

**2018 Minnesota Valley Winter Rally**  
**January 20, 2018**  
**Le Sueur, MN**



**A Twin City Rally Club Event**

# 2017 MVWR Rally Regulations

## About

This rally is a part of the Twin City Rally Club LLC Winter Rally Series. External night lighting will not be needed, interior lights will be very useful. A GPS is not essential but will be extremely helpful. Your GPS will allow you to see intersections before you get there as well as turns. In addition we will be giving out pickup point information using latitude and longitude should you go astray or get late and want to get back in the rally.

## Classes

Expert, Journeyman, New to Sport

## Committee

Chairman	Clarence Westberg
Rallymaster	Ben Wedge
Safety	Kate Westberg
Pre-Check	Clarence Westberg
Sweep	tbd
Scoring	TCRC

## Headquarters

The Bar & Grill  
130 S. Main St  
Le Sueur, MN 56058

## Rules

SCCA Road Rally Regulations, current edition (nothing you need to know). Pretty much everything in these regulations is an exception to the RRRs.

## Vehicle Inspection

You are responsible for insuring the following are in order:

- Headlights (high and low beams) and parking lights
- Taillights and stoplights
- Horn, windshield wipers and directional signals
- Rear-view mirror
- Foot brakes and parking brake
- Tires (inspect for condition of sidewalls as well as tread)
- Seat belts, securely installed for the driver and navigator

- Safety triangle (required)
- First Aid Kit (optional)
- Tow Rope (suggested)
- Fire Extinguisher (optional)
- Shovel (suggested if there is snow)

## Official time

Official time for this rally will be NIST radio station WWV. A clock set to WWV will be available at registration if you don't have access to WWV. Make sure that your watch is set correctly. The start time for each section is specified on your scorecard.

## Roads

Both paved and unpaved with the emphasis on unpaved. Dead end roads and obvious driveways should not be considered unless you are directed to use them. Road names such as 331st can be referenced as 331, 331st, etc. As long as the number is correct, use it.

## Route Instructions

The route instructions are very easy to follow tulips. For this rally, the tulip is always approached from the bottom. Instructions are to be completed in numerical order. Each instruction will contain official mileage, interval mileage, tulip, textual instruction. You will get your routes when you register, if you have any questions ask before or during the drivers meeting. The course is divided into sections. Each Section begins with an official mileage of 0.00 and is measured continuously until the end of the section.

Each section will have 3-5 control zones. The beginning of each section is marked with a BCZ or Begin Control Zone. A CZT or Car Zero Time is listed here. This time marks the scheduled time that section is to start. Your out time for each section will be the CZT plus your car number. Example, if you are car number 3 and the CZT is 4:30, your scheduled out time will be 4:33.

## Quiet

An instruction may use the term "quiet" or "SHHHH" or "calm your shit" in built up areas where you need to go slow to respect the locals. If it's night, dip your high beams. If a speed limit is present, stay under it. We suggest you go 25 MPH.

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This is done to be respectful of the residents who “let” us use “their” roads. A good rule of thumb is to not drive like a dipshit at any point of the route. Adequate time will be given to make up lost time after the quiet area.

## Pickup Points

MVWR will have two breaks, both in the town of Henderson, MN at the Shell Gas Station. If for some reason you get lost and need to abandon the section, you can pick up the rally at the beginning of the next leg.

### Shell Gas Station

422 Main St  
Henderson, MN

The rally will finish at Andy’s Bar and Grill. If you get really lost and want to go right to the finish and drink some beer and play bingo feel free.

### Andy’s Bar and Grill

114 N Meridian St  
Belle Plaine, MN 56011

## Following the Course

The rally starts at the The Bar and Grill from the back parking lot. The course at each intersection is determined by applying the following priority list in the order shown.

1. Proceed as directed by the numbered instruction.
2. Proceed ahead on the road you are on. If there is any question, leave on the road most directly ahead without a stop or yield sign.
3. Do not follow dead end roads or driveways.
4. There will be no starter at the beginning of each leg. Competitors will be on their own to leave at their designated time.

## Measurement & Calculation

The course was measured using a 2001 SAAB 9-3 Viggen using a pulse driven input off of a driven wheel. Mileage was taken at the stop/yield sign if present otherwise the near edge or apex was used. An odo check is built into the rally to allow competitors to compare mileage and adjust accordingly.

## Timing Controls (TC)

Timing controls are identified by standard SCCA orange checkpoint sign. An example will be shown at registration. When you enter a timing control, **do not stop at the sign**, pull up to the worker car located a short distance down the road. The worker will give you a sticker with your time in. Controls will close 10 minutes after the last car due. If a timing controls identified in the route instructions is not manned, just keep driving.

## Scorecard/Due Time

This rally will be scored based on interval time. The interval time listed on the instruction sheet is the time it should take you travel from one control to the other. At each control you will be given a sticker with the time that you arrived at that control. These times will be used to calculate your interval time for each control.

Example: if you arrive at control 1 at 4:30:22 and the interval time to Control 2 is 8 min 30 seconds your arrival time to get a zero for control 2 will be 4:38:52 (or 8 min and 30 seconds after you passed through control 1).

## Penalties

Penalties are based on your interval time. You will be penalized 1 point per second late, and 1 second for every second early. Max timing points you can receive for any leg is 120 points. Penalty for stopping or creeping within sight of a timing control is 10 points in addition to timing penalty. Controls can measure the time you take to reach the control after you first come in sight. If you take more than twice that time, you are creeping.

## Delays

It’s possible that you could find yourself behind schedule through no fault of your own such as a vehicle blocking the road or if you stop to aid a fellow contestant. In such cases turn in a delay in tenth minutes increments up to 10 minutes. If you have a delay (often referred to as a TA), you must turn it in to the workers before you get your sticker.

## Emergency Speed

Should extreme ice or snow conditions exist we will add one minute to the interval time. You will be

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notified of the start of emergency speeds and they continue until you are notified they are done.

## **Miscellaneous**

Organizer's Phone number [\(989\) 464-6961](tel:9894646961). If you get lost or drop out, call or text. If we have a sweep car, a phone number will be provided for them as well.