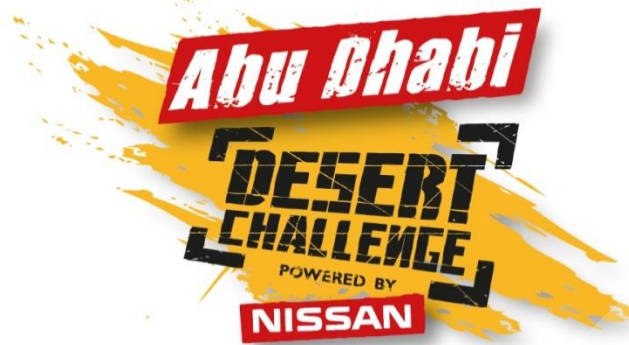




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2019 Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge

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A round of the;

2019 FIA Cross Country World Cup (cars)

2019 FIM Cross Country World Cup (motorcycles)

*Organised by the Automobile & Touring Club of the
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Rally Guide (V6 – 14 03 2019)





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Introduction

The world's ultimate desert rally, the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge returns for its 29th Anniversary edition in 2019 and is once again set to push participants to their physical and mental limits over some of the toughest yet most dramatic scenery the world has to offer. No other rally pits competitors against such demanding terrain – wave after wave of some of the world's most spectacular sand dunes – yet simultaneously takes in five-star luxury in the form of the stunning hotel that is located right in the middle of the Rub al Khali (Empty Quarter) desert and acts as the race's base, and the dynamic, cutting-edge capital of the UAE, Abu Dhabi.

Mohammed Ben Sulayem, President of the Automobile and Touring Club of the UAE (ATCUAE) and of the UAE Motorcycle Club (UAEMC), is the founder and driving force behind the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge.

Now returning for its 29th running for Autos and 24th for Moto's, the Desert Challenge is once again being held across the emirate of Abu Dhabi, from the 30th March to 04th April 2019, with spectators able to enjoy unrivalled access to the action in a number of breath-taking settings with dedicated, easy-to-access viewing points in the beautiful desert of the Western Region of Al Gharbia.

As in recent years, the race bivouac will again be located adjacent to the magnificent Qasr Al Sarab Desert Resort by Anantara. This venue provides a unique contrast between the harshness of endurance rallying and the supreme luxury of the amazing five-star resort, while simultaneously focusing the eyes of the world on Al Gharbia. This year's rally serves as a round of the FIM Cross-Country Rallies World Championship, and the FIA World Cup for Cross Country Rallies. Registration is open until the first week of March 2018 to competitors driving cars and trucks complying with FIA T1, T2, T3 and T4 technical regulations, and motorcycles and quads running under the auspices of the FIM.

The Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge is held under the patronage of H.H. Sheikh Hamdan Bin Zayed Al Nahyan, the Ruler's Representative in the Western Region, and organised by the ATCUAE with the backing of a number of major sponsors. These include the Ruler's Court in the Western Region, Western Region Municipality, Abu Dhabi Municipality, the UAE Army, Abu Dhabi Police, Abu Dhabi Motorsport Management, Nissan, ADNOC, National Ambulance Service, Abu Dhabi Aviation, Al Ain Water, Abu Dhabi Waste Management, Rotana and Centro Hotels – Yas Island, Qasr Al Sarab Resort, Explorer and DP World.



Past Winners

| AUTO | | | |
|-------|--------------------------|---------------------|--------------------|
| Years | Driver | Co-Driver | Vehicle |
| 2018 | Martin Prokop | David Pabiska | Ford F-150 Evo |
| 2017 | Sheikh Khaled Al Qassimi | Khalid Alkendi | Peugeot 3008DKR |
| 2016 | Nasser Al Attiyah | Mathieu Baumel | Toyota Hilux |
| 2015 | Vladimir Vasilyev | Konstantin Zhilstov | MINI All4 Racing |
| 2014 | Vladimir Vasilyev | Konstantin Zhilstov | MINI All4 Racing |
| 2013 | Nani Roma | Michel Perin | MINI All4 Racing |
| 2012 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | Konstantin Zhilstov | Schlessler Buggy |
| 2011 | Stéphane Peterhansel | Jean Paul Cottret | MINI All4 Racing |
| 2010 | Leonid Novitskiy | Andreas Schulz | BMW X3 |
| 2009 | Guerlain Chicherit | Tina Thorner | BMW X3 |
| 2008 | Nasser Al Attiyah | Tina Thorner | BMW X3 |
| 2007 | Stéphane Peterhansel | Jean Paul Cottret | Mitsubishi Evo |
| 2006 | Luc Alphand | Gilles Picard | Mitsubishi Evo |
| 2005 | Stéphane Peterhansel | Jean Paul Cottret | Mitsubishi Evo |
| 2004 | Hiroshi Masuoka | Andreas Schulz | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 2003 | Stéphane Peterhansel | Jean Paul Cottret | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 2002 | Stéphane Peterhansel | Jean Paul Cottret | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 2001 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | Henri Magne | Schlessler Megane |
| 2000 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | Jean-Marie Lurquin | Schlessler Renault |
| 1999 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | Henri Magne | Schlessler Renault |
| 1998 | Jean Pierre Fontenay | Gilles Picard | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 1997 | Ari Vatanen | Fred Gallagher | Citroen Rally Raid |



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|------|-----------------------|-------------------|---------------------|
| 1996 | Bruno Saby | Dominique Serieys | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 1995 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | xxxx (Solo) xxxx | Schlessler Original |
| 1994 | Jean-Louis Schlessler | xxxx (Solo) xxxx | Schlessler Original |
| 1993 | Saeed Al Hajri | Henri Magne | Mitsubishi Pajero |
| 1992 | M. Mattar | H.A. Bin Shahdoor | Landrover Defender |
| 1991 | M. Mattar | H.A. Bin Shahdoor | Landrover Defender |

| MOTO | | |
|------|-------------------|---------------|
| Year | Rider | Motorcycle |
| 2018 | Pablo Quintanilla | Husqvarna 450 |
| 2017 | Sam Sunderland | KTM 450 |
| 2016 | Toby Price | KTM 450 |
| 2015 | Marc Coma | KTM 450 |
| 2014 | Paulo Gonçalves | Honda 450 |
| 2013 | Marc Coma | KTM 450 |
| 2012 | Marc Coma | KTM 690 |
| 2011 | Marc Coma | KTM 690 |
| 2010 | Marc Coma | KTM 690 |
| 2009 | Marc Coma | KTM 690 |
| 2008 | Cyril Despres | KTM 690 |
| 2007 | Marc Coma | KTM 660 |
| 2006 | Marc Coma | KTM 660 |
| 2005 | Cyril Despres | KTM 660 |
| 2004 | Isidre Esteve | KTM 660 |
| 2003 | Cyril Despres | KTM 660 |
| 2002 | Cyril Despres | KTM 660 |
| 2001 | Cyril Despres | KTM 660 |
| 2000 | Jimmy Lewis | BMW 900 RR |



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|------|----------------------|-------------|
| 1999 | Fabrizio Meoni | KTM 660 |
| 1998 | Heinz Kinigadner | KTM LC4 660 |
| 1997 | Jordi Arcarons | KTM 660 |
| 1996 | Stephane Peterhansel | YAMAHA M3 |
| 1995 | Heinz Kinigadner | KTM |

| QUAD | | |
|------|-------------------------|------------------|
| Year | Rider | Quad |
| 2018 | Kees Koolen | Barren Racer 690 |
| 2017 | Al Musallam Fahad | Yamaha |
| 2016 | Rafal Sonik | Honda |
| 2015 | Mohammed Abu Issa | Yamaha |
| 2014 | Rafal Sonik | Yamaha |
| 2013 | Mohammed Abu Issa | Yamaha |
| 2012 | Obaid Al Kitbe | Honda |
| 2011 | Nick Black | Yamaha |
| 2010 | Obaid Al Kitbe | Honda |
| 2009 | Sebastien Husseini | KTM |
| 2008 | Lionel Laine | KTM |
| 2007 | Sebastien Husseini | Suzuki |
| 2006 | Atif Al Zarouni | Honda |
| 2005 | Ricardo Leal Dos Santos | Yamaha |

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Federations

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|----------------------|------------|-------------------|--|
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| AUTO – National | ATCUAE | +971 4 296 11 22 | info@atcuae.ae |
| MOTO – International | FIM | +41 22 950 95 00 | info@fim.ch |
| MOTO – National | UAEMC | +971 4 296 11 22 | motouae@eim.ae |

Event Regulations

2019 FIA World Cup for Cross-Country Rallies Sporting Regulations

[HERE](#)

2019 ADDC Auto Supplementary Regulations

[HERE](#)

2019 FIM Cross-Country Rally World Championship Sporting Regulations

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2019 ADDC Moto Supplementary Regulations

TBD

Programme of the Rally

OPENING DATE FOR ENTRIES:

- Thursday 06th December 2018

CLOSING DATE FOR ENTRIES:

- Friday 08th March 2019

PUBLICATION OF ENTRY LIST

- Friday 22nd March 2019

OPENING OF MEDIA CENTRE AND MEDIA ACCREDITATION:

- Place: Rally HQ, Yas Marina Circuit, Support Pits
- Time: 08h00-18h00, Thursday 28th March 2019

PRE-RALLY PRESS CONFERENCE:

- Place: Media Centre, Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 11h30, Thursday 28th March 2019



ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS & COLLECTION OF MATERIAL AND DOCUMENTS:

- Place: Rally HQ, Yas Marina Circuit, Support Paddock
 - 12h00-16h00 Friday 29th March 2019 (UAE Entries) &
 - 06h30-15h00 Saturday 30th March 2019 (in accordance with the published entry list)

DATE OF SCRUTINEERING OF THE VEHICLES, MARKING AND SEALING:

- Place: Operations Compound (AUTO) & Support Pits (MOTO), Yas Marina Circuit
 - 13h00-17h00 Friday 29th March 2019 (UAE Entries)
 - 07h00-16h30 Saturday 30th March 2019.

FIRST STEWARDS MEETING

- Place: Rally HQ, Yas Marina Circuit, Support Paddock
- Time: 17h00, Saturday 30th March 2019

COMPULSORY COMPETITOR SURVIVAL KIT & MEDICAL BRIEFING:

- Place: Media Centre, Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 17h30, Saturday 30th March 2019

COMPETITORS BRIEFING:

- Place: Media Centre, Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 18h30, Saturday 30th March 2019

PUBLICATION OF START LIST FOR LEG 1

- Place: Rally HQ, Yas Marina Circuit, Support Paddock
- Time: 18h30, Saturday 30th March 2019

CEREMONIAL START AND ISSUE OF THE ROAD BOOK LEG 1:

- Place: Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 19h30, Saturday 30th March 2019

LEG 1

- Place: Liwa Desert
- Time: Sunday 31st March 2019

ISSUE OF THE ROAD BOOK LEG 2:

- Place: Liwa Bivouac
- Time: 16h00 Sunday 31st March 2019
 - Competitors Briefing @ 19h00
 - Publication of Start List Leg 2 @ 21h00

LEG 2

- Place: Liwa Desert
- Time: Monday 01st April 2019

ISSUE OF THE ROAD BOOK LEG 3:

- Place: Liwa Bivouac
- Time: 16h00 Monday 01st April 2019
 - Competitors Briefing @ 19h00
 - Publication of Start List Leg 3 @ 21h00

LEG 3

- Place: Liwa Desert
- Time: Tuesday 02nd April 2019



ISSUE OF THE ROAD BOOK LEG 4:

- Place: Liwa Bivouac
- Time: 16h00 Tuesday 02nd April 2019
 - Competitors Briefing @ 19h00
 - Publication of Start List Leg 4 @ 21h00

LEG 4

- Place Liwa Desert
- Time: Wednesday 03rd April 2019

ISSUE OF THE ROAD BOOK LEG 5:

- Place: Liwa Bivouac
- Time: 16h00 Wednesday 03rd April 2019
 - Competitors Briefing @ 19h00
 - Publication of Start List Leg 5 @ 21h00

LEG 5

- Place: Liwa Desert
- Time: Thursday 04th April 2019

FINISH OF THE RALLY:

- Place: Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 12h30, Thursday 04th April 2019

FINAL TECHNICAL CHECKS:

- Place: Operations Compound, Yas Marina Circuit
- Time: 13h00, Thursday 04th April 2019

FINAL STEWARDS MEETING

- Place: Rally HQ
- Time: 15h30, Thursday 04th April 2019

PUBLICATION OF PROVISIONAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:

- Place: RALLY HQ
- Time: 16h00, Thursday 04th April 2019

PUBLICATION OF OFFICIAL FINAL CLASSIFICATION:

- Place: RALLY HQ
- Time: 16h30, Thursday 04th April 2019

CEREMONIAL PODIUM FINISH:

- Place: YAS MARINA CIRCUIT
Time: 17h00, Thursday 04th April 2019

PRIZE-GIVING:

- Place: Yas Marina Circuit, F1 Paddock
- Time: 20h00, Thursday 04th April 2019

Official Notice Board

- Monday 25th March, 09h00, to Saturday 30th March 2019, 22h00

Support Pits, Rally HQ, Yas Marina



- Sunday 31st March, 12h00 to 08H00 Thursday 04th April 2019
- Thursday 04th April 2019, 08h00 to 20h00

Rally Bivouac, Liwa

Support Pits, Rally HQ, Yas Marina

Sustainability Statement

ATCUAE is playing a leadership role in development of motorsport and encouraging motor sport stakeholders across UAE to incorporate best practices of sustainability framework by pursuing a holistic approach to environmental concerns. ATCUAE strives to adhere to the Best Practice Principles (BPP) framework of FIA by setting up core elements of its environmental impact and incorporating systematic approach to Environmental Management System (EMS).

ATCUAE commitment is defined as follows:

1. Collaboration with motor venues, organizers, sport clubs and competitors to promote and guide towards best environmental practices
2. To collaborate with government entities and comply with legal requirements and legislation on national and international levels
3. Encourage motor sport stakeholders across UAE to pursue sustainable actions for environment
4. Support FIA Action for Environment
5. Demonstrate commitment to BPP by continuously improving on sustainability performance
6. Continue to raise awareness of environmental concerns to senior management, staff and volunteers
7. Minimize core elements of environmental impact by preserving water resources, implementing responsible waste management and energy saving systems
8. Comply with legal requirement and legislation on national and international levels
9. Conduct an annual review of EMS to review environmental objectives and targets.

Purpose

ATCUAE recognises its vital role to play in delivering a better quality of life and environment for everyone in the UAE, both now and for future generations. We are committed to achieving continuous environmental improvement in all our activities and services. We will strive to reduce our own impact



and make every effort to promote awareness of local and global issues that will facilitate sustainable development practices.

Principles

The ATCUAE will address the social, economic, and environmental considerations of sustainable development, defined as ensuring a better quality of life, according to the following principals:

- Social progress that recognises the needs of everyone,
- Effective protection of the environment
- Prudent use of natural resources.

Sustainable development is about what we do and the way we think. It's about community empowerment and involvement, volunteering, and giving back to the society that we live in.

We recognise the interdependence of individuals and groups with the natural and built environments, which means seeing, and making connections between different aspects of our lives; social, economic, and environmental, and building links between the local and the global, understanding chain reactions, and assessing and sharing resources.

We are committed to enabling volunteers to participate in society, feel that they belong and make a difference, build strengths, and enhance skills, and are supportive of volunteers taking responsibility and leadership.

The ATCUAE is committed to sustainability, which means understanding a sense of looking forward, not focusing on the present, recognising the limits of knowledge, thinking of consequences, making things last, renewing and recycling, safeguarding resources, and meeting local needs locally wherever possible.

Sustainable Communities

The ATCUAE is committed to contribute to sustainable community development where people are happy to live and work, meeting the diverse needs of the UAE residents. We contribute by engaging communities in motor sports, developing their skills, knowledge and confidence.

Sustainable development is about establishing social relationships of trust, of social capital, and is the core of active community participation and the key to a better quality of life. We operate a network of people with motorsport interests who have the desire to invest their time in running events in, and for, the UAE's benefit, who train other volunteers, and communicate and share their lives with others.

For sustainable development to be meaningful it must start with people making decisions about their lives, taking responsibility, giving back to the society and participating in the community, learning new skills, and recognising the consequences of actions.



We have identified the learning and skills development needs of UAE citizens, taking into account the unique demographic, economic and cultural factors of the country, and are implementing the plan to raise the level of involvement.

Resource Use

The ATCUAE will incorporate materials efficiency measure to reduce running costs. It will minimise resource consumption by:

- Reducing the amount of waste we produce by reducing our consumption and integrating effective methods of recycling,
- Promoting reuse, recycling and proper disposal of goods,
- Reviewing supplier products,
- Shifting towards electronic means of communication.
- Manage the use of energy, by shifting towards environmentally friendly products.

Transport

The ATCUAE is promoting public and shared transportation as the main means of travel to and from events to reduce traffic generation and its associated environmental impacts.

Application

ATCUAE Sustainability Statement is publicly endorsed and available on the website.

All staff, volunteers and other stakeholders have access to this policy and it should be referred to in decision-making and throughout team meetings.

Monitoring and Review

ATCUAE Sustainability Policy is reviewed on an annual basis by Sustainability Manager. Sustainability Manager works closely with the appointed Environmental Steward to make sure that all our daily and events based actions are completely adhered to sustainable principles, listed in our statement.

Accommodation

Yas Island Rotana is a 4 star deluxe hotel, and the Official Hotel and recommended accommodation in the city of Abu Dhabi. The hotel is located at Yas Plaza immediately opposite the Rally HQ in the Support Pits of Yas Marina Circuit.



Yas Island Rotana offers 6 exquisite dining venues; to suit all taste. The state-of-the-art recreation facilities include a temperature controlled swimming pool, exquisitely designed massage treatment rooms, Sauna, Steam rooms, Jacuzzi and a well- equipped health and fitness centre.

Adjoining Yas Island Rotana is the more affordably priced **Centro Yas Island**, operated by the same management as the Rotana. Centro Yas Island is a 3 star, 259 room hotel featuring a range of amenities and restaurants.

We have negotiated a special rate for ADDC competitors and guests:

Please click [HERE](#) to download the booking form. Once the form is completed, please email the forms to groups.yasisland@rotana.com. You may also call **+971 2656 4839** for any further inquiries.

Legs 1 to 5 in the Desert

Qasr al Sarab is a world class 5 Star desert resort located in the Empty Quarter on the edge of the Liwa Oasis, and has been the site of the ADDC bivouac for the last few years.

The resort offers a world class standard, with a choice of rooms and villas spread over 2km of dunes encapsulating the breath taking scenery of the desert, and the luxurious Arabian architecture and hospitality.

Qasr Al Sarab's accommodation features luxury fibres and earthy hues. All rooms have sliding glass doors opening to a terrace with desert views. They offer a deep soaking bath, rain shower and a pillow menu.

The Al Waha restaurant serves fine Arabic cuisine, while food at the Suhail is French inspired. Light meals are served at Ghadeer restaurant, featuring an island setting accessible via bridges.

The hotel rates for the event are detailed on the booking form which may be accessed on the link below.

There is limited availability in Qasr Al Sarab, and rooms will be allocated on a first come first served basis, at the hotels discretion. Please

Click [HERE](#) to download the booking form. Once the form is completed, please email the forms to crome@anantara.com . You may also call + 971 2 895 8700 for any further inquiries.



Media Information

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Insurance

The entry fee includes cover for civil liability of the competitor from the Start of Documentation until retirement/exclusion, the limit for protests and appeals, post event Scrutineering.

Competitive vehicles (non GCC) are covered for Civil Liability towards Third Parties (Road Legal), from (and including) 24th March 2019 to (and including) 06th April 2019. At the organizers discretion, a separate fee may be charged for each service vehicle that would require insurance.

This cover provides for a maximum liability, in respect of any one claim or series of claims resulting from one accident, of Dh 5,000,000. Damages to rally and/or service cars as well as the liability of a crew member towards other crew members are not covered by the insurance provided by the organizers.

Repatriation and medical insurance is included in the entry fee to a level of €150,000.

Pertinent Insurance Related Requirements

Competitors are reminded that Service Vehicles that are registered overseas are not insured in the UAE. The Organiser is able to ensure such vehicles for the duration of the event, provided that said vehicle/are registered with the organisation utilising the official event SERVICE VEHICLE REGISTRATION FORM and notably, also submitting a clearly scanned colour copy of the vehicle registration certificate (all pages/both sides). All documents will be verified at Administrative Checks. Competitors are furthermore reminded that UAE Rental Vehicles and all insurance related obligations are the sole responsibility of the competitor.

International Liaison Offices

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Entry Fees

Dubai, Abu Dhabi Entry Incentive

To encourage greater entries at the two international events in the UAE, it has been agreed that any competitor participating in the two events in 2018 (Dubai International Baja and Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge) will be entitled to a 20% discount on the entry fee for the SECOND event (service and media fees are not included).



This refund of 20% of the entry fee will only be refunded once the competitor has been confirmed to start both events. The refunds will be processed by the ATCUAE.

This discount is applied upon the competitor, not the vehicle. For example, a competitor who does each of the events in a different vehicle will be entitled to a discount, while one vehicle which is used by a different competitor on each event will not be entitled to a discount. Crews will be allowed to change co-drivers between events without it affecting their discounts. ***PLEASE NOTE THAT THE DISCOUNT DOES NOT APPLY TO ANY ADDITIONAL RELATED COSTS, I.E. INSURANCE, SERVICE CREW REGISTRATION, ETC.***

Auto

FIA titles for which the rally counts:

- World cup for Drivers,
- World cup for Co-Drivers,
- World cup for Teams,
- FIA cup for T2 drivers
- FIA cup for T2 teams
- FIA cup for T3 drivers
- FIA cup for T3 teams
- FIA Trophy for drivers of two-wheel drive cars
- FIA Trophy for two-wheel drive cars Manufacturers

Registration

Competitors are reminded that in order to score points in the FIA World Cup classifications, you have to register with the FIA before the closing date for entries of the first World Cup Baja/Rally entered (Arts 1.3 and 1.4 of the 2019 Sporting Regulations of the FIA World Cup for Cross-Country Rallies). The online registration form is available in the area of the FIA website dedicated to the World Cup (www.fia.com). The entry is free of charge.

A National Class, for vehicles not in conformity of international regulations for T1, T2, and T3 vehicles and not counting towards FIA World Cup points, will also be included in the event. The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fees or by a receipt issued by the competitor's National Sporting Authority.

| | AUTO | | | TRUCK | | |
|---|------|-----|----------|-------|-----|----------|
| | UAE | GCC | Overseas | UAE | GCC | Overseas |
| Tracking and Timing (Sporttraxx) – *A deposit of €1000 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |



| | | | | | | |
|---|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|-------|
| Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF) - *A deposit of €1,700 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Public Liability Insurance | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| 3rd Party (off Highway) Insurance | | | | | | |
| Repatriation Insurance | X | ✓ | ✓ | X | ✓ | ✓ |
| 3rd Party (on Highway) Insurance | X | X | ✓ | X | X | ✓ |
| Gala Dinner Ticket | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Bivouac catering and accommodation | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Merchandise | 2 | 2 | 2 | 3 | 3 | 3 |
| Fuel | X | X | X | X | X | X |
| Entry Fee (AED) | 10800 | 14300 | 25300 | 14300 | 18675 | 29800 |
| Entry Fee (USD) | 2940 | 3890 | 6890 | 3890 | 5080 | 8110 |

* Entry fees valid to 08th February 2019, thereafter +20% until the close of entries.

All entries MUST be submitted to entry@atcuae.ae before the closing date of 08th March 2019.

⚠ VAT of 5% in INCLUDED in the Entry Fee.

Should an Invoice be required, please forward a "Request for Invoice" e-mail to Janette@atcuae.ae together with a copy of relevant payment remittance and specify detailed Invoicing Info.

The AUTO entry form can be downloaded from: [HERE](#)

⚠ Pertinent (AUTO) Entry Related Requirements

When the organizer submits the entry list for approval of the FIA, it is obliged to include all FIA Technical Passport numbers (TT-XX-XXX) and, for T2 and T4 vehicles only, all FIA Homologation Form numbers.

If the competing vehicle is new, please note that the competitor is obliged to submit a scanned copy of the new FIA Technical Passport proving that the vehicle has been pre-checked by a qualified ASN in the country of origin/registration (as per the regulations – see Art. 4.14 of 2019 CCR GP).

Lastly, in addition to the fully completed and signed Entry Application Form, it is essential to send legible scanned copies of;

- FIA Entrants License (if applicable/different from Driver/Co-Driver),
- ID photographs of Driver & Co-Driver,
- Valid Driving License of Driver & Co-Driver (front and back),
- FIA Competition Licences of Driver & Co-Driver,
- ASN Starting Permission/No Objection Letter (Overseas licenced only),



- *Passports of Driver & Co-Driver (Overseas domiciled only),*
- *Residence Visas for Driver & Co-driver (UAE domiciled competitors only),*
- *Valid registration document of competing vehicle (front and back/all pages),*
- *Written authorisation from vehicle owner for the Driver & Co-Driver to use the vehicle in competition (if vehicle is not owned by member of competing crew),*
- *ATA Vehicle Carnet signed by relevant authority in country of origin,*
- *First page of FIA Homologation document (T2 vehicles only),*

** Please note that competitors who are unable to provide the requested scanned documentation, without any lawful cause, may not appear on the published entry list.*

Moto

FIM titles for which the rally counts:

- FIM World Championship 450cc (riders and manufacturers)
- FIM Cross-Country Rally World Cup (only riders):
 - Quads
 - Women
 - Junior

A separate class will be run for bikes above the capacity of 450cc as required by the FIM World Championship. Those entered into this class will not be eligible for points in the FIM world Championship. The entry application will only be accepted if accompanied by the total entry fees or by a receipt issued by the competitor's National Sporting Authority.

| | MOTO | | |
|--|------|-----|----------|
| | UAE | GCC | Overseas |
| Tracking and Timing (Sporttraxx) - *A deposit of €1000 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Navigation and Sentinel (ERTF) - *A deposit of €1,700 needs to be lodged @ Documentation for the safe return of equipment | X | X | X |
| Public Liability Insurance | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| 3rd Party (off Highway) Insurance | ✓ | ✓ | ✓ |
| Repatriation Insurance | X | ✓ | ✓ |
| 3rd Party (on Highway) Insurance | X | X | ✓ |
| Gala Dinner Ticket | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| Bivouac catering and accommodation | 1 | 1 | 1 |
| FIM Single Event License | ✓ | X | X |
| Merchandise | 1 | 1 | 1 |



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|-----------------|------|------|-------|
| Fuel | X | X | X |
| Entry Fee (AED) | 8300 | 9300 | 13800 |
| Entry Fee (USD) | 2260 | 2530 | 3760 |

* Entry fees valid to 08th February 2019, thereafter +20% until the close of entries.

All entries MUST be submitted to entry@atcuae.ae before the closing date of 08th March 2019.

⚠ VAT of 5% in INCLUDED in the Entry Fee.

Should an Invoice be required, please forward a "Request for Invoice" e-mail to Janette@atcuae.ae together with a copy of relevant payment remittance and specify detailed Invoicing Info.

The MOTO entry form can be downloaded from: [HERE](#)

Navigation and Safety Equipment

Tracking and Timing

Following a successful usage in 2016, 2017 & 2018 the ADDC will again use timing and tracking system provided by rally specialists Sporttraxx. The system will utilize GSM & SATELLITE based tracking.

The cost of the Tracking and Timing system has been integrated into the Entry Fee. No additional brackets or cables need to be purchased for this system but will be provided and installed by Sporttraxx during technical verifications. All vehicles need to arrive at Technical Verification with a power supply connected directly to battery; this open end cable needs to be made available on the dashboard, on the co-driver side. For motorcycles the cable needs to be situated under the instruments tower.

For motorcyclists, the main device will be fixed on the bike and the small wireless remote control will be carried on their person. For cars it will be fixed to the vehicles roll cage and the remote control will be accessible on the dashboard. No external antenna is required. The internal batteries last for the entire duration of the event.

Competitors will be required to lodge a deposit of **€1000** at event registration; afore-mentioned deposit will be reimbursed upon the safe return of the Tracking and Timing Equipment.

Navigation and Sentinel

The ADDC will continue working with ERTF to provide navigation and sentinel for competitors. The cost of these devices is **NOT** included in the Entry Fee and must be paid directly to ERTF.

AUTO



Information about the ERTF system for AUTOs can be read [HERE](#).

Please download the AUTO order Form [HERE](#) and email to competition@ertf.com before the 15th March 2019.

MOTO

Information about the ERTF system for MOTOs can be read [HERE](#).

Please download the MOTO order Form [HERE](#) and email to competition@ertf.com before the 15th March 2019.

Prizes

The following trophies will be awarded at the prize giving on the evening of 04th April 2019:

Auto

| | |
|--------------------------------|----------------|
| 1st Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 2nd Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 3rd Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 4th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 5th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 6th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 7th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 8th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 9th Overall | (Two trophies) |
| 10th Overall | (Two trophies) |

Class Awards:

| | |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|
| 1st in each Class | (Two trophies) |
|-------------------------------------|----------------|

Other Awards:

| | |
|---|----------------|
| Best All Ladies Team | (Two trophies) |
| Team Award | (One trophy) |
| Two-Wheel Drive Trophy for Drivers | (Two trophies) |
| Two-Wheel Drive Trophy for Manufacturers | (One trophies) |

GCC Competitors**

| | |
|------------------|--------------|
| 1st Place | (Two trophy) |
|------------------|--------------|



2nd Place (Two trophy)
3rd Place (Two trophy)

Moto

For each FIM Class: 450, Junior, Quad and Women,

1st Place (one trophy)
2nd Place (one trophy)
3rd Place (one trophy)

Other Awards:

Over 450cc*
1st Place (one trophy)
2nd Place (one trophy)
3rd Place (one trophy)
Team Award (five trophies)

GCC Competitors**
1st Place (one trophy)
2nd Place (one trophy)
3rd Place (one trophy)

**Not counting towards any FIM World Championship or World Cup, as per 2018 FIM Cross Country Rally regulations and general prescriptions.*

***Additional classification will be drawn among competitors who hold Gulf/UAE competition licenses.*

Service Info

For service crews attending the event, the following fees will apply:

| Item | Cost (AED) | Cost (USD) |
|---|------------|------------|
| Vehicle Pass: Rally Plate No. (Access to Bivouac + Service Roadbook + 250 liters of fuel included. Additional Fuel Vouchers available for purchase @ Documentation) | 1350 | 370 |
| Crews: Catering Wristband + Gala Dinner Ticket | 1460 | 400 |
| Optional: Additional set of Service Road Books | 1060 | 290 |
| Optional: Additional GALA DINNER Ticket | 365 | 100 |



Please complete the service crew/vehicle registration form [HERE](#) and send back to entry@atcuae.ae along with your competitor entry forms.

Please note that the ADDC will no longer organize UAE visas for Service Crews. Instead an 'Invite Letter' can be prepared upon request.

Additionally, please also complete and return the relevant payment summary below:

[UAE Entries](#)

[GCC Entries](#)

[Overseas Entries](#)

Bank Transfer

Account Name: Mohammed Ben Sulayem - UAE Desert
Challenge Account Number: 1012002872503
Bank Name: Emirates NBD
Branch: Main branch
Address: P. O. Box 777, Dubai, United Arab Emirates
Swift Code: EBILAEAD
IBAN: AE750260001012002872503

Shipping and Customs



The official shipping partner for the event is Gulf Agency Company (Dubai) LLC (GAC), who are headquartered in Dubai and industry renowned experts in logistics.

They will provide a full logistics service from your port of origin, including Insurance, shipping and customs clearance. For details on their Standard Operating Procedures (SOPs) - OCEAN, please see [HERE](#);

GAC, and their associate offices, are the only official logistics partner for the Abu Dhabi Desert Challenge, and we cannot guarantee cooperation with any other companies.

GAC have committed to providing shipping options for the following origins/ destinations:

- *Genoa, Italy,*
- *Durban, South Africa*
- *Marseilles, France*
- *Felixstowe/ Southampton, UK*
- *Hamburg/ Bremerhaven, Germany*
- *Sydney/ Freemantle, Australia*



For the Contact Info of GACs agents in these ports, please see the document [HERE](#). GAC can also offer shipping via sea or air from any location around the world.

For details of estimated shipping times and departure dates from each location, please see the document [HERE](#).

For a shipping quotation, please contact the GAC Project Manager Mr. Sudesh Chaturvedi in Dubai at projects.dubai@gac.com who will be able to put you in contact with the GAC office / agent in your region.

For those flying vehicles into a UAE airport and requiring assistance with customs clearance, please note that GAC can assist. See [HERE](#) for AIR procedures.

Shipping Container Sharing

The organisers have compiled container sharing options in conjunction with the following Shipping Agents;

- [EQUINOX](#)
- [IMPECO](#)

** Please click on the above links to access the respective options.*

Pertinent Shipping Related Requirements

PLEASE NOTE THAT ATA CARNET IS COMPULSORY FOR TEMPORARY IMPORTATION IN UAE UNDER ATCUAE EVENTS.

A copy of the ATA CARNET (signed by the authorities of the country of the Competitor) will be requested by ATCUAE to prepare the temporary customs documents and facilitate the temporary import with the Shipping Agents. NO OTHERS DOCUMENTS WILL BE ACCEPTED.

A copy of the FINAL AIR WAYBILL (transportation by air) or BILL OF LADING (transportation by sea) and a copy of the vehicle registration need to be attached with the ATA Carnet.

Itinerary

[HERE](#)

Location Maps

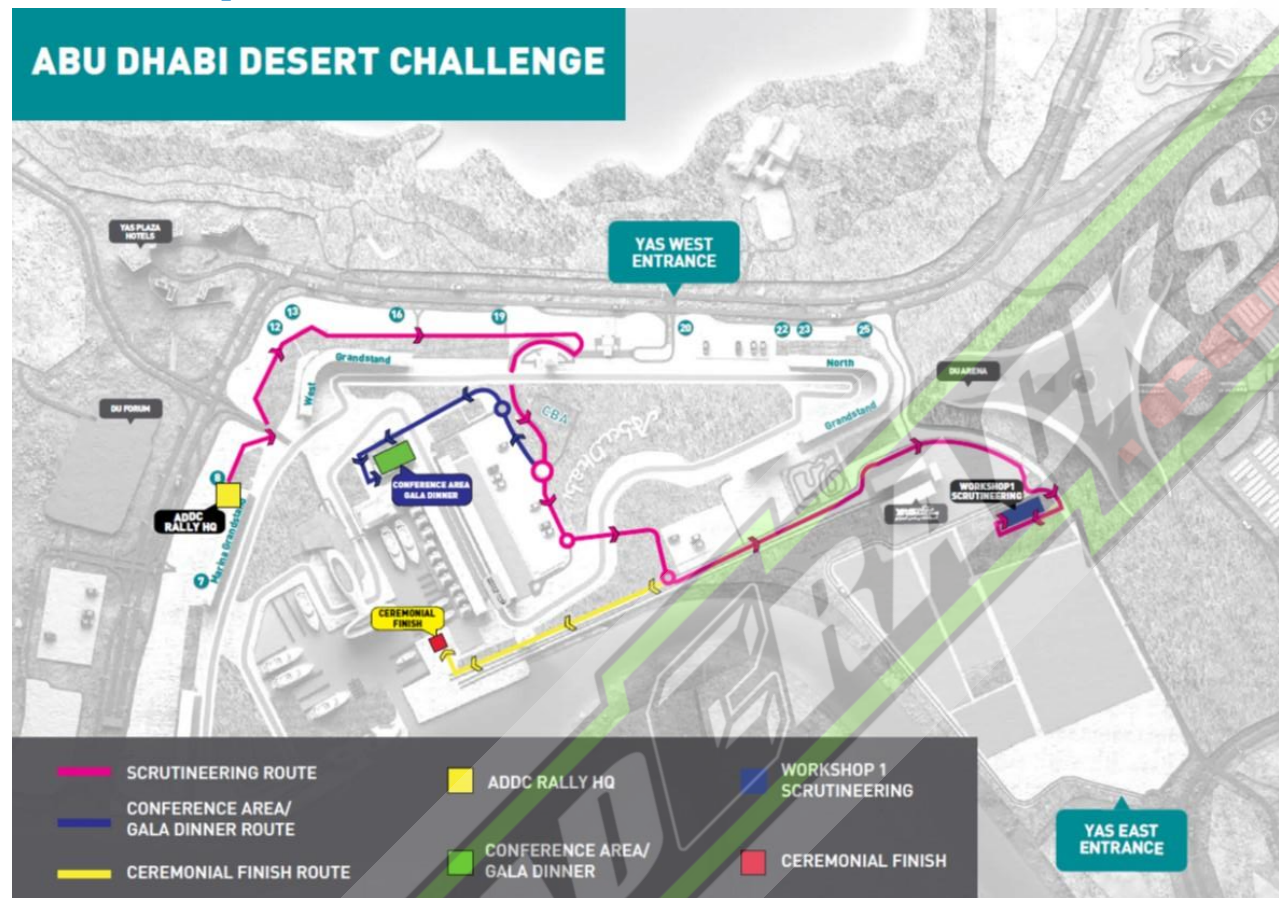


Figure 1: Yas Marina Circuit Complex Illustration

Pit Box Allocation at Yas Marina Circuit

A limited number of Pit Boxes will be available for rental at Yas Marina Circuit in the days leading up to and immediately following the conclusion of the event. These pit boxes will be allocated on a booking (first come, first served) basis. The rate will be **AED 1000** (excl. VAT) per day – **CASH BASIS ONLY**. The payment needs to be done in cash in return for the access key. The dates of the reservation need to be sent via email to janette@atcuae.ae 10 days prior to the commencement of Documentation.

Petrol & Diesel

FUEL STATION AT YAS MARINA CIRCUIT

Fuel will be available for purchase at Yas Marina Circuit.



95, 98 Octane and diesel will be provided from the pumps.

The **FUEL STATION 2** (adjacent to Support Pits/YAS Rally HQ) will be open from;

- **Wednesday 27th March to Saturday 30th March 2019** before the Rally.
- And on **Thursday 4th April 2019 (the day of the Finish)**.
- The exact hours of operation at **FUEL STATION TWO @ YAS MARINA** will be as follows;
 - Wednesday 27th March '19 : 09h00 – 18h00,
 - Thursday 28th March '19 : 09h00 – 18h00,
 - Friday 29th March '19 : 09h00 – 18h00,
 - Saturday 30th March '19 : 10h00 – 20h00,
 - Thursday 04th April '19 : 09h00 – 18h00.

Tickets/Fuel Vouchers may be purchased at YAS MARINA RACE SCHOOL, Ground Floor – Yas Central.

Tickets may then be redeemed at **FUEL STATION 2**.

! NEW REFUEL FACILITY AND PROCEDURE AT QASR AL SARAB BIVOUAC

Registered SERVICE VEHICLES will be allocated 250 litres in vouchers together with door plates.

Registered MEDIA will be allocated 250 litres in vouchers together with door plates.

Competing Crews will be required to **purchase** fuel vouchers for competing vehicles.

Please note that fuel that will be supplied by the Organiser at REMOTE REFUEL LOCATIONS (to those applicable vehicles), will be provided Free of Charge.

Additional Fuel VOUCHERS will be available for **purchase** at ADMINISTRATIVE CHECKS & at QASR AL SARAB BIVOUAC.

DIESEL, 95-Octane & 98 Octane will be provided from a **MOBILE TANKER** (via pumps).

The **MOBILE TANKER** will be located (adjacent to Bivouac/QASR Rally HQ) & will be open from;

- **Sunday 31st March 2019 to Thursday 04th April 2019.**
- The exact hours of operation at **QASR BIVOUAC** will be as follows;
 - Sunday 31st March '19 : 14h00 – 20h00,
 - Monday 01st April '19 : 06h00 – 10h00 & 14h00-20h00,
 - Tuesday 02nd April '19 : 06h00 – 10h00 & 14h00-20h00,
 - Wednesday 03rd April '19 : 06h00 – 10h00 & 14h00-20h00,
 - Thursday 04th April '19 : 06h00 – 10h00.

Pre-Event Test Stage

Specific details and procedures for utilisation of test stage will be publicised during the week prior to the event. A map with the location will be available at Rally HQ. Teams making use of the facility will be responsible for arranging all safety aspects, etc. themselves and need to remain wary that the location



could be in use by more than one team simultaneously. Organisers accept no liability for any related Test Stage activities. **One week prior to the commencement of event Documentation, please register your intention to utilize the facility by sending an e-mail to xc@atcuae.ae.**

General Information

Time zone

Abu Dhabi is falls within Gulf Standard Time (GST), which is UTC/GMT +4 hours.

UAE Visit Visas

If you are a national citizen of a GCC country you do not require a visa to visit the UAE. You will simply need to produce your GCC country passport or ID card upon arrival at the point of entry into the UAE.

Residents of the below 52 countries are entitled to a free 30 day tourist visa on arrival in the UAE.

| | | | | | |
|-----------|----------------|---------------|-------------|-------------|--------------|
| Andorra | Czech Republic | Ireland | Monaco | Russian | Switzerland |
| Argentina | Denmark | Italy | Netherlands | Federation | Ukraine |
| Australia | Estonia | Japan | New Zealand | San Marino | UK |
| Austria | Finland | Latvia | Norway | Seychelles | USA |
| Belgium | France | Liechtenstein | People's | Singapore | Vatican City |
| Brunei | Germany | Lithuania | Republic of | Slovakia | |
| Bulgaria | Greece | Luxembourg | China | Slovenia | |
| Canada | Hong Kong | Malaysia | Poland | South Korea | |
| Croatia | Hungary | Malta | Portugal | Spain | |
| Cyprus | Iceland | Mauritius | Romania | Sweden | |

All other Nationalities must procure a visa prior to travelling to the UAE.

Currencies

The local Currency is UAE Dirham (AED) = 100 fils.

The Dirham is tied to the US Dollar.

Most hotels will handle the exchange of foreign currency.

Exchange rate indications at the date of publishing:

- USD 1.00 = 3.67 AED
- EUR 1.00 = 4.39 AED
- GBP 1.00 = 4.96 AED

These rates are accurate as of 10th January 2019.

The import and export of both local and foreign currency are unrestricted. Amounts over AED 40,000 must be declared with the Customs.

Credit & debit cards: American Express, Diners Club, MasterCard and Visa are widely accepted.

Traveler's cheques: are widely accepted. To avoid additional exchange rate charges, travelers are advised to take traveler's cheques in US Dollars or Pounds Sterling.

Banking hours: Sat-Wed 0800-1300, Thurs 0800-1200. Some also open Sat-Wed 1630-1800.

Water

The tap water is heavily purified and safe to drink, but we would recommend the locally bottled mineral water (e.g. Al Ain Water).

Electricity

The electricity supply is 220/240 volts and 50 cycles; the socket type is the same as the three pin British system; most hotels have adapters for electrical appliances.

Fuel

Diesel and gasoline are allowed. Bio-diesel and AVGAS may be used during the event but is not supplied by the organization.

Petrol stations in the UAE are numerous and run by ADNOC in Abu Dhabi.

Most offer extra services, such as car wash, oil change. Almost all of them have small supermarkets.

The majority of visitors will find petrol far cheaper than in their home countries, prices range from AED 2.04 per liter for Special (95 octane), AED 2.24 per liter for Super (98 octane) to AED 2.33 per liter for diesel.

Vehicles with valid door plates will be permitted access to the fueling tanker in the bivouac at no additional cost; however it is not permitted to fill any jerry cans or containers.

Transportation

You can enter the Bivouac with a regular car, although 4x4 vehicles would be required for driving in the dunes. The organizers insist that only experienced desert drivers take vehicles off road. Only vehicles with valid door plates from the event will be permitted in the bivouac.

Crew

Competitors, Service Crews, Media, Officials and Organization personnel will all be identified with colored wrist-bands and ID badges.

Telecommunications

There are two telecommunication services providers in the UAE: Etisalat & Du.

The telecommunication tariffs are reasonably competitive.

The international dialing code of the UAE is +971.

Driving Rules

To drive in the UAE, you must hold an International Driving Permit and a driving license issued in your country of residence, or a driving license issued by a GCC country. Those on a non-UAE driving license are not permitted to drive privately owned vehicles in the UAE, only rental vehicles (competitive vehicles exempt).

In the UAE you drive on the right hand side of the road. It is mandatory to wear seatbelts.

Most of the roads are monitored by both fixed and movable radars. Speed limits are usually 60-80 km around town and 100-120 km on the freeways. The speeding fines vary depending on the excess speed level.

The Traffic Police exercise a zero tolerance on drinking and driving!

If you are involved in a traffic accident, however minor, your car MUST in position and you MUST stay with it while awaiting the Traffic Police (by calling 999). All insurance claims require a police report to be processed.

Airports

It is worth taking a look at the websites of the airports where you will be arriving to learn about the facilities, regular and e-services and value added features:

- Dubai International Airport: www.dubaiairport.com
- Abu Dhabi International Airport: www.abudhabiairport.ae/english/

The following items may be imported into the United Arab Emirates without incurring customs duty:

2000 cigarettes and 400 cigars and 2kg of tobacco; 2l of spirits of more than 22 per cent alcohol, and 2l of wine (non-Muslims over 18 years only); a reasonable amount of perfume for personal use.

Prohibited items: firearms and dangerous weapons, drugs, religious propaganda, pornographic materials, unstrung pearls except for personal use, raw seafood (only when visiting Dubai and/or Sharjah), fruit and vegetables from cholera-infected areas, a number of medications (if you are on a medication please, check whether it is allowed in the UAE before you leave).

Breakdown services

For the round the clock roadside assistance (mechanical repair, towing services, battery boosting, fixing a flat tire, lockout service, emergency fuel delivery) throughout the U.A.E you may contact Arabian Automobile Association (AAA) at a Toll Free number 800 4 900.

Emergency services & numbers

- Ambulance & Police – 999
- Electricity & Water – 991
- Emergency Services (Dubai) – 04 2232323
- Fire – 997

Healthcare and Medical facilities

The general standard of healthcare in the UAE is high, both in the public and private sectors, although private hospitals have some distinct advantages (predominantly English-speaking, less waiting time, less cultural restrictions).

Medical facilities are of a very high quality but are extremely expensive. Private health insurance is essential, and highly recommended.

Pharmacies are open Saturday-Thursday from 0830-13:30 and 1630-2230, Fridays 1630-2230. Quite a few are open 24 hours.

Photography

Normal tourist photography is acceptable, but it is courteous to ask permission before photographing people. Do not take photos of the Arabic women.

In general, photographs of government buildings, military installations, ports and airports should not be taken.

Vehicle spares and services and franchises

We recommend to use the services and to buy the spares from the official car dealers of the UAE.