



Car regulations, insurance and documents for the journey

*****This is only a guide, you are responsible for checking that you have all the documentation you need for your journey*****

The 1-litre rule and the charity fines...



This is pretty simple. Ask yourself first, "Is my car under 1 litre?", and then, "Is it crap?" If the answer to both is yes then you have done a sterling job of selecting your car. If the answer is not as aforementioned the charity fining system comes into play. It works by adding £100 for every 0.1 of a litre by which you exceed the maximum. You can adjust your car however you want, but don't make it too easy for yourself! These penalties should

be paid directly to the charities and should just be added to your minimum fundraising target of £1000 and raised through the normal way on the Will We Make It? Fundraising website.

Exceptions are made for cars with Significant Comedy Value. Contact Rally HQ if you think your vehicle is eligible...

Documentation

You will definitely need the following documents:

- Passport
- Drivers licence (if you are driving)
- International drivers permit for those driving (from a main post office, the AA or the RAC in the UK, check with authorities for outside UK)
- Car ownership documents (called V5 log book in the UK)
- Insurance documents and green card insurance (some of the countries will require special insurance which is bought from the borders)
- Visas

- The necessary roadworthiness certificates (MOT in the UK) and road tax applicable in your country.

Car Insurance

You need a green card and motor insurance for Europe. Once you get to Russia they will make you buy insurance on the border. After Russia you should be able to buy insurance on each border for each country you pass through. It is your responsibility to obtain a level of cover you are satisfied with but often you are not given the choice when they tell you to buy insurance at the borders... This is when it's down to you to make sure you have the cover you want. As far as we know, nobody has tried to make a claim using one of these obligatory vehicle insurance policies.

Travel Insurance

This is absolutely vital for any trip abroad, in any circumstance. Don't leave home without it.

The registered owner of your mighty vehicle

It's advisable to make sure that one of your team is also the registered owner of the vehicle. If this isn't possible then get yourself an official letter from the owner

Other car stuff

One of the 2007 teams had an almighty sulk because we didn't tell them about a small charge on a random motorway in Europe before they left! Funnily enough this largely depends on your route but there might be some road tolls. In particular there's a highway charge in parts of Czech Republic which sometimes they don't tell you about until they pull you over and try and fine you. Keep an eye out!

There will probably be other unofficial charges to pay certain angry looking people with guns – it's up to you to decide whether to cross their palm with the silver of safety or shrug your shoulders until you bored, while simultaneously hiding your fancy digital camera with your right foot.

What happens in Mongolia?

Apart from some of the most incredible driving terrain known to man in one of the last places on earth where there's no fences or roads, there's a few things you'll need to know about what to do once/if you get to Mongolia.

So there'll be a whole info pack on that, and you'll get an email once it's live in your team area online.

As always, if you have any questions not answered in these notes or in the FAQ give us a shout and we'll do our best to help.