

The Rally Bohemia moves the service zone from Mladá Boleslav into Hořkovice

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The service zone of the XXXIX Rally Bohemia is moving from Mladá Boleslav city, where it used to be situated for couple of last years, onto the Hořkovice's airport near Mnichovo Hradiště town.

The 39th Rally Bohemia, included into the FIA European Cup – Central with the highest coefficient 10 and at the same time into the Mediasport International Rally Championship of the Czech Republic, starts off on 12th – 15th July 2012, but it is clear already that comparing to previous years there will be one significant change. The centre of the competition with the start and finish ramp keep its location in the “City of automobiles Škoda” in Mladá Boleslav, unlike the service zone, where the background of teams will be situated during rally, will move from Mladá Boleslav to the airport in Hořkovice near Mnichovo Hradiště.

The airport in Hořkovice is situated about 10 minutes of drive from the centre in Mladá Boleslav along R10 speed road heading to Turnov. It has hosted the service zone of the Rally Bohemia in the past already. All the competitive teams can use plenty of space for its background there. Refreshments and takeaways will be also available for the teams and spectators together with a wireless internet access point dedicated for the teams and accredited journalists. During both two days of rally there will be also a parc fermé for the attending teams of the Rally Bohemia, which brings the advantage not to drive long distances across with their racing cars. The most significant advantage is a short driving distance to shakedown, which takes place on the road between Březina and Dneboh villages on Friday 13th July from 9:00 to 13:00. It is 2.82 kilometres long and its start is only 2 km away from the service zone. The crews will drive back from finish only 4 km.

Petr Pavlát, the Track Officer of the XXXIX Rally Bohemia, says: **“The cumulative needs of having enough space for all teams have pushed us away from the beautiful premises of the Škoda Auto Company near 11th factory's gate. Also a bigger number of crews thank to the attendance of the DRS Championship and the last but not least the inability to use Hůrka premises, which is newly a part of the Škoda Auto zone. We believe that in Hořkovice we can fulfil all the expectations of the European Cup to build a quality background. Another advantage is the fact, that the Friday's shakedown is very close to the service zone. Also a significant part of it will be used during the Saturday's programme as SS3 and SS7 (Olšina).”**

All spectators visiting the service zone in Hořkovice will be directed to the car park from Mnichovo Hradiště town. The signposts will be placed at the access roads for spectators. Further detailed information will be published enough time in advance at www.rallybohemia.cz internet website.

More information about the 39th Rally Bohemia can be found at www.rallybohemia.cz.

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