

The 2023 Mountain Gorilla Rally will be contested from Friday 22-24 September on the rough terrain of Bugesera district.

According to the itinerary released this week, the activity of the three-day rally will start on Friday, with the opening ceremony and two qualifying stages at Kigali Convention Centre from 15h:30 to 18hours.

The competitive part of the rally will commence on Saturday, September 23, with the day including four special stages (three repetitive), in Gako, Ruhuha, and Gasenyi for which the organizers has designed a very similar route perfecting and highlighting all the novelties released in previous races.

Many of the same stages will be used again when the rally provides the spectacular scenery while the engines roar return for six competitive super stages in Nemba.

The final day of the event all see the crews conclude with another competitive three super stages (SS9-11) in Kamabuye.

The itinerary offers 348.18 km in the three days of the race and 11 special stages on iconic rough roads.

Given that the final classifications will be published late at 15:15pm, the award giving ceremony to be held on Sunday at 16:30am at BK Arena.

Also, the organizing committee has made it clear that the reconnaissance will only be allowed for one passage of each special stage for each crew.

In addition, the use of helicopters or any aircraft, including drones by competitors during the rally is forbidden.

The 22nd Mountain Gorilla Rally is the last round of the 2023 African Rally Championship event.

Kenya's Karan Patal won the 2022 edition.