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PRESS STATEMENT

MOTORSPORTS COVID -19 SPECTATORS PROTOCOLS

The Kenya Motor Sports Federation (KMSF) is the national motorsports governing body mandated to oversee rallying, autocross, karting, and hill climb events by the government and the International Motorsport Federation (FIA).

These disciplines and especially the eight rounds counting towards the Kenya National Rally Championship (KNRC) are a huge crowd's pullers for people of all ages and walks of life.

Motorsports like all other sporting events were suspended in March 2020 by the government to contain the spread of Covid-19 Pandemic, which continue to claim lives. Action resumed early this year.

We noted the enthusiasm of rally fans in the 2021 first four rallies events that turned up in large numbers. They have been the pillar of rallying, and we really thank them for standing with the sport at the darkest hour of the pandemic.

Our next rally event will be held on Sunday, March 28, 2021, in Machakos County organised by Kenya Motor Sports Club (KMSC).

But this rally coming a week since the government tightened and introduced new Covid-19 Protocols which included a ban on political gatherings, the KMSF wishes to state the following;

- 1: The federation fully supports the government's efforts to contain the rising numbers of Covid-19 related cases and will play its role of the Citizen Social Responsibility.
- 2: In-line with the government and FIA Covid-19 guidelines, the federation will not allow spectators in the Machakos Rally at the start/finish areas, and the entire rally route as a measure to discourage social gatherings.
- 3: However, officials, team mechanics, sponsors, and the media will be allowed in their work stations. But they will be required to observe social distancing, hand hygiene, and wear face masks, and may be required to produce medical testing records. The KMSF/KMSC medical team will be at hand to ensure the above is followed.
- 4: This unprecedented decision has been taken to contain the third waves of Covid-19 but is by no means permanent but will be reviewed from time to time.


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