

TARGA Bambina 2023

17TH – 19TH MARCH 2023

Tour Briefing



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THE TARGA TOUR



- The Targa Tour is a unique and privileged opportunity to run your prized road car in a **closed road** situation above the normal speed limit.
- The Tour is an integral part of Targa, running the same stages around 20 minutes behind the competition field.
- The behaviour of the Tour Participants is closely watched by the Targa Tour Management Team, the AASA Stewards & the AASA.

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TOUR MANAGEMENT GROUP



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Tour Midpoint	Mike Robb	027 537 7667
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EMERGENCY PHONE NUMBER



0800 827 427
(0800 TARGAS)

Located in the Road Book, but...
Load it in your Mobile Phone **NOW!**

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- The Targa Tour is sanctioned by AASA (Australian Auto-Sport Alliance).
- The Australian Auto-Sport Alliance is a Member Sanctioning Body of the SFI Foundation, Inc. SFI is a not-for-profit foundation dedicated entirely to motorsport safety.
- It is the responsibility of all Targa Tour Participants to adhere to the rules of the event to ensure its continued success.
- The Tour Manager will report to the AASA Stewards at the end of each day.



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- The Targa Tour has been a great event for previous participants; however, we have had incidents in the past where Tour cars have suffered extensive damage.
- **These incidents were all down to Driver error.**
- If you have an incident of any kind whatsoever you must report it to the Tour Manager or the closest member of the Tour Management Group as soon as possible. Especially if there is an injury or property damage involved.
- Remember that you are in road cars and do not have the full safety equipment of the competition cars.

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THE TARGA TOUR



Remember:

- Drive within the limits of your own ability.
- **YOU** are responsible for your own driving actions.

The Clerk of Course will send any irresponsible Tour participants home.

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THE TARGA TOUR



Whether you are a Tour veteran or a newcomer, please ensure that you have read the following documents **and be aware of your obligations!**

- Targa Bambina 2023 Supplementary Regulations
- Standing Articles Governing the 2023 Targa NZ Tour

• These are available on the Targa website here:

- <https://targa.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/02/Targa-Bambina-2023-Supplementary-Regulations-Tour-Part-1.pdf>
- <https://targa.nz/wp-content/uploads/2023/01/2023-Targa-Tour-Series-Regulations-2.pdf>

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WRISTBANDS



WRISTBANDS

- You must keep your wristbands on for the entire event. You will need these to start the Special Stages.
- If it comes off, please see the CRO or Secretariat.

Driver = Red

Co-Driver = Green

Please ensure your car number and name are correct!

- If you are both driving on the stages you should both have **RED** wristbands.

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DAILY PROCEDURES



- There is a **COMPULSORY** briefing for Drivers and Navigators at the **START** and **END** of each day at the nominated area.
- Bring your **ROAD BOOK & ITINERARY**. You may be advised of any changes to the route or schedule.
- Note the stage start times in the specific **TOUR ITINERARY** and route book.
- A restaurant may be organised each evening for those wishing to join in for a group meal if there is no pre-arranged evening Targa function.

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DAILY PROCEDURES



- Timing will be tight. We need to stick to our schedule as closely as possible, and our lunch times may be reduced to compensate.
- Refer to the Tour Itinerary for more details on the daily schedule.
- Some morning and afternoon stops are very short and may be bypassed, or they will be just a quick toilet stop. *(We will try to fit in as many toilet stops as we can!)*
- **We always start the day with a full tank of fuel and refuel again at or prior to lunch.** You do not want to run out of fuel where we are going! **Remember, your fuel is your responsibility!**
- Use some common sense at Petrol Stations to get everyone through promptly.
For example, fill up and move your car before going in to pay!

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TOURING STAGES



- All Tour Participants must abide by the NZ traffic laws when touring between stages.
- If you receive a traffic offence notice, you must report this to the Tour Manager as soon as practical.



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RSLite GPS UNITS



- RSLite is a mobile application for Android and iOS that provides continuous vehicle tracking
- You need to download the RS Lite App from the Apple and Google Play Stores and enter the event code. More details and download links available here: <https://statusas.com/rslite/>
- The RSLite GPS App will monitor our location and speeds in the special stages.
- Speeds will be reviewed by the Clerk of Course and penalties may be issued for speeds exceeding the limits set by AASA.
- **You must have the RSLite App OPEN during the special stages.**

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RSLite GPS UNITS



(Google Play Store)



(Apple App Store)

Download RallySafe Lite from these QR Codes

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RSLite GPS UNITS



Refer to the separate sheet for more info on this App.

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STAGE MAXIMUM SPEEDS



The maximum speed in all Closed Roads is as follows (Helmets are required for all Tour cars!)

- **Open Tour:** 160km/h
- **Limited Tour:** 130km/h **THESE SPEEDS ARE NOT A TARGET!**

• Failure by a Tour Participant to observe these limits will result in a discussion with the Tour Manager and will incur the following penalties:

- 1st Offence **\$250** donation to the Charity.
- 2nd Offence **\$500** donation to the Charity.
- 3rd Offence **\$1000** donation to the Charity, **AND**

Immediate exclusion from the event. No refunds or compensation will be payable.

• If you receive a fine, you must show proof of payment of the fine before you can restart.



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STAGE PROCEDURES – RUNNING ORDER



- The Tour will enter the Special Stages starting with the **Open Tour**, followed immediately by the **Limited Tour**.
- **Open Tour Leader:** Will set the pace for the OPEN Tour – Max 160km/h
- **Mid Point Cars:** Will set the pace for the following sections of the Tour.
- **Limited Tour Leader:** Will set the pace for the OPEN Tour – Max 130km/h.
- The running order may be reviewed and discussed with the Tour Leaders, and Mid Point cars, at the start of each Stage.
- **Helmets must be worn on the special stages by all Tour cars.**

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STAGE PROCEDURES – RUNNING ORDER



- **The Tour Management team will work with you to decide the order that you run in.** We want you to travel at a pace that you are comfortable with, and with other similar paced cars. You should not feel pressured by the car behind.
- The more experienced Tour Participants will be at the front.
- Any new participants **will start in the Limited Tour**, until they have been approved to move forward.
- Use this time to learn from the Limited Tour leader and midpoint cars about reading the roads and how the Targa Tour works.

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STAGE PROCEDURES – RUNNING ORDER



- The Mid Point Cars may reposition drivers up or down the order based on their observation of performance and capability.
- The Mid Point Cars will look after their group of cars behind them. They will be responsible for car counts before every stage.
- **There is NO overtaking on a stage.**
- You **must** have your headlights/daytime running lights on during a Special Stage. **Financial Penalties (\$250) can apply.**

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STAGE PROCEDURES – STAGE START



- Arrive at the stage start at the prescribed time and form up in the correct running order on the **Left-Hand Side of the road only**. The Right-Hand Side of the road must remain open for Official & Emergency vehicles.
- Where possible, allow space between the cars to allow for changes in the running order.
- Check the whiteboard at the Start Line for last minute cautions or road condition updates for this stage.
- **It is crucial that you take note of this information and the correct distance in your road book.**



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STAGE PROCEDURES – STAGE START



- When clearance has been given to enter the stage, the Open Tour Leader will give three blasts of the horn. **GET IN YOUR CAR – we will go in 3 – 5 minutes!**
- All cars will proceed through the start area in convoy at no more than **30km/h**.
- The Open Tour Leader will maintain a reduced speed until sufficient cars have crossed the start line of the stage. He will then accelerate up to stage speed.
- The **safety of the start line crews is paramount**, and penalties will be imposed for anyone exceeding the start speed limit.

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STAGE PROCEDURES – IN STAGE



- **Do not "tail gate"**. There must be a minimum 2 second gap between cars when moving at speed. You must keep a safe braking distance from the car in front.
- Any repeated observations or reporting of "following too close" may result in the driver being moved down the order or being ultimately excluded from the event.
- **You can use both sides of the road but not the berms DO NOT CUT CORNERS!**
- Slowing down to create an excessive gap to the car in front, and then racing to catch up, is not allowed! **Remember our speed limits!**
- You will be sent home for a breach of this regulation. **There will be no warnings!**
- **Remember, you can discuss your running order with the Tour officials.**

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STAGE PROCEDURES – IN STAGE



- The lead car may catch an official Targa vehicle in the stage and need to stop quickly.
- The Tour Leader may pass the official's vehicle if directed to do so. At that point we will proceed to the end of the stage as though it is a **touring stage** i.e., **normal road speed, and keeping to the left-hand side of the road.**
- **Be aware of other officials on the road or on-coming vehicles.**
- If a problem is encountered in a closed stage by any of the Lead or Mid-point cars, **the hazard flashers** will go on and the legal open road speed limit will be in force.
- This must be relayed down the convoy until all cars run with their hazard flashers on, until the Lead / Mid-Point car turns off its flashers or the end of the stage is reached.

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STAGE PROCEDURES – ROUTE BOOK



THE ROADBOOK IS YOUR BIBLE – Don't lose it!

Located in your Road Book is handy information such as:

- The Targa Rally Route
- Explanation of the Road Book
- Important Phone Numbers
- Official Noticeboard Locations
- Event Itinerary
- **You should follow the Road Book at all times unless otherwise directed by Tour Management.**

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STAGE PROCEDURES – ROAD BOOK



Touring Stage

Targa New Zealand				Targa New Zealand			
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TIME	STAGE	START	END	TIME	STAGE	START	END
13:00	2.88	17:13	17:13	0:00	0:00	17:13	17:13
17:22	5.53	14:20	14:20	1:52	1:52	20:00	20:00
17:42	0.21	13:00	13:00	3:74	2:22	27:58	27:58
18:13	0.70	13:20	13:20	10:09	6:35	21:33	21:33
18:30	1.53	11:41	11:41	10:52	0.49	20:04	20:04
20:12	5.77	5:59	5:59	10:51	0.23	20:01	20:01

Special Stage

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STAGE PROCEDURES – CAUTIONS



CAUTION



Cautions are there for a reason. Please **observe** them.

DOUBLE CAUTION



TRIPLE CAUTION



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STAGE PROCEDURES – CAUTIONS



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STAGE PROCEDURES – VEHICLE INCIDENT



- All Tour Official Cars are radio equipped and in the case of a serious incident the midpoint cars **MAY** stop to assist. If this happens, the following Tour cars are to drop to road speed with hazards lights on until the end of the stage and then follow the route book to the next stage.
- The **Tour Follower** will be on the scene shortly, and they will stop to assist together with the Targa Recovery/Medical vehicles who follow the VCC.
- The only exception to this procedure is if the **road is blocked**. The following cars must stop in a safe position on the LHS of the road, with their hazard lights on. Please remain in your vehicle until the entire field is stopped.



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STAGE PROCEDURES – VEHICLE BREAKDOWN



- In the case of breakdown, the following Participant cars **DO NOT STOP!**
- If you breakdown, **remain in your vehicle with the Hazard lights on** until the **Tour Follower** arrives. Please park off the road if you can.
- When safe to do so**, place the Safety Triangle 100m–200m back up the road **on the same side of the road as the vehicle**. **Be aware of other cars!**
- Stand near the triangle and display the **"OK"** Sign to following cars.
- Follow the instructions of the Tour Follower.
- Don't forget to take your Safety Triangle with you when you leave.*



OK

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STAGE PROCEDURES – OIL/SLIPPERY SURFACE



- In the back of your Road Book is a Slippery Surface sign.**
- If you have lost fluids from your vehicle, please go back before the start of the spill with your **Safety Triangle** and present the **Oil Sign** and **"OK"** Sign. Do this on the **same side of the road as the vehicle**.
- Ensure that **plenty of warning** is given to other vehicles.
- Ensure you are situated in a **safe but noticeable** position.
- Don't forget to take your Safety Triangle with you when you leave.*



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STAGE PROCEDURES – STAGE FINISH



- The Flying Finish and Stop Control is shown in your Road Book
- The Yellow warning sign is approximately 100 metres ahead.
- There may be corners after the **Flying Finish**, so take care.



- **Slow Down** once you've passed the Flying Finish to ensure the safety the Timing Crew & Marshals at the Stop Control.
- **DO NOT STOP at the Finish Control!!**
- Once you pass the Stage Finish Control you are back to normal road rules - **KEEP LEFT!**

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STAGE PROCEDURES – STAGE FINISH



- After the Stage Finish the Open Tour Leader will, where possible, find a safe location to **briefly** stop and remove helmets, then continue on the public roads to the next stage.
- **Helmets are not to be worn outside the Closed Stages.**



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REJOINING



- If you arrive at a stage start too late to continue in your usual position, you will be placed in front of the Tour Follower Car for that stage.
- If you arrive at a stage start after our Tour Follower Car has started the stage, then you will not be permitted to start the stage.
- You must drive to the start of the next stage (or the following stage) or follow the sweep and recovery vehicles and tour the stage. You may be able to catch the Tour at the next stage.
- You may rejoin the Tour at the next convenient stage start.
- Please use the WhatsApp Group to advise if you are missing a Stage and why.

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PASSAGE CONTROLS & CAR WASHES



- Along the route, there will be symbols in your Road Book that signify **Passage Controls**. These are there to support the local community groups and schools who assist us in many ways.
- These are schools who allow us to use their property for servicing, or groups who assist us in marshalling stages.
- **Please support them with a \$5.00 minimum donation.**
- There is a **Compulsory Car Wash** at days end with a \$10.00 minimum donation.
- This is a **Compulsory donation for all Tour Cars** – even if you don't want your car washed!



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END OF EVENT - PUKEKOHE PARK RACEWAY PARADE



- In conjunction with Premier Events, we will participate in a final **Parade around Pukekohe Park Raceway**
- Access to the Track will be after you have finished through the Targa podium
- No special apparel or helmets needed
- Drivers will complete indemnity at Doco and passengers will complete their indemnity on Ipad before entering the track. Both will be given wristbands.
- Once all cars are on the grid, they will be stopped, and a drone photo will be taken with Greg Murphy at the front with the entire raceway
- Cost is covered by Targa, enjoy!

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Enjoy TARGA BAMBINA 2023

Please remember to:

BE RESPONSIBLE & HAVE FUN!



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