



Event Rules & Regulations 2025



A. ADMINISTRATION

A1: This Charity Motoring Event is to be known as The Great Escape Oz, hereinafter called the event. The event shall be conducted under these rules and regulations. Additional rules and regulations may be issued at any time.

A2: The event will be conducted annually on public and private roads throughout various states of Australia.

A3: The event is owned and managed by 'The Great Escape Oz Car Rally Pty Ltd', with net funds being donated to 'Cure4 Cystic Fibrosis Foundation'.

A4: The Director of the event, hereinafter known as the 'Event Coordinator', will be:
Mal Boardman - PH 0428 866 091.

A5: The Event Coordinator may appoint an Assistant Event Coordinator of the event, at his own expense.

A6: The Secretary of the event will be appointed by the Event Coordinator.

A7: The Chief Scorer of the event will be appointed by the Event Coordinator.

A8: The Event Coordinator, Assistant Event Coordinator, Secretary, Chief Scorer and their nominees are collectively the 'Organisers'.

B. CREW INFORMATION

B1: Crews must consist of at least two people and not exceed the legal seating capacity of the vehicle being entered.

B2: Each crew member intending to drive must hold a valid driver's licence.

B3: Changes in crews and vehicles will be permitted prior to Check In. Thereafter changes can only occur with the permission of the Organisers.

B4: Public Liability insurance cover is included in the entry fee.

B5: The minimum age of any crew member should be at least 18 years of age or over for insurance reasons.

B6: Any person contemplating doing The Great Escape Oz should be of reasonable fitness and in good health.

C. ENTRY PROCEDURE

C1: Entries open following the completion of the previous year's rally and will close two weeks prior to the start or as per rule C2. All monies must be deposited into the:

Beyond Bank: A/C Name: The Great Escape Oz Car Rally
BSB: 325-185 A/C #: 04012739

C2: The number of entries may be restricted to 65. Any variation will be at the discretion of the organisers.

C3: The organisers reserve the right to refuse any entry and reasons may or may not be given.

C4: Entry entitlements following receipt of payments:

- All meals for each crew member, from the start dinner to the Presentation Function.
- A professional photo album of your vehicle per car.
- Identification badge for each crew member.
- Comprehensive route instructions for the entire course.
- Sweep/recovery service.

The deadline for payments is two weeks prior to commencement.

C5: Back Up crews must be a 4WD or a well prepared 2WD. All Back Up crews must be nominated on the official Back Up nomination form and are to abide by the rules and any other rules that may be issued.

C6: In the event of a major break down, every effort will be made to get your crew to the next town or safe haven. Should your vehicle be un-repairable, it will be the responsibility of the vehicle owner and/or crew to arrange suitable transport back to their place of residence. The organisers will assist where possible but assume no responsibility.

D. COST AND PROCEDURE

D1: All monies must be deposited into the Beyond Bank as per details in **C1**:

D2: The entry fee is \$900.00 (incl. GST) per car.

D3: Catering fee of \$750.00 (incl. GST) per crew member

D4: Minimum Fund-Raising Donation is \$2,750.00

D5: Upon receipt of the entry fee, fully completed and signed Disclaimer Form, an Authority to Fundraise will be issued.

NO FUNDRAISING IS TO BE CARRIED OUT UNTIL THE AUTHORITY TO FUNDRAISE LETTER HAS BEEN ISSUED

D6: Any entrant car registering a Back-Up Vehicle will also be subject to **D1**, **D2** and **D3**. Rules **B1** & **B2** also apply to Back Up crews.

D7: EXTRA CATERING: If a person is not staying for the full rally the meal charge is \$100.00 per day/per person (Incl. GST). If a person is swapping with others during the rally and they are registered as a replacement the cost will remain as in **D3**.

E. RUNNING INFORMATION

E1: The key destinations and overnight stops will be advised via the entry form. Registration and Check-In Details will be advised via a regular newsletter prior to the event.

E2: The official distance of the event will be just under 3,500 KLM, and there will be two types of road section categories, Transport and Wacko.

E3: There will be no time preset by the organisers for any stage. It is important to note that this is not a speed event, race or time trial and all road laws are to be strictly adhered to at all times with no exceptions (Refer Rule L1).

F: STARTING POSITIONS

F1: Will be arranged by fund raising order. The highest fundraiser in excess of **D4** (paid no later than 5.00 PM ONE WEEK PRIOR TO THE COMMENCEMENT OF THE RALLY) will be first car out.

F2: The ten highest fundraisers as at the beginning of the rally will be the first 10 cars to lead out on the finishing street parade.

G: COMPULSORY EQUIPMENT

- A Speedo or Trip Meter that reads to at least one tenth of a kilometre.
- Fire Extinguisher. Easily accessible, firmly mounted, of adequate size & tagged.
- 10 litres of drinking water.
- A Snatch Strap. (Not tow rope, winch strap or chain).
- A 4.7t rated D shackle.
- Mud Flaps of stout material for each driving wheel. (Mud flaps must be at least 100mm off ground when vehicle fully loaded).
- 20ltr legal fuel container. Must be full at the beginning of each day & safely stored.
- UHF radio. Fitted and in working order.
- An orange rotating light on the roof of the vehicle for use in dusty conditions. Must be unobstructed and easily visible from the front & rear.
- Sleeping gear for each crew member.
- Seat belts must be fitted to the vehicle for each crew member and worn at all times. Full harness seat belts are recommended.
- A securely mounted and clearly marked front and rear towing point. (For recovery out of bogs etc.).
- A centrally mounted tow ball for the front of the vehicle. The tow ball should be unbolted and stored in the boot (this is for stiff bar towing should you break down).

- Cargo barrier must be fitted in all station wagons.
- First Aid Kit. Must be of good quality and carry sufficient materials for remote travelling. Please seek advice from your local first aid supplier or Ambulance station.
- Two reflective triangles.
- De-Ditching shovel. Safely stored.
- Rear facing car number, at least 4 inches high. Black on white or white on black. Must be on the righthand side and easily visible.
- Forward facing car number. White numbers on the passenger side of the windscreen.
- A space of at least 650mm X 450mm must be kept clear on each front door or an area approved by the organisers, for the official door signs.
- A road atlas or maps covering the areas in which the event will travel.
- A four-point roll cage is strongly recommended, but not compulsory.
- As per State laws, an engineer's certificate (modification plate for QLD) must be obtained for any major modifications made to the vehicle. i.e. seats and seat belts. For more information, contact your nearest Motor registry office or Department of Transport.

If your vehicle does not comply with all of the above equipment, IT WILL BE ENFORCED THAT YOU MUST ONLY FOLLOW MAIN ROADS. (This rule will be strictly adhered to by the organisers without exception).

H: VEHICLE SPECIFICATIONS

H1: To be eligible for outright and all wacko related awards, your vehicle must be 20 years or older and 2wd.

H2: All vehicles must be legally road registered and road worthy as per state requirements in the state that the vehicle is registered.

H3: All vehicles must be covered by at least a third-party property insurance policy. Queensland registered vehicles must have their normal Compulsory Third Party insurance cover extended by their insurer as required by Queensland law.

I: CLASSES

| CLASS | ELIGIBILITY |
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| • A | Prior to 1976 |
| • B | 1976 to 1985 |
| • C | 1986 to 1995 |
| • D | 1996 to 2005 |
| • O | 2006 to 2025. |

All vehicles including 4WD Vehicles under 20 years old are not eligible for place taker awards (M), or best presented (N).

J: SCORING

J1: All awards, other than wacko related awards and the Officials Award will be selected by a democratic vote by the Entrants from a voting sheet within the Track Book. The final word will be with the organisers – if needed.

J2: Full wacko scoring details will be sent out with a newsletter and will be provided in the route instruction book at Check In. The entrant with the highest number of points at the end of the event will be declared the outright wacko section winner.

J3: Ties: in the event of a tied score, the winner shall be determined by, 1. the order of receipt of entry deposit and, 2. the age of their vehicle, with the older having the advantage.

J4: Queries/Claims: any query on the running of the event, which may affect the chances of an entrant grabbing a trophy or two should be discussed with the organisers.

K: SCRUTINEERING

K1: All vehicles must be presented for scrutineering. Scrutineering will be held at Check In.

K2: All vehicles must bring to Check In, either a letter from an authorised mechanic stating that in their opinion the vehicle is in a road safe condition or a current Safety Certificate.

L: DISQUALIFICATION/PENALTIES

L1: Entrants and/or crew members may be disqualified or penalised for one or more of the following offences at the sole discretion of the organisers:

- Interference with other entrants or officials vehicle or property.
- Interference with public or private property.
- Unsafe actions or driving.

The Great Escape Oz encourages safe and sensible driving. It is not a speed event, and all state laws must be adhered to at all times. Due consideration must be given to all road users at all times.

- Entered vehicle is considered by the scrutineer not to be road safe. It will not be allowed to start until such time as it has been deemed road safe.
- A driver is found to be driving under the influence of alcohol and is over the legal limit.

A Breathalyzer is carried by the officials and will be used at random throughout the event.

- All entrants & officials must be totally competent in all areas of controlling the vehicle they are travelling in, or if asked to drive another vehicle, the same applies.
- Failing to ensure that a gate that was found closed is effectively closed. The responsibility rests with the person first opening the gate.
- Not obeying any reasonable instruction of an official or a briefing rule.

L2: In the event of a dispute, (whether between the organisers and entrants, or between entrants), the Event Organiser will mediate and have the final say. Mediation will ensure any isolated incidents of an unsavoury nature that may reflect unfavourably on the above organisations and persons are considered, and appropriate action is taken.

M: PLACE TAKER AWARDS

- Highest Fundraiser 1st to 5th.
- Outright 1st to 3rd (wacko sections).
- 1st in Class (wacko sections).
- Ladies Crew (wacko sections).
- Family Crew (wacko sections).
- State Awards (highest place getter from each state).
- Promotor Award.

N: NOMINATED AWARDS

- Sixty-Five Roses Award.
- Mate Ship & True Spirit Award.
- Ya said they'd never make it.
- Best Presented Vehicle 1st to 3rd.
- Zaniest Crew or Vehicle.
- The Wayne Coleman Award –Special "Officials" Award.

NOTE: Other awards may be added. Trophies will be awarded to the principal entrant only. Extra trophies may be ordered at cost price.

FURTHER INFORMATION/CLARIFICATION

For further information or clarification regarding these rules or the event, contact:

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