

CENTRAL U.P. Rally

A black silhouette map of the Central Upper Peninsula region, outlined in yellow. Two yellow stars are placed on the map: one in the northern part and one in the southern part.

Hardwood CUP Rally

Supplemental Regulations

June 19 - 20, 2026

Hardwood, MI



Event Website:

<https://www.cuprallywixsite.com/2026>

NRS Event Website:

<https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event/2026/Hardwood-Cup-Rally>

The General Regulations and Rules are available on the NASA web site:

<https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/rules>

The NASA Rally University is available at:

<https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University>

Welcome

The Organizing Committee is excited to continue the Hardwood CUP Rally. A gravel Rally in the heart of Michigan's Upper Peninsula. Mostly wide, flowing, firm county roads welcome you to test your skills and above all, have a great day in the woods.

Continuing for 2026 is open recce and SxS class!!!

Welcome to da U.P da Eh!

Announcement

Hardwood CUP Rally will be run in compliance with the NASA Rally Sport General Regulations for Rallies (GRR'S). Per section 2.2.2 of the GRRs, the regulations governing the conduct of a rally sprint are the same as those governing a stage rally

Modifications to this document will be made by bulletins posted to the NASA Rally Sport website and to the Sportity App. During the event, bulletins may also be distributed electronically via text, email, Sportity App, or other means. There will be no physical notice board. Bulletins during the event may be provided at controls when needed. If this does occur a crew member will be asked to sign a form to acknowledge receipt.

This event will use the Sportity App to keep interested parties informed. The app is available in iPhone and android app stores. The password for this event is "**NRS2026**". Note that this sportity code puts you into the season series, and you may need to navigate the menu to see specific content for this rally.

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1 Schedule of the Rally

The official schedule may be found online at

<https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/event-schedule/380>

The online schedule includes GPS links where possible. A copy of the schedule for information is included below.

Schedule - Competitor

Tuesday June 16			
07:30PM	09:30PM	HCUPR NCO	Online Virtual Meeting
Friday June 19			
10:00AM	05:00PM	HCUPR Reconnaissance	HCUPR Stages
10:00AM	01:00PM	Recce/Competitor Registration	Hardwood Community Center
05:00PM	08:00PM	Competitor Registration	Hardwood Community Center
05:00PM	09:00PM	Tech Inspection	Hardwood Community Center
Saturday June 20			
08:00AM	09:00AM	Competitor Registration - Apt Only	Hardwood Community Center
08:00AM	09:00AM	Tech Inspection - Apt Only	Hardwood Community Center
09:00AM	09:00AM	Service Area Opens	Dufresne Rd
11:45AM	12:00PM	Drivers Meeting	HCUP Service Area
12:01PM	12:01PM	1st Car Starts HCUP 26	HCUP Service Area
02:50PM	03:50PM	Service	HCUP Service Area
06:45PM	07:45PM	1st Car Finishes HCUP 26 (estimate)	HCUP Service Area
08:30PM	10:30PM	HCUP Party & Awards	Hardwood Community Center

2 Event Description

2.1 Place and Date of the Event

Name of the event: Hardwood CUP Rally
Place of the event: Hardwood, MI
Event Website: <https://cuprally.wixsite.com/2026>
Date of the event: June 19-20, 2026

2.2 Titles for Which the Rally Counts

Atlantic Rally Cup

2.3 Location of Rally Headquarters
Hardwood Community Center

2.4 Location of the Operations Center
Hardwood CUP Rally Service Area

2.5 Location of Start and Finish
Rally start will be at the MTC Out from the Service Area. Finish will be at the final MTC into the Service Area.

2.6 Location of the Awards Ceremony
Hardwood Community Center

2.7 Location of Service Area
Service area will be located on Dufrense Rd, Hardwood, MI. Service locations will be marked. Keep the center and left side of the road, while looking East, open for traffic. The road is very wide.

2.8 Road Surface
The course has gravel and dirt roads. Stages vary from fast, wide, and smooth to some tight, twisty.

2.9 Event Details

Total distance of the course	85 miles
Number of special stages	6
Total distance of the special stages	77 miles
Number of sections	2

Organization

2.10 Organization Committee

Chairman of the Rally	Roger VanDamme	rgvandamme@gmail.com
Clerk of the Course	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Volunteer Coordinator	Lynn Wolf	skibum.lynn@gmail.com
NASA Rally Sport Director	Perry Seaman	perry@nasarallysport.com

2.11 Senior Officials

NASA Rally Sport Steward	Perry Seaman	perry@nasarallysport.com
Clerk of the Course	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Chief of Controls	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com
Chief of Communications	Kevin Deloughary	kdeough@gmail.com
Chief of Scoring	TBD	
Chief of Scrutineering	Chris Czyzio	chrisczyzio@aol.com
Registrar	Bill Westrick	westrick.bill@gmail.com

3 Entries

3.1 Opening and Closing Dates

Reserved Entry Begins	Saturday, April 11, 2026	08:00 AM EST
Early Entry Begins	Saturday, May 2, 2026	12:00 AM EST
Regular Entry Begins	Saturday, May 23, 2026	12:00 AM EST
Entry requires approval after	Sunday, June 14, 2026	11:59 PM EST

Entry and payment must be received by these times to be eligible for the prices listed. Instant credit card payment can be made at <https://www.nasarallysport.com>

3.2 Entry Fees

Reserved entry	\$700.00
Early entry	\$745.00
Regular entry	\$825.00

3.3 Entry Procedure and Paperwork

Reserved entry pricing is available to competitors that entered Hardwood CUP Rally 2025 or Sandblast Rally 2026.

The entry pricing is available only to competitors who have entered and paid in full by the deadline above. Submitting an entry without payment is not sufficient to obtain regular entry prices. Entries after the deadline above will require review and approval for acceptance to the event.

All entry details and payment are handled within your account at <https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/account>. Also available within your account is immediate credit card payment of the entry fee. Your entry will only be secured with payment in full.

Check through the entry details within your account and ensure that they are filled out. Please note that items are manually verified by a person and will not immediately change status from red to green as you enter information. Check back later for status. All items must be green before race day except for social media handles.

Your account never goes away, if you have previously raced or volunteered with us please take the time to use your existing account for your entry and find your codriver's and crew chief's correct account to associate with your entry.

All competitors (Driver, Navigator, etc.) will need a NASA Membership, NASA Rally License, and an approved NASA Rally Medical. These things are also obtained through your account on the NASA Rally Sport website.

Note that the medical process is now run entirely through the national office of NASA. The link and instructions are still in your rally account. The online self certification is still available but

does require a clean bill of health and some time to process (normally about 3 to 4 business days). Please do not delay application in case you do not qualify. The normal process with a doctor's visit is still available but does have expedite charges to process in under 3 weeks out from the event date. Please submit it on time to avoid extra expenses.

Questions regarding many rally topics including the medical form are answered in the rally university at <https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/Rally-University>.

New Competitors are encouraged to enter early to ensure they are invited to Novice Competitor Orientation and can get their entry paperwork together.

3.4 Novice Competitor Orientation

Competitors who have not yet completed three Novice Competitor Orientations (NCO) will need to attend the Hardwood CUP Rally NCO. Your status may be checked within your entry online if you are unsure.

The NCO will be held online via a zoom call on Tuesday, June 16, 2026. Zoom meeting details will be published via bulletin. It is your responsibility to ensure that you attend the NCO before the event. No novice competitor will be allowed to race without attending the NCO. If you cannot attend you will need to make other arrangements with perry@nasarallysport.com before the NCO. Others who are not competing are welcome to attend along with you for future credit or just for information.

3.5 Event Cancellation

The organizers reserve the right to cancel the event if insufficient entries are received prior to the rally. Note that the organizers are committed to the success of this rally, even with few entries and do not take any decision to cancel lightly.

3.6 Number of Entrants Accepted

The current schedule can accommodate approximately 25 entries. Entries over that number will be evaluated for impact to the event before the entry is approved.

3.7 Eligible Classes

Classes below will be scored per the NASA Rally Sport GRRs.

Event classes:	Open AWD Heavy, Open AWD Light, Open 2WD Heavy, Open 2WD Light, Side-by Side, PRO
Atlantic Rally Cup Classes:	AWD, 2WD, PRO

3.8 Side by Sides

SxS vehicles that comply with section 6 of NASA Rallysport GRRs can compete at Hardwood CUP Rally. Other similar vehicles may be classed as SxS at the discretion of the organizers.

3.9 Rally Solo

Rally Solo entries will be accepted for this event.

3.10 Refunds

Entry fees shall be refunded in full if the event is canceled.

Entry fees shall be refunded in full if the organizer refuses the entry.

Entry fees shall be refunded minus \$100 if the competitor withdraws their entry prior to the opening of onsite registration. There are no refunds after opening of onsite registration

Entry fees will not be refunded for any competitor/team who is required to attend the Novice Competitor Orientation, fails to attend, and then wants to start the rally.

In all cases, processing fees will not be refunded.

In all cases, entry fees will be refunded electronically via transfer or other means convenient to the organizer in a timely fashion.

4 Advertising

4.1 Organizer Supplied Advertising

If the organizers supply an advertising sticker package for Hardwood CUP Rally, it must be displayed from scrutineering until the end of the awards ceremony, without exception.

4.2 Identification numbers

The size and location of the space for vehicle numbers is governed by the NASA championship regulations.

All stickers, vinyl, paint, patches or graphics containing text, logos, or numbers of alternate sanctioning bodies must be removed or completely and neatly covered.

5 Fuel

Fueling is permitted in your service area if the vehicle is on the ground, no one is in the vehicle, it is not running and crew or volunteer is actively manning a fire extinguisher. A tarp must be placed under the vehicle to refuel. Be prepared to clean up any fuel spills immediately.

No fuel arrangements have been made. Competition teams are responsible for acquiring their own fuel sources.

Regular octane fuel (87) and premium (92) are available near the service area at The Hardwood Store.

Diesel & regular gas is available 1.25 miles past Felch (9.2Mi total) at Anderson's Nordic Store on CR581.

Since The Hardwood Store is on the transit route; use of this station for fueling only during the event, while on transit, WILL NOT be considered off route or illegal service provided that the

competitor is visible from the transit route. Competitors are reminded they are responsible to check in on time at the controls and obey all traffic laws.

6 Testing & Shakedown

No testing is allowed within Dickinson County, with definitions and penalties as per the NRS GRRs at <https://www.nasarallysport.com/main/rules>

Hardwood CUP Rally will not provide a Shakedown stage.

7 Reconnaissance (Recce)

The organizer will NOT provide stage notes. During the reconnaissance, each team will make their own notes. It is strongly recommended teams participate in recce.

7.1 Registration Schedule

Friday June 19, 2026 and Saturday June 20, 2026, per the event schedule. All competitors must complete event registration before recce to avoid penalties under NASA GRR 2.15.

7.2 Reconnaissance Vehicle Insurance

It is important to note that the vehicle used for reconnaissance must be covered by insurance in accordance with NASA GRR section 2.3.2.

7.3 Reconnaissance Vehicle Identification

The event may issue identification stickers for recce vehicles. If issued, instructions for placement will be provided via bulletin.

7.4 Reconnaissance Schedule

Reconnaissance will be permitted June 19th only. A schedule will be published via bulletin

Reconnaissance Speed Limit and Advisory Notes
Speed limit during recce is 30 mph.

During both recce and the rally, any interaction with any regulatory agency resulting in a traffic ticket or citation that would reflect poorly on the Rally, may be subject to DISQUALIFICATION with no refund. Judgment of fact is solely at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course. The decision is final and there is no process for appeal.

Competitors are reminded that stage roads will be open to normal traffic during reconnaissance and that they must drive in a manner that does not endanger or inconvenience other traffic. Either law enforcement or event officials using any method can and will check speed compliance.

Competitors are reminded that all stages are turn around stages. YOU WILL ENCOUNTER TWO WAY TRAFFIC. Do not ignore the published schedule.

7.5 Reconnaissance Vehicle

No competition vehicle may be used for reconnaissance. No reconnaissance vehicle may have decals or numbers unless provided by this event.

8 Administrative Checks and Registration

8.1 Location

Hardwood Community Center.

8.2 Times

See the rally schedule above.

8.3 Documents to be presented

The following items will be checked at registration:

- Online entry (driver info, co-driver info, vehicle info, license, etc.) with all required information completed.
- Event waivers will be presented for signature.

8.4 Competitor Packet

Competitors may download to their device (smart phone, tablet, laptop etc.) the most current supplementary regulations and bulletins. A road book may be sent, via email, to all the competitors before the event. A printed road book will be available to all competitors.

All competitors will receive CUP Hardwood Rally car vinyl package at registration upon completion of all administrative checks and signature of required waivers.

There will be no "Service Packet".

9 Scrutineering

Scrutineering time and location is found on the rally schedule. Scrutineering will check the safety and eligibility of the vehicles to compete. Vehicles may also be checked for general roadworthiness, verification of VIN, or other aspects of vehicle legality. All safety gear to be worn by competitors (fire suit, helmet, head restraint) must also be presented with the vehicle for examination.

In an effort to control congestion in and around the Hardwood Community Center, it is requested that teams not bring transport trailers onto the community center grounds. Trailer unload and parking instructions will be provided via bulletin.

9.1 Log Books

Log books may be retained by the Chief Scrutineer. If retained, log books must be picked up at the end of the event. The Chief of Scrutineering will be made aware of any DNFs and those

vehicles will be inspected before the log books are returned. Following the event, any remaining log books may be mailed to you at your expense by contacting the Chief of Scrutineering. Please ensure you get your log book before you leave the event.

No logbooks will be issued at this event unless prior arrangements are approved by the Chief of Scrutineering well ahead of time.

9.2 Parc Exposé

There is no scheduled Parc Exposé at Hardwood CUP Rally.

10 Start of the Rally

10.1 Publication Times of Starting Order

After close of registration June 19th, 2026.

10.2 Official Time

Official time will be synchronized to the NASA timing tablet as displayed on a Registration table. Hardwood CUP Rally is run in Central Time. Timing and Scoring sync comes from the cellular network, so typically your phone will show the correct official time.

10.3 Ceremonial Start

There will not be a ceremonial start

10.4 Official Start Location

MTC1 at the exit of the Hardwood CUP Rally Service Area on Dufresne Rd

10.5 Official Start Time

See the stage schedule on the NASA Rally Sport website

10.6 Maximum Permitted Lateness

The MPL for competition vehicles is 15 minutes or as determined by the Clerk of the Course for special cases.

10.7 Notification of Traffic Violations

Any competitor, who receives a traffic violation or discovers that their Team has received a traffic violation, must notify the Clerk of the Course as soon as possible. Penalties will be awarded as per NASA Rally Sport GRR's or as determined by event officials. Any crew or team failing to take documented action to notify the Clerk of the Course at the next service or time control immediately following the receipt of the traffic violation may be subject to the additional penalties up to exclusion from the event and loss of rally license.

10.8 Retirement

Any crew retiring permanently from the rally must report such retirement to the organizers/stewards as soon as possible or by using the electronic communication (text message, email, online inquiry system). Any crew failing to comply will be liable to a sanction at the Stewards' discretion.

10.9 Re-Starting

Hardwood CUP Rally is all about seat time but there are limited opportunities for returning a vehicle to the field. The only point at which any reentry will be considered is following the single service. The vehicle must be re-inspected by the Chief Scrutineer and approved by the Steward and the Clerk of the Course. The vehicle will be scored as a DNF.

Competitors will be re-inserted as close to their previous position as possible.

10.10 Red Flag Rule

Hardwood CUP Rally will utilize the NASA Red Flag Rule. Red Flag procedures will be published by a competitor bulletin prior to the rally.

11 Service Areas

11.1 Location

Dufresne Rd, Hardwood, MI (will be marked as described above Section 2.8 of this document.)

11.2 Fueling Zone

Fueling is permitted in your service area if the vehicle is on the ground, no one is in the vehicle, it is not running, a waived crew member or volunteer is actively manning a fire extinguisher. All of these provisions are per NASA Rally Sport GRRs. A tarp must be used under the vehicle when being serviced. Any spills of liquids must be immediately contained, cleaned up and properly disposed.

11.3 Access Times for Service Vehicles

Service team members may enter and begin set-up in the service area on June 21st starting at 9:00 AM

Vehicles not registered for service may not enter the service area. All individuals, including team members, crew, and any spectator, must sign the event waiver and wear a bracelet demonstrating that the waiver has been signed. There will be ample parking around the service area for non-registered vehicles.

11.4 Trash disposal

All trash must be removed. Pick up your trash and the trash of others. Trash left behind will be removed and teams responsible may be fined to pay for cleanup. Never mind the public shaming that will be executed. Remember, we are guests of the community. Leave your service area cleaner than you find it.

12 Trophies and Prizes

Event trophies will be awarded. How many will be based on number of entrants. The more entries, the more trophies.

13 Results

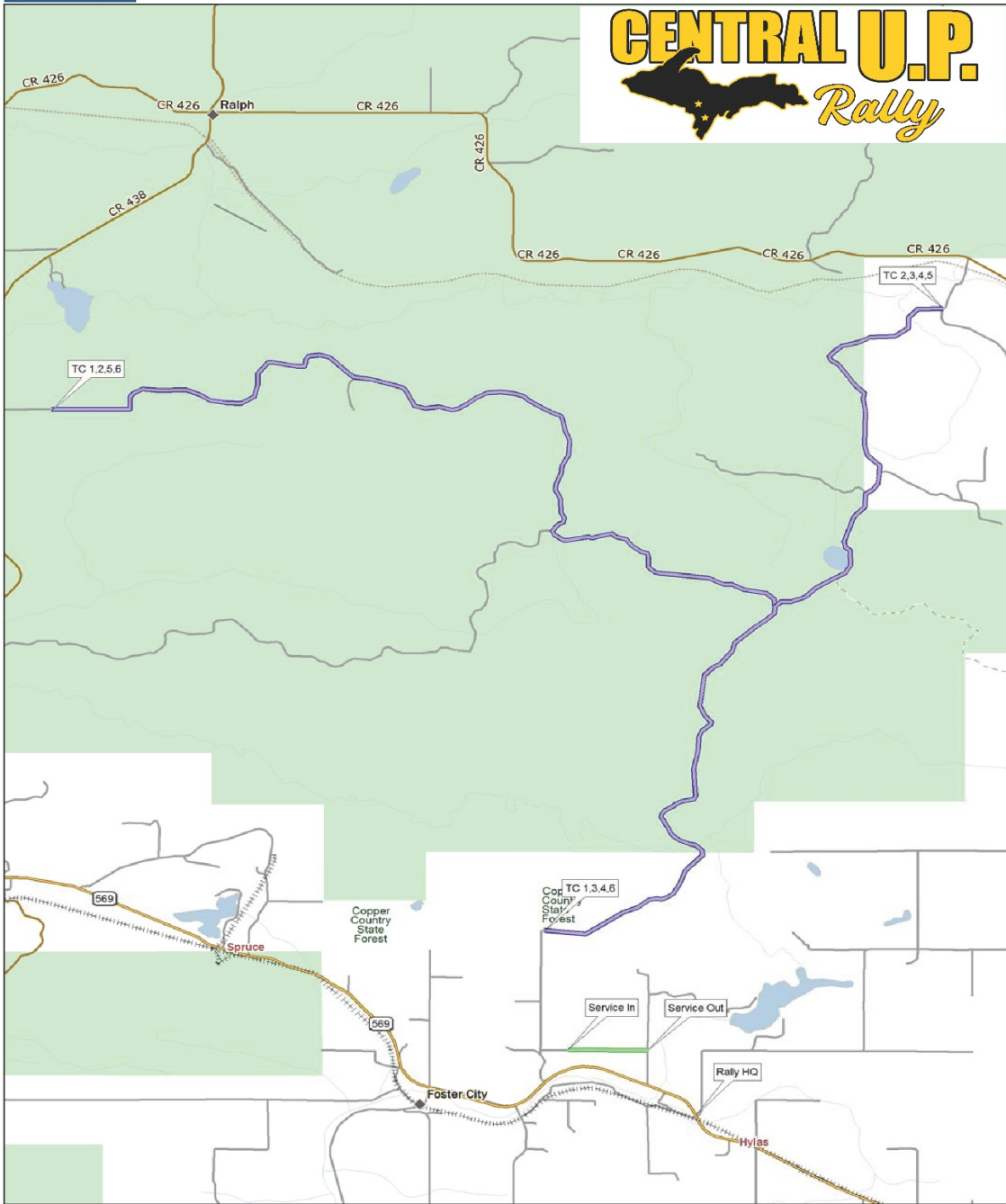
13.1 Publication of Provisional and Final Results

Provisional and final results will be posted on the NASA Rally Sport website in accordance with the NRS GRRs.

14 Stage Maps

Official maps will be published in advance of the event, do not use online maps previously available on the website unless it specifically indicates it is OFFICIAL with a date printed on it or contained in official published documentation (Route Book, Sportity, etc.).

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