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1. Introduction – Welcome

It is my pleasure to welcome You to Estonia, the country where rally has been an attraction for decades. Estonian rally drivers and competitions are well-known all over the world and we are glad that we have been hosting European Historic Sporting Championship and European Rally Championship for several years. Our aim is to offer a great weekend to competitors as well as spectators.

Organising Historic and modern round of European Rally Championship together expands the limits of so many things starting from the organising team and budget and ending with the emotion the biggest autosport events in the Baltics brings

As in previous years, a special emphasis of auto24 Rally Estonia is on Tartu – the second largest city in Estonia. The whole entertainment program, open-air concert, Tartu Summer Fair, EXPO area, a full day programme with local performers will entertain the rally guests in Tartu again.

I believe the roads of our Special Stages are the best in Estonia and we have tried to keep them similar to the stages of the previous years. Nevertheless, we have included some new narrower and trickier sections to make the stages more challenging for the drivers and more thrilling for the spectators.

This year's addition to the rally is special Open class. The aim of the Open class competition is to offer to former and present powerful and extraordinary cars and drivers a possibility to take part in auto24 Rally Estonia and to bring more spectacularity and emotion into the rally.

The organising team of auto24 Rally Estonia has done and will continue doing everything possible to make the competition enjoyable to everyone, regardless if You are in a rally car or watching the cars drive. From my side, I wish all the competitors good luck and may the best crew win!

Urmo Aava
Director of auto24 Rally Estonia Historic 2016

2. Contact details

2.1 Organiser's Name / Permanent Secretariat, address and contact details

Rally Estonia MTU
 Address: Veerenni 56a, 11313 Tallinn, Estonia
 Tel: +372 56 966 699
 E-mail: info@rallyestonia.ee
 Web: www.rallyestonia.com

2.2 Rally Organisers

Rally Director	Urmo Aava	urmo@rallyestonia.ee	+372 56 903 100
Technical organisation	Silver Kütt	silver@rallyestonia.ee	+372 56 244 666
Cooperation and Marketing	Tarmo Hõbe	tarmo@rallyestonia.ee	+372 50 86 961
Rally Coordinator	Kristi Jeenas	kristi@rallyestonia.ee	+372 56 966 699
Press relations	Margus Kiiver	margus@rallyestonia.ee	+372 566 410 68
Hotels, accommodation reservations	Kristel Volver	booking@rallyestonia.ee	+372 58 666 503

2.3. Officials of the rally

Clerk of the course	Silver Kütt	silver@rallyestonia.ee	+372 56 244 666
Chief Safety Officer	Priit Priimägi	priit@rallyestonia.ee	+372 52 17 196
Rally Secretary	Karmen Vesselov	karmen@rallyestonia.ee	+372 52 74 097
Media Officer	Margus Kiiver	margus@rallyestonia.ee	+372 566 410 68
Service Park Manager	Kalle Kaart	kalle@rallyestonia.ee	+372 534 339 20
Chief Scrutineer	Karmo Uusmaa	karmo@autosport.ee	+372 51 33 654
Competitors Relations Officer	Carl Johan Wolff		+358 400 609 305 (from 13.07.2016)

2.4. Rally HQ contact details

Rally HQ location from Wednesday 13 July until Sunday 17 July

Tehvandi Sport Center
 Address: Nüpli küla, 67408 Otepää, Estonia
 Phone: +372 73 55 101 (active from 13 July)
 e-mail: karmen@rallyestonia.ee

Rally HQ opening hours:

Wednesday 13 July	15:00 – 20:00
Thursday 14 July	7:00 – 22:00
Friday 15 July	7:00 – 23:00
Saturday 16 July	7:00 – 24:00
Sunday 17 July	7:00 – 21:30

2.5. Media contact details

Media Officer	Margus Kiiver	margus@rallyestonia.ee	+372 566 410 68
Assistant Media Officer / Media Centre Coordinator	Evelyn Kuningas	evelynkuningas@gmail.com	+372 5398 2918
Satellite Media Centre Coordinator	Rauno Paltser	rauno@autosport.ee	+372 51 86 248

2.6. Main GPS coordinates

Rally HQ and Media Centre	58°03'271" 26°30'153"
Ceremonial Start and Podium Finish	58°22'806" 26°43'527"
Pre-Start Scrutineering	57°59'318" 26°44'780"
Final Scrutineering	58°20'954" 26°43'989"
Parc Fermé	58°22'906" 26°43'421"
Service Park	58°03'271" 26°30'153"
Satellite Media Centre	58°22'847" 26°43'661"

3. Programme and deadlines

3.1. Programme before the rally week

Monday 2 May 2016: Opening date for entries.

Monday 27 June 2016 at 18:00: Closing date for entries.

3.2. Programme during the rally week

Thursday 14 July 2016:

18:00-21:00 Road Book issued to Competitors.
Competition numbers and documents issued to competitors at Rally HQ. Signing on, administrative checks.
Checking of the reconnaissance cars in front of Rally HQ

Friday 15 July 2016:

07:00-10:00 Road Book issued to Competitors.
Competition numbers and documents issued to competitors at Rally HQ. Signing on, administrative checks.
Checking of the reconnaissance cars in front of Rally HQ

08:00-16:00 Reconnaissance
at any time between 09:00–17:00 First aid training for crews (duration approximately 15 minutes) in First Aid Station in Rally HQ

16:30-17:00 Cars enter pre-start area

17:00 First stewards' meeting in Stewards' Meeting Room, *Otepää*

17:30 Drivers' presentation at Town Hall Square, Tartu. No overalls necessary

18:30-22:00 Scrutineering at Weizenbergi 63a, Kanepi, according to the following schedule:

cars 1 - 12 18:30-20:00

cars 14 - 25 20:00-21:00

cars 26 - ... 21:00-22:00

23:00 List of crews admitted to start and exact start times.

Saturday 16 July 2016:

11:50 Start of 1st leg – Service Park OUT, *Otepää*

15:08 End of 1st leg - Parc Fermé, *Otepää*.

17:00 Publication of partial unofficial classification of 1st leg.

18:00: Publication of starting order for 2nd leg.

Sunday 17 July 2016:

08:30 Start of Leg 2 from Parc Fermé

12:07 End of Leg 2, Rally Finish at *Town Hall Square, Tartu*.

13:00 Ceremonial Finish, Prize-giving Ceremony and Press Conference at *Town Hall Square, Tartu*.

13:30 Parc Fermé (*corner of Vabaduse Str and Gildi Str, Tartu*).

14:00 Final checks in *Veho Eesti AS (Citroen Centre) Tähe 110, Tartu.*
 16:00 Publication of provisional final classification.

4. Entry details

4.1. The rally counts for the following titles and cups:

- FIA European Historic Sporting Rally Championship 2016

*FIA European Rally Championship will be run separately the same weekend after Historic rally in compliance with its own Supplementary Regulations and separate classification.

4.2. Entry and entry fee

- **Closing date for entries**
Monday 27 June at 18:00.
- The entry fees for the Competition are fixed at **600 € + VAT (720 €) per car** if entry with payment reaches the organiser on Friday 3 June 2016 at 24:00 at the latest; and **700 € +VAT (840 €) per car** if entry with payment reaches the organiser after 3 June 2016 at 24:00 but before Monday 27 June 2016 at 18:00.
- VAT is payable by all Competitors, except those Competitors from another EU member State who supply their VAT number with their entry.
- The entry fee includes:

Service park area	6x8 m ²
Road Book	2 sets
Supplementary Regulations	1 set
Rally Map	2
Rally Programme (SPORT magazine)	1
Reconnaissance Control Sheet	1
Competition Numbers and stickers	
Reconnaissance number	2
Rear side window stickers	2
Door stickers (number + rally plate + sponsors)	2
Rally plate	1
Service vehicle sticker (TEAM)	1
Rally Passes	
Competitor	2
Team	4

5. Service Park

5.1 Location and service space

The Service Park is located at Otepää Tehvandi Sport Center. Surface: tarmac and gravel. **NB!** No drilling allowed on Service Park tarmac.

GPS coordinates: 58°03'271'' 26°30'153''

- Layout of Service Park displaying Service space designated to each competitor, will be published on Official Notice Board and Virtual Notice Board (www.rallyestonia.ee).

5.2 Service Park rules

In Service Park, the following rules apply:

- All crews are obliged to have a liquid-proof tarp of minimum 3x5m under competition cars.
- Drilling or any other damages to the surface of the Service Park have to be avoided.
- Teams are asked to bring weights for fixing their tents.
- Each competitor is liable for the damages to the Service Zone allocated to them.
- After the rally, the Service Park has to be handed over in tidy condition.
- The crews are responsible for the removal of their waste and sewage.
- A minimum of two 6kg fire extinguishers are required in crew's service area.
- **Catering within the Service Park**

Using open fire (grill, log fire) in Service Park is prohibited.

Apart from the provision of a catering service for the drivers and service crew personnel of a team, any other form of catering or sale of food and beverages in the Service Park is prohibited. The only exception is where a written agreement has been entered into between a team and the organisers.

- Competitors who fail to comply with Service Park rules are subject to a penalty starting from 300 EUR up to exclusion.

5.3 Access to Service Park

One service vehicle per entrant is allowed in Service Park. The vehicle must be clearly identified by a "Team" sticker issued by the organiser and affixed on the windscreen.

Team plates (stickers) must be affixed to the upper side of the windscreen on the right (passenger) side. Removal of the sticker is prohibited until the end of the rally. Penalty for the infringement set by Organiser is 500 EUR.

Reconnaissance cars are not allowed to enter Service Park. Nearby Parking area will be available for the other registered vehicles (Recce/VIP).

5.4 Available services

The following services will be arranged at the Service Park (without charge):

- Toilets and garbage area
- Rally Car washing area
- General lighting
- Wireless Internet access for teams

The following paid services may be ordered by using the Service Park order form published on www.rallyestonia.com :

- Extended service area
- Power supply
- Personal toilet

5.5 Security

Overnight guarding of the Service Park will be arranged by the Organisers, however the Organisers are not responsible for any losses, thefts or damages etc. – all items are left at their owner's risk.

5.6 Service Park contact details

For any questions or additional information, please contact service@rallyestonia.ee . On-site please contact Service Park Manager Kalle Kaart: phone +372 534 339 20.

5.7 Medical care

Medical Centre is located on the ground floor of Rally HQ in Otepää; please see the drawing of Rally HQ in Appendix.

6. Import of vehicles and spare parts

- Competitors coming from the European Union do not need to make any special custom clearance for temporary import of cars and equipment with the purpose to participate in auto24 Rally Estonia.
- Entrants from outside the European Union have to report to the customs at arrival in Estonia.
- Please contact the Custom authorities in Estonia **well in advance**, on telephone Estonian Tax and Customs Board (Narva mnt 9j, 15176 Tallinn) Phone: +372 880 0814 for current information about the correct procedure.

7. Hotel & accommodation reservations

- Rally organisers have reserved some hotels and other commercial accommodation facilities in Tartu and Otepää for teams and competitors.
- For accommodation booking please send your request on time to booking@rallyestonia.ee.
Contact for competitor and team accommodation: Kristel Volver, e-mail kristel@rallyestonia.ee, phone +372 58 666 503

Information about accommodation in Tartu

Tartu Visitor Centre

www.visittartu.com/en/

phone: +372 744 2111

faddress: Raekoda, 50089 Tartu

e-mail: info@visittartu.com

Information about accommodation in Otepää

SA Otepää Turism

www.otepaa.eu/en/

Address: Tartu mnt 1, 67404 Otepää

Phone: +372 766 1200

e-mail: turism@otepaa.ee

Information about accommodation in Elva

Elva Tourist Info

<http://matkakeskus.elva.ee>

Address: Pargi 2, Elva

Phone: +372 733 0132

e-mail: i-punkt@elva.ee

8. Reconnaissance

8.1 . Reconnaissance registration

Reconnaissance registration will take place at the same time with administrative checks as follows:

Thursday 14 July 18:00 – 21:00

Friday 15 July 07:00-10:00

Location: Rally HQ, Tehvandi Sport Center, Otepää

8.2 Reconnaissance schedule

- **FRIDAY, 15 JULY at 08:00-16:00**

8.3 Registration form

The duly completed reconnaissance registration form, including details of the reconnaissance car, driver and co-driver and accommodation during the rally, has to be submitted during the registration or sent by e-mail to karmen@rallyestonia.ee before registration.

8.4 Checking of Reconnaissance cars

Reconnaissance cars will be checked after collecting reconnaissance materials in front of Rally HQ and also during reconnaissance. Reconnaissance cars must comply with Art.8.5.4 of the Supplementary Regulations. .

If the crew during the reconnaissance for any reason is forced to replace the reconnaissance car, the secretariat (phone: +372 73 55 101) must be informed about the details of the new reconnaissance car. The GPS tracking unit has to be re-installed to the new recce car. Failure to follow this procedure will result in refusal to participate in the reconnaissance.

8.5 Reconnaissance identification

- The crew will receive identification for their car (2 number stickers). The number stickers must be fixed to the top right of the front windscreen and rear right side window during reconnaissance at all the times.
- Each crew will be issued with a reconnaissance card valid for the passages through each Special Stage. The card will be given to competitors after checking of the recce car. This card must be carried in the reconnaissance vehicle and must be shown during reconnaissance to organisers and police. Failure to hand in this card will result in refusal to participate in the reconnaissance.

8.6 Number of passages

Reconnaissance is permitted a **maximum of 2 passages** over each Special Stage (Special Stages run twice are considered to be one Special Stage).

Crews will only be permitted to enter and leave Special Stages through the start and finish controls.

8.7 Number of persons on board

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During each passage through a Special Stage, a maximum of 2 persons (the crew) are permitted in the car.

8.8 Speed limit

All reconnaissance of the Special Stages has to be done at reasonable speed in accordance with Estonian traffic rules. The maximum speed set for the reconnaissance of the SS is 80 km/h, except for those areas in which there are speed limit signs or in residential areas (50 km/h or 30 km/h) or other limitations marked in the Road Book.

8.9 Restriction of Reconnaissance

Any driver, or his co-driver, who has entered or intends to enter the rally and who wishes to drive 3 months ahead the rally on any road which is or might be used as a Special Stage in that rally, may only do so after he has obtained the Organiser's written permission. Failure to respect this rule shall result in the driver being reported to the Stewards.

The restricted roads are published on the General Maps.

8.10 Radar detection equipment

The fitting or carrying of radar detection equipment during reconnaissance (or any other time in road traffic) is not permitted. Infringements will be reported to Stewards.

8.11 Rally-Safety-Tracking-System (GPS-tracking)

The Organiser will provide a rally-safety-tracking-system, which has to be used during reconnaissance in the reconnaissance car and during rally in the competition car.

- **Safety and tracking equipment principles.** Safety and tracking equipment will be connected with monitoring station which will store all the transferring data. All data will be also stored into the safety and tracking equipment. The device has autonomous power supply, which will maintain the functioning of the equipment during all the event. The device has "SOS" and "OK" buttons installed. Every device has its unique serial number, which will be assigned to every crew. Geographical position of every crew will be monitored during the reconnaissance and the rally at Rally Headquarters.
- **The deposit for safety and tracking equipment.** Every competitor during the issue of safety and tracking equipment has to pay 200 EUR deposit. Deposit will be returned to the competitor after returning the equipment on time and in proper condition.
- **The procedure of issuing and returning of safety and tracking equipment.** Safety and tracking equipment is issued during administrative checks. Collection of the equipment: The crew has to uninstall the equipment by themselves - GPS units and brackets must be disassembled from the rally cars by the crew after time control TC 13A, in the Regrouping/Technical zone. In case of retirement the GPS will be given to the GPS unit's team in Rally HQ by Sunday 17 July 17:00 at the latest.
- **The use of safety and tracking equipment.** The competitor is responsible for installing of equipment and putting the information sticker by himself. The same device is used during the reconnaissance and the event. Competitors must have installed the speed control and safety tracking devices in reconnaissance cars before reconnaissance starts. During the reconnaissance the device has to be installed in visible place that marshals and other rally officials could identify it. The crew which will not use the device during reconnaissance, has not installed device or has dismantled the device during the rally will be fined (1000 EUR) penalty and must install the device immediately. For repeated infringement the competitor will be fined (290 EUR) penalty fee.
- Safety and tracking equipment including the information sticker has to be installed into the rally car according to the scheme published on website www.rallyestonia.com . The system will be installed to the rally cars by the crews before Rally Start and shown to the Scrutineers in pre-start holding area on Friday 15 July.
- Competition cars not equipped with the GPS monitoring device will not be allowed to start.

9. Scrutineering

Venue: Weizenbergi 63a, Kanepi

Time: Friday 15 July 18:30-22:00

Scrutineering according to the following schedule:

cars 1 - 12	18:30-20:00
cars 14 - 25	20:00-21:00
cars 26 - ...	21:00-22:00

10. Start Procedure

- Before the drivers' presentation on start podium on Friday 15 July, the organisers will assemble all cars to pre-start area. All competition cars must arrive in this area at 16:30-17:00.
No overalls necessary.

➤ **Start procedure for Special Stages**

Start Procedure for Special Stages will be as follows:

- On the start position the crew stops when instructed by marshals;
- When the start marshal confirms the car is on the right start position – 40 cm before electronic controlled start line the car must stay immovable till start moment and the team must visually follow the light signal of light shield;
- On the light shield the time will be shown;
- 30 seconds before start the marshal passes the Time Card to co-driver;
- 25 seconds before start on the shield the remaining seconds until start will be shown;
- The last 5 seconds of the pre-start minute are marked with five red light signals. When all signals go out, the road for start is free;
- If the crew's car crosses the electronic controlled start line before the red lights go out, false start will be fixed automatically which will flash in with 5 seconds delay, penalization for false start accordingly to FIA RRSR Art.37.6.
- The start marshal makes the final decision about false start and notes this in the start report;
- In case of start system malfunction; the start will be given by a marshal.

11. Finish Procedure

After the final Stage all crews will continue to the end of rally podium finish in Tartu.

The finish of the rally will be at TC 16D. From there, competitors must follow instructions of the officials to drive over the finish podium.

Prizes for all competitors/crews will be awarded on the podium. For the first, second and third in the overall classification an "Olympic-style" podium will be used.

After the podium ceremony, cars will be driven straight to the final Parc Fermé.

➤ **Removal of cars from the Final Parc Fermé**

Cars may be removed from final Parc Fermé once the Stewards authorise its opening.

In order to collect their cars, drivers or their authorised representative must present the "Removal of car from the final PF" document issued by the Organisers to the marshal in charge. This document will be distributed to competitors when entering the final Parc Fermé.

12. PR-activities

During the rally days there will be a rally entertainment area close to the Podium area, featuring an entertainment programme, open-air concerts, shows, etc. There will be an EXPO-area of auto24 Rally Estonia cooperation partners and Tartu Summer fair – entertainment for the whole family. Estonian Road Administration is present introducing their Traffic Safety Programme.

13. Media

13.1 Contact details before the event

Media officer: Margus Kiiver
e-mail margus@rallyestonia.ee
phone +372 56 641 068

13.2 Accreditation procedure / criteria and deadline

- Detailed information about accreditation procedure, including accreditation rules and media safety rules, is published on website www.rallyestonia.com/media/accreditation/
- The online accreditation form is published at the same location.

- The duly filled accreditation form has to reach the Media Officer not later than 1 July 2016. Applications received after this date may not be accepted.
- **During the rally, only Rally Estonia official media tabards are eligible.**

13.3 Media Centre, Satellite Media Centre

Media Centre and Satellite Media Centre opening hours:

➤ Media Centre

Location: Rally HQ, Tehvandi Sport Center, Otepää
Tehvandi Sport Center, Otepää

Open:	14.07.2016	15:00-20:00
	15.07.2016	09:00-22:00
	16.07.2016	08:00-22:00
	17.07.2016	08:00-19:00

Contact: Ms. Evelyn Kuningas, phone: +372 5398 2918, e-mail evelynkuningas@gmail.com

➤ Satellite Media Centre:

Location: Atlantis Conference Centre, Narva mnt.2, Tartu

Open:	15.07.2016	14:00-22:00
	16.07.2016	closed
	17.07.2016	12:00-20:00

Contact: Mr. Rauno Paltser, phone: +372 51 86 248, e-mail rauno@autosport.ee

Accreditation materials can be collected only in the Media Centre in Otepää. Accreditation materials are not available in Satellite Media Centre in Tartu.

➤ Facilities in Media Centre

Results table	Printer
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13.4 Press Conferences

Press Conferences will be held on Podium during the podium ceremonies.

14. Police, medical and Safety Services

- **If You are in Estonia and need to call the police, fire or rescue services and ambulance, please dial the emergency call number 112 (available even if the SIM-card is not installed).**
 - **Calls to phone number 112 are free of charge.**
 - Our police are there to help you. Don't hesitate to approach them if you are worried. Most speak English well or, if they don't, will quickly find a colleague who does. The Estonian Police are trained to give first aid.
 - **In case you need health care while staying in Estonia**
 - Only the necessary medical care is reimbursed (which has become necessary during your stay in Estonia).
 - Check if the provider of health care service has a contract with Estonian Health Insurance Fund (private care is not refundable).
 - Present your European Health Insurance Card.
 - In case you do not have a European health insurance card, request your institution of the place of residence to fax the Certificate provisionally replacing the European health insurance card.
 - In case you do not have a European health insurance card and it is not possible to get the Certificate provisionally replacing the European health insurance card, the doctor has a right to present you the bill.
 - Make sure you get the so called doctor's explanation form. (list of the health care services received).
 - In case of reimbursement, present the paid bills, documents of payment and doctor's explanation form to institution of the place of residence. More information: +372 669 6630 .
- * Emergency medical care unit: L. Puusepa Str. 8, Tartu, Section G1. Phone +372 731 8195, +372 731 8202 The accident ward and the emergency medical service unit are open 24/7. In Tartu, both the emergency medical care

unit and the accident ward are located in Puusepa St. 8. In the case of emergency treatment, you may always go to the emergency reception or call an ambulance.

- Charges are made to non EU citizens but unless you are critically ill and have to stay in hospital, these will usually be so low that you will not need to claim them back on insurance.

14.1. Useful phone numbers in Estonia

Police, Ambulance, Rescue Services and Fire Brigade	112
Tallinn Airport	+372 605 8888
Tallinn Harbour	+372 631 8550

Calling to and from Estonia. Mobile operators.

- The country code for Estonia is +372. So when you call from home its +372 followed by the local number.
- When calling home from Estonia, put 00 or + in front of your country code.
- For example if you want to call to England, you will need to dial +44 123456.

When you arrive in Estonia, you might be offered a choice of those three networks on your mobile screen:

- Telia +372 639 7130
- Tele2 +372 686 6866
- Elisa +372 660 0600

Hospitals

Tartu University Hospital	L.Puusepa 1A, Tartu	+372 731 9100
Valga Hospital	Peetri str.2, Valga	+372 766 5200

Dentists

Dentistry Clinic of Tartu Uni.	Raekoja Sqr 6, Tartu	+372 731 9100
Hiie Silm Hambaravi	Lipuväljak 13 Otepää	+ 372 765 5138

Pharmacies

Raekoja Pharmacy (open 24h)	Raekoda , Tartu	+372 742 3560
Lõunakeskus Pharmacy (9-21 hrs)	Ringtee 75, Tartu	+372 738 3056
Tartu Uni. Central Pharmacy	Poe 8, Tartu	+372 742 3593
Otepää Apteek	Lipuväljak 12, Otepää	+372 765 5049
Benu Pharmacy	Lipuväljak 28, Otepää	+372 766 3769

15. List of useful facts and services

15.1 General facts about Estonia

Geography

Estonia, officially the Republic of Estonia (Estonian: Eesti or Eesti Vabariik)

Capital: Tallinn

President: Toomas Hendrik Ilves

Government: Parliamentary republic

Area: 45 227 km²

land: 42 388 km²

water: 2 840 km²

1 520 islands in the Baltic Sea

Coastline:	3794 km
Land borders:	343 km with Latvia 338.6 km with the Russian Federation
Highest point:	Suur Munamägi, 318 m (near Võru)
Time difference:	UTC +3
Sunrise	4:30 AM (15 July, Tartu)
Sunset	10:23 PM (15 July, Tartu)

Climate

The weather in Estonia is largely dictated by its closeness to the Baltic Sea. In the summer the skies are blue and temperatures can reach 30° Celcius and the summer average is a very pleasant 16.4°C.

Population

ca 1.3 million people

Ethnic groups:	Estonian 69.8% Russian 25.4% other 4,9%
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Official language:	Estonian
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Traffic

- Visitors need driving licence, provided it is valid for the class of vehicle they wish to drive.
- The maximum speed limit is 90 km/h, in residential areas 50km/h, unless otherwise indicated.
- The use of front and rear seat belts is compulsory.
- The blood/alcohol limit in Estonia is 0 milligrams of alcohol per litre of blood (zero tolerance). Driving while under the influence of drugs and alcohol is prohibited and strict penalties are in place for anyone caught doing so.
- It is illegal for drivers to use a mobile phone without a hands-free device and holding a telephone in hand while the vehicle is moving.
- Headlamps must be on at all times while driving.
- Don't cross the road unless the pedestrian light is green. Even if you think it is safe to cross on the red light, you never know where traffic may come from. Do wait the necessary few seconds and then You will be absolutely safe..

Money and currency in Estonia

- The currency in Estonia is Euro.
- Credit cards: Euro card, MasterCard or Visa widely accepted, and American Express (not everywhere).

Other Information

- Water: Tap water is safe for drinking
- Health: No vaccination is required
- Power: 220 V (volts)
- Plugs and sockets are of a two pin design
- Smoking is not permitted by law in enclosed public places and workplaces.

More facts about Estonia are available on www.visitestonia.com

The city of Tartu

The university city of Tartu sits on the Emajõgi river. The large student population and wealth of museums means that the city is always alive with interesting and new events to entertain you.

Come to Tartu and see the famous kissing sculpture, meet the Tartu ghost (perhaps) and use it as a base for your South Estonia explorations.

Tartu is Estonia's second largest city (population: 97 570 inhabitants) and also the oldest one in the Baltic States – first mentioned in 1030.

Tartu has always been the intellectual capital of Estonia. It is the cradle of the Estonian Song Festival, Estonian Theatre and the Estonian State. In the period Estonians call "The national awakening" Tartu was known as the Athens of the Emajõgi River ("Mother River") and until now the city has retained its intellectual and bohemian ambience.

[Tartu University](#) is one of the oldest universities in Northern Europe (founded in 1632) and has produced many eminent scientists and scholars of international repute such as Baltic German biologist Karl Ernst von Baer and famous Russian semiotician and culturologist Juri Lotman. Tartu still has a very large student population and the best time to meet them is in spring, where The Student Spring Days combine youthful exuberance with academic traditions.

Perhaps you will encounter the "Tartu Ghost" – a mysterious being that makes you spend too much time and come back to Tartu over and over again. Where does the Ghost live? Nobody knows, but you can feel its presence almost everywhere- in the city district [Supilinn](#), ("Soup Town"), on [Toome Hill](#), in the cosy little cafeterias and in the University. Local people also say that time flows slower in Tartu.

Decorated with terra cotta details, Tartu's St. [John's church](#) (Jaani kirik) is considered a prime example of European Gothic architecture. The nearby [St. Anthony's Court](#) (Antoniuse Õu) acts as a marketplace where Estonian craftsmen sell a range of goods from pottery to leather to cloth artwork.

Theatre performances, concerts, festivals, conferences happen all year round. Tartu is a hot bed of creative and scientific culture: with high quality promenade concerts, the Emajõgi River Summer theatre, the Hanseatic Days and various music events – you'll never get bored. Tartu is also home to [more than 20 museums](#).

Tartu is a city for everybody- families, intellectuals, [backpackers](#), [romantic couples](#), [people interested in culture and art](#)- you name it! There are always reasons to come back – not least to warm up your relationship with the Tartu Ghost.

For more information please visit www.tartu.ee, www.visittartu.com, www.visitestonia.com

The town of Elva

Elva - a lovely summer resort with beautiful nature and stunning wooden architecture, is located only twenty minutes drive from Tartu and little more than two hours drive from Tallinn.

Within easy reach and well worth exploring there are beautiful natural surroundings characterized by the clear watered lakes, picturesque riverbanks, peaceful forest parks and pinewoods.

Elva is famous for its lakes, such as Verevi, Arbi and Paisjärv. These are favourite swimming spots for many.

Elva is unique to its forest parks and abundance of pines: a third of the total territory of the town lies under forest parks and nearly 90% of the trees growing there are pines.

A dominant element in Elva is the train station which today is a visitors' information center and which used to be an important trade route in the past centuries.

Detailed information on hikes on foot or by bicycle can be obtained from the visitors' information center. The Elva river, with old water mill sites and rapid banks, is popular for canoeing. In winter skiers can participate in the [Tartu Marathon](#), belonging to the [Worldloppet](#) series. Its 60 km track from Otepää to Elva can be cycled through on mountain bikes in summer.

For more information please visit <http://elva.kovtp.ee>, www.visitestonia.com

The Municipality of Otepää

Otepää is a small town set in the hills of south Estonia.

It is the most well-known winter sports centre in the Baltics and the Winter Capital of Estonia. Otepää got its name, which in Estonian means "bear's head" after the shape of the castle hill - which reminds you of a bear's head. It's also where in 1224, Bishop Hermann started building the first known brick castle in Estonia, The Stone Fort.

In summer you can hike along the paths of the Otepää Nature Park, see the landscape of rolling hills and lakes, romantic winding village roads and small rivers. Beautiful views open from observation towers on top of Tehvandi and Harimägi hills. You can also take part in different sports or simply have a good time at lake Pühajärve, which is a jewel among Estonian lakes. Pühajärv was also the first Estonian lake to earn the Blue Flag in 2000.

Those who believe in supernatural power should pay a visit to the so-called "energy pillar" in Otepää. It is believed that when you touch it, it will give you a great shot of energy and good health.

In wintertime Otepää is a winter sports paradise for skiers, snowmobile riders and for anyone who enjoys the snow: there are slalom slopes equipped with elevators and lots of cross-country tracks.

Tehvandi Centre is recognised as an all year round training area among high level sportsmen and Kääriku has, for more than half a century, been a favourite of Estonian winter sports fans. Otepää and its surroundings are where Estonian Olympic medalists (such as Jaak Mae, Andrus Veerpalu and Kristiina Šmigun) have lived and trained.

For more information please visit www.otepaa.eu, www.visitestonia.com

Airports

Airport	status	Distance to Rally HQ in Otepää	Website	Phone
Tallinn Airport	international	221 km	www.tallinn-airport.ee	+372 605 8888
Tartu Airport	Flights to Helsinki (Finland)	36 km	www.tartu-airport.ee	+372 73 09 210
Riga Airport	international	219 km	http://www.riga-airport.com	+371 293 11187
Helsinki airport	international	329 km (overseas)	http://www.finavia.fi/en/helsinki-airport	+358 200 14636

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Audi	Forss, Aardla 23c Tartu, +372 733 7020, www.forss.ee
Citroën	Veho Eesti, Tähe 110 Tartu, +372 731 1434, www.veho.ee
Ford	Info-Auto, Turu 27, Tartu, +372 733 7930, www.volvo.infoauto.ee
Hyundai	Amserv, Ringtee 32, Tartu, +372 730 0666, www.amserv.ee
Mitsubishi	Silberauto, Ringtee 61, Tartu. +372 730 0720, www.silberauto.ee
Nissan	Autospirit, Turu 47, Tartu, + 372 6599 499, www.autospirit.ee
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Subaru	Mariine Auto, Ringtee 63, Tartu, +372 740 804, www.mariineauto.ee
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Tudengi Takso	1300
Vatex Takso	1700, +372 736 6566
Tartu taksod	+372 455 5555

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- **Hertz**, Ahtri 12, Tallinn, phone +372 611 6333, Fax +372 611 6209, e-mail hertz@hertz.ee
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- **Hansarent (cars and buses)**, Tallinn and Tartu, Phone + 372, Fax + 372 655 7155, e-mail booking@hansarent.ee, www.hansarent.ee

Fuel stations in Tartu

Fuel station	Address
STATOIL	Narva mnt 21
	Turu 6
	Kalda tee 1
	Ringtee 71
	Turu 32a
	Võru mnt 250
	Võru mnt 81
Olerex	Jaama 82
	Aardla 107
	Aardla 27b
	Vahi 5
	Veeriku 1
Neste Oil	Ringtee 52
	Kalda 1b
	Võru 172
	Narva mnt 29
Alexela	Ringtee 69c
	Tuglase 19
	Ringtee 75b
	Anne 46
	Kalda tee 24b
	Era 2A

Fuel station in Otepää

Alexela	Tartu mnt 24
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Fuel stations in Elva

Olerex	Valga mnt 3
Alexela	Kulbilohu tn.3

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Useful phrases in Estonian language

Hello - Tere

Thank you - Aitäh, tänan

Please - Palun

Excuse me - Vabandust

I'm sorry – Palun vabandust

Good evening - Tere õhtust

Good morning - Tere hommikust

Good afternoon - Tere päevast

Good night - Head ööd

Goodbye - Nägemist, head aega

Where are you from? - Kust te pärit olete?

What is your name? - Mis te nimi on?

Bon appetit - Head isu!

I don't speak Estonian - Ma ei räägi eesti keelt

I don't understand - Ma ei saa aru

I love you - Ma armastan sind

Help! - Appi!

Call the police! - Helistage politseisse!

Happy Birthday - Palju õnne sünnipäevaks!

WELCOME TO ESTONIA!