilation of the published Route Notes
- The following information will be known to all teams as published in the Route Notes
 - Location of the start line for the day's stage
 - Location of the control stop for the day's stage
 - Location of the finish line of the day's stage
 - Any information relating to the day's route
 - Any information relating to the day's loop
- Rules and instructions for the Marathon Stage
 - Teams will start the day's stage as per normal circumstances
 - Once teams cross the finish line solar cars are required to complete the mandatory 30min in parc fermé
 - Once the Clerk of the Course has opened parc fermé teams will be given 30min to assess their solar car (no solar car may be removed from the parc fermé area until the next morning)
 - After the conclusion of the 30min assessment time all team members will be required to exit the parc fermé area
 - Teams will be required to choose 3 (three) registered members that will be appointed to work on the solar car from the time that parc fermé reopens until 22H00 or such other time as indicated by the event organisers
 - The Team Manager of each team must communicate to the Clerk of the Course which 3 team members have been selected to work on the solar car



- Only the 3 selected team members of each team will be permitted within the parc fermé area to work on their team's solar car, these individuals will be provided with accreditation which will need to be presented to the Event Official manning the parc fermé entrance
- Any tools, gear or equipment of any kind that is required to work on the solar car must be brought in solely by the 3 accredited team members, no unaccredited team members may assist in this process nor may teams assist one another
- Tools, gear, or equipment may not be passed on over, under or through the parc fermé barriers by any team members or individuals (this includes lighting, any resources required to work on the solar car must be manned, managed, and operated solely by the accredited team members), all tools, gear, and equipment must pass through the parc fermé entrance under the scrutiny of the designated Event Official
- Teams may not set up their main workshop in close proximity to the parc fermé area (this excludes the workstation set up within the parc fermé area by the accredited team members), this will be monitored at the discretion of the event organisers
- Accredited team members may erect a structure over or around their solar car within the parameters of the parc fermé area within reason of other teams and their solar cars, this will be monitored at the discretion of the event organisers
- Parc fermé will be opened by the Clerk of the Course at 06H00 the following morning (1 hour before the day's start)
- Teams who require their solar car to be removed from the parc fermé area, for any reason whatsoever, before the permitted time will be penalised by docking 150km from their total distance

Teams who opt to not participate in the Marathon Stage will be penalised with a 30min time penalty.

Overnight Venue Day 3 – Kuruman

During Day 3 of the Challenge the finish line will be at Oasis Casino as per the route KML file. The overnight venue for this evening will be at another location – Red Sands Country Lodge, which is a camping ground. During Day 4 of the Challenge the start line will be at Oasis Casino as per the route KML file. Please ensure that your team prepares sufficient time to travel to and from the finish/start line venue. All start and finish times and procedures will remain as per the regulations and general event schedule unless otherwise determined by the event organisers.



For any questions or clarifications regarding the regulation amendments, feel free to reach out to our Project Admin, Sinenhlanhla Jali, at admin@solarevents.co.za

These amendments will supersede any previous regulations.



Event Director

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