

Dakar Rally gets underway in Portugal

Following the deaths of two motorcyclists in 2005, the Dakar Rally has brought in new speed limits and safety measures. Trucks and bikes are limited to 150km/h while drivers and navigators must rely less on GPS and more on road maps

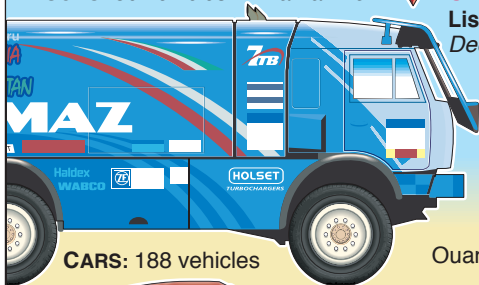
TRUCKS: 80 vehicles

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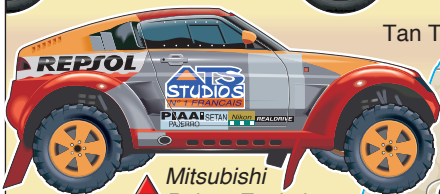
START

Lisbon

Dec 31



CARS: 188 vehicles



MOTORBIKES:

240 vehicles

KTM 660



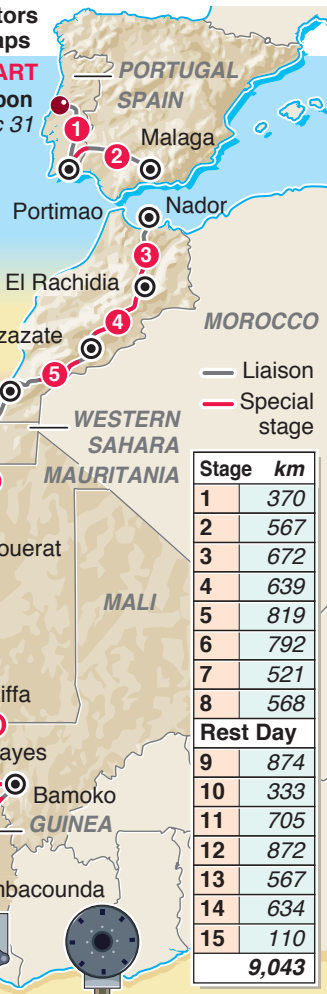
FINISH: Dakar, Jan 15

SAFETY:

IriTrack: Real-time tracking of competitors – sends signal direct to Race HQ in case of accidents

Sentinel: Alarm horn and visual warning system indicates presence of competitor within 200m radius

Source: ASO



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