



Rally New York Glossary of Terms

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Organizing Committee: See event Supplemental Regulations

Clerk of the Course: the person in charge of the Rally See event Supplemental Regulations

Senior Officials of the Rally: See event Supplemental Regulations

Deputy Clerk of the Course – Rally Control: See event Supplemental Regulations

Deputy Clerk of the Course – Operations: See event Supplemental Regulations

Deputy Clerk of the Course – Safety: See event Supplemental Regulations

Chief Marshal: See event Supplemental Regulations

Chief Radio Officer: Duties include recruiting, training, assigning, and supervising all Amateur Radio Operator volunteers. Responsible for securing the use of repeaters that provide adequate coverage for the entire Rally. See event Supplemental Regulations

Competitor Relations Officer: experienced competitor who acts as the liaison between the "Organizer" and the competitors. See event Supplemental Regulations

Secretary of the Meeting: keeps record of all proceedings. **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Chief Scrutineer: experienced competitor in charge of inspecting all competition cars for Safety equipment, proper registration & insurance, Log Books, and class mechanical specs. before competition. Often supervises refueling also. Inspects cars that are involved in racing accidents, as well as after Rally protests. **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Chief Medical Officer: supervises both ALS & BLS in Sullivan County. Reviews medical portion of the Rally Safety plan **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Chief Publicity Officer issues press releases, liaison (PIO) to media, & issues on-line updates during the Rally. **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Webmasters: Ivan Orisek, maintain the www.RallyNewYork.com website.

Championships for which the Rally counts: United States Rally Championship (USRC) New York Rally Championship (NYRC) – Day 1 and Day 2 of the Rally are two separate and independent events of the New York Rally Championship

Judges of Fact: Start Control Marshals, Finish Control Marshals

Stewards of the Meeting: **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Road Surface: **See event Supplemental Regulations**

Description of Event Insurance Coverage: The Entry Fee includes the insurance premium for a standard \$5,000,000 general liability coverage and a \$100,000 participant accident coverage under the Rally New York, Ltd. Event Insurance Plan.



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Terms that apply to most Rallies Updated January 1, 2010

Net Control: Station that maintains order on the Net

Net: A number of operators communicating as a structured group for a specific purpose, in this case to provide to means to transmit & receive Safety & Emergency messages for a Rally.

SS: Special Stage, this is the complete portions of the Rally

Authorization to begin Competition: This can only be done “by authority of” the Clerk of the Course. There are three people that can give the Stage commander (start) permission to begin competition; they are *Clerk of the Course, Chief Communications Officer, or the Deputy Clerk of the Course - Safety*

Competition has begun: This means that competitors are on the SS at speed.

Course Closing: The competition on the SS has been completed and the road is being opened for normal traffic. This is done by the *Checkered Flag Car*, no one normal traffic is to enter a SS until this vehicle has passed

Stage Commander: The *Rally Marshal* that is in charge of the individual Special Stage

Rally Marshal: A Rally volunteer that has been trained and certified in the safety & timing procedures

Stage Crew: Volunteer *Rally Marshals* that do all phases of setting up, operating, & tearing down the SS.

Course Safety Vehicles: Four vehicles equipped with Ham radio that are responsible for the execution of the course opening & closing procedure.

Car #000: Vehicle that starts the *Road closing / Course opening* procedure. Once this vehicle passes your location the is closed and the course is open,

NO vehicles should pass in the opposite direction

Car # 00: Intermediate safety car, drives through about 30 minutes before the stage is *opened for competition*.

Car #0: Last car to come through the stage before it *opens for competition*

Direction of Rally Traffic: This is the direction that the **Safety Vehicles** will be traveling.

ALL TRAFFIC WILL TRAVEL FROM START TO FINISH!
NO TRAFFIC IS TO BE ALLOWED TO TRAVEL IN THE OPPOSITE DIRECTION!
NOT EVEN EMERGENCY VEHICLES!!

Checked Flag: This car will have a flashing *green light* and follows immediately after the last competitor. The *checked flag* is followed by the *sweep*!! When you see this car it means that the *SS* is closed and the road is open for normal traffic.

Sweep: 4X4 that goes through the course to clear it of any crashed or disabled vehicles, after the *checked flag* vehicle

Transit: The portion of the Rally where *competitors* travel between *SS & Service*. They must use specific roads and obey all normal traffic devices and laws, *competitors* are allowed ample time. This is also a timed and measured part of the Rally that is scored.

Service Park: A designated area where *competitors* are allowed measured amounts of time to do work on their cars.

Service Crew: The *competitors* support team that maintain & repair the car.

Refueling Zone: A designated area where *competitors* are allowed to refill their cars with racing fuel

Road Book: This is a book containing all *safety procedures*, and detailed description of the entire *course*. This book contains mileage points and landmarks to help the competitors know where they are at all times, also included are pages with safety signs for the competitors to display if a mishap should occur during competition.

OK Sign: A sign with the letters **OK** on it, to be displayed if a car crashes, breaks down, or stops for any reason during a **SS**, and there are no injuries. This sign is also contained in the **route book**.

Red Cross: All the competitors carry a sign with the **Red Cross** symbol on it. This is part of the **route book**. If a crash occurs with injuries during a **SS**, the competitors are to display this, if they are able, the first & second competitors to pass and see the **Red Cross** must stop to assist. One of the **competitors** will then continue in the **direction of Rally traffic** at a safe speed to the next **Radio Location** and report the information. The stage will be stopped and in 99% of the cases where a **Red Cross** is displayed the stage will not continue.

Safety Triangle: A reflective device that **competitors** must carry. This **safety triangle** is supposed to display about 100 yards towards the start of the **SS**, if their car crashes or is disabled and is blocking the course creating an unsafe situation for other **competitors**. This **triangle** is to be displayed on the same side of the road that is obstructed.

EMT: Emergency Medical Technician, for this Rally the **EMT** will be the first to respond when officials are notified that a **Red Cross** has been displayed.

BLS: Basic Life Support, This is handled by an EMT.

ALS: Advanced Life Support, this is done by an MD, or Paramedic.

MedEvac: Helicopter used to transport seriously injured persons.

Flatbed: A recovery and transport vehicle, used when a vehicle is damaged so that it can not be towed on the front or back wheels.

Tow Truck: A recovery and transport vehicle used when a vehicle is damaged so that it can be towed on the front or back wheels. This is also referred to as a “Wrecker”

Spectator Area: A designated area where the public can view the Rally from a safe distance. There will always be Course Marshals and an Amateur Radio Operator at these locations

Mid-Course Safety: typically these are set up at places that present a high degree of danger to the **competitors** or are areas that could allow non competitors to infiltrate the course while it is **open**. There will be **Rally Marshals** and an **Amateur Radio Operator** at these locations

Direction of travel:

Start to Finish!

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!

This is probably the most INPORTANT item on this list!

THERE ARE NO EXCEPTIONS!

NOT EVEN FOR EMERGENCY VEHICLES

Ceremonial Start: A display for the public when the Rally begins for the day.

Time Control: A strictly regulated area at both *start* & *finish* where *competitor's* time is started and stopped.

Flying Finish: The exact location where the competitor's time is marked & stopped.

Time Card: Cards carried by *competitors* where *Rally Marshals* record the *stage time* of the competitor. These cards are also used to record both *transit* & *service* time.

Stage Time: The recorded time that it took the *competitor* to get from *start* to *finish* of a stage

Parc Expose: Rally cars are placed on display near the *ceremonial start* for the public to view. *Competitors* and *service crews* are allowed to do work on their cars during this time.

Parc Ferme: Like an impound. At the close of service after the first day of the Rally the cars are secured and can not be touched until the parc expo the next morning. being serviced

Exposure: Steep drop off, typically with no guard rail.

Off Road Excursion: Any unplanned or abrupt forays into the forest, bodies of water, or fields. Not recommended at any time during the Rally.

Lift: Taking ones foot of the accelerator

Blind Crest: Section of road with a hill or knoll that competitors can not see over

Absolute Crest: A description in the notes that describes a “blind crest” with straight smooth road on the other side, drivers do not need to “lift” of the gas.

This Glossary of Terms is a work in progress!

I'm sure there are things that I have missed.

Some of the information may seem very basic; it is not my intent to insult anyone's intelligence.

If you would like me to add anything or there is a term that you keep hearing related to Rally Racing that you are not familiar with please do not hesitate to ask, I'll find out the answer and add it to the list.

Thanks & 73

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