

TARGA FLORIO

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Targa Florio 2027 | Guide to the Event (V1.0)

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About the Event

Born from one of motorsport's most legendary names, Targa Florio brings a new chapter of tarmac rallying to Tasmania. Inspired by the iconic Sicilian road race that has challenged competitors since 1906, Targa Florio combines international heritage with deep Tasmanian roots, building on decades of success established through Targa events centred around Burnie and Tasmania's North West Coast.

Based in Burnie, the three-day rally will offer both a competition and touring category. The event will feature 16 stages covering more than 220 kilometres of closed public roads, showcasing some of the region's most spectacular driving routes, including the renowned Savage River and Hellyer Gorge stages.

Powered by Burnie City Council and supported by Events Tasmania, Targa Florio will celebrate Tasmania's rich rallying heritage while creating a fresh and exciting driving experience for competitors, tour participants and spectators alike.



Event Overview

Targa Florio 2027 will be based out of Burnie for the duration of the event.

Competition Arrival

Competitors will need to arrive into Burnie by 8am on 14 April to attend the compulsory 2027 Targa Academy.

For competitors who enter both Targa Florio and Targa Tasmania, please note that attendance at the Targa Academy at Targa Florio 2027 fulfils your Academy requirement for 2027 and you will not be required to attend the Targa Academy session directly preceding Targa Tasmania.

Tour Arrival

Tour participants will need to arrive into Burnie by 12pm on 15 April to undertake all pre-event documentation and vehicle checks, with a compulsory safety briefing to be attended by all participants prior to the start of the event.

Event Schedule

26 March	Applications Close at 5pm
14 April	Targa Academy (Competition only)
15 April	Documentation & Vehicle Checks
15 April	Compulsory Targa Tour Briefing
15 April	Welcome Party
16 April	Ceremonial Start + Leg One
17 April	Leg Two
17 April	TargaFest
18 April	Leg Three + Official Finish
18 April	Post-Event Vehicle Checks
18 April	Final Classifications Published
18 April	Trophy Collection

Targa Florio - Competition

The Targa Florio competition category offers you the chance to challenge yourself against the clock on closed public roads through North West Tasmania's scenic landscapes.

The event features modern, early modern and classic cars competing in timed special stages, covering challenging and varied terrain, with the goal of completing every Targa stage within the "Trophy Time" and earning a Targa Trophy.

Targa Florio is an invitation only event, and competitors wishing to receive an invitation are required to complete an application form nominating the crew and their chosen vehicle. This entry application requests details of the crew's previous experience at previous Targa events, as well as other relevant motorsport experience to determine competition eligibility. Once the application has been reviewed by the Targa Australia eligibility panel, an 'Invitation to Compete' will be issued for the category the eligibility panel deems most suitable based on the experience level of the crew.

Categories

TSD Trophy

This entry level competition is reserved for all vehicles manufactured from 1948 up to 2026. It allows speed limited (130km/h) time, speed, distance (regularity style) competition between vehicles of many ages and engine sizes with crew skill, mechanical performance and reliability determining the outcome. Vehicles must be compliant for normal road registration and road usage including any modifications that have been made to the vehicle.

The primary goal of TSD is to complete each Targa stage as close to the issued target time as possible. Penalty points are allocated for time taken above or below the target time, and the crew with the lowest penalty point score at the end of the competition is declared the winner.

This category is a great option for entrants without approved motorsport experience to try Targa Tasmania without the need for extensive vehicle modifications as no safety cage is required.

Trophy

The Trophy category is the next step in the Targa competition, where vehicles are split into three competition categories. Crews compete against the clock up to a maximum speed of 140km/h. The crew with the lowest accumulated penalty time in each category is declared the competition winner.

This level of competition is available for entrants who have previous approved motorsport experience and wish to compete at Targa events but do not yet meet the experience requirements for the Supercup competition. A minimum of a half safety cage is required to the standards outlined in the Technical Regulations.

Supercup

The Supercup category is the highest level of Targa competition, where vehicles are split into three competition categories (see below). Crews compete against the clock up to a maximum speed of 190km/h. The crews with the lowest cumulative time in each category are declared the winners of the competitions, along with the crew with the lowest accumulated penalty time being declared the overall winners of Targa Tasmania.

Competitors in this category are required to have previous Targa event experience that meets the eligibility criteria as set out in the Terms & Conditions. A full safety cage is required to meet the standards outlined in the Technical Regulations.

Targa Florio - Competition

Competitions

Within the Targa competition field there are three competition types within the Trophy and Supercup categories and vehicle eligibility is determined by the year of manufacture of the vehicle being entered.

Classic

Vehicles manufactured between 1 January 1948 and 31 December 1988 are eligible for 'Classic' competition classes.

Early Modern

Vehicles manufactured between 1 January 1989 and 31 December 2007 are eligible for 'Early Modern' competition.

Modern

Vehicles manufactured between 1 January 2008 up to 2027 are eligible for 'Modern' competition.

Targa Florio & Targa Tasmania Competition Eligibility

Targa Florio provides competitors with a valuable opportunity to progress through the competition categories at Targa Tasmania.

Competitors can use their Targa Florio performance as a qualifying event in their pathway toward higher competition categories at Targa Tasmania. This makes Targa Florio not only an exciting standalone event, but also an ideal stepping stone for drivers and co-drivers looking to progress their Targa experience and maximise their opportunities at future editions of Targa Tasmania.



Targa Florio & Targa Tasmania Competition Eligibility

Please refer to the below table to determine your competition eligibility.

2027 TARGA FLORIO COMPETITION ELIGIBILITY CRITERION				
Description	Targa Tour (130km/h)	TSD Trophy (130km/h)	Trophy (140km/h)	Supercup (190km/h)
No previous motorsport experience	Y	Y	N	N
First time competitor at Targa Florio without Targa approved previous motor sport experience	Y	Y	Y	N
First time competitor at Targa Florio with Targa approved previous motorsport experience	Y	Y	Y	Y
Regardless of previous Targa competition history, has not competed in any Targa events, in any competition, since 2017	Y	Y	Y	N
Competed in any Targa since 2018 in any competition category but did not complete the course on each occasion	Y	Y	Y	N
Competed in any Targa since 2018 in any competition category other than TSD Trophy and completed the course on each occasion	Y	Y	Y	Y
2027 TARGA FLORIO UPGRADE & SUPERCUP CRITERIA				
Competes in the 2027 Targa Florio in the TSD Trophy competition category (130km/h) and wins a Targa Florio Trophy (Plate)	Y	Y	Y	N
Competes in the 2027 Targa Florio in any Trophy competition category (140km/h) and wins a Targa Florio Trophy (Plate)	Y	Y	Y	Y
Competes in the 2027 Targa Florio in any Supercup competition category (190km/h) and wins a Targa Florio Trophy (Plate), competing in the same or similar vehicle that has been nominated for use in 2027	Y	Y	Y	Y

Targa Florio - Tour

In the Targa Florio Tour, participants experience a true tarmac rally in a non-competitive, non-timed format, and without the need to install safety equipment to your car.

Enjoying the same challenging, closed-road stages as the competition cars at speeds of up to 130km/h, the Targa Tour delivers the exhilaration of driving your car as it was designed, without the pressure of competition, on some of the country's best and most exciting roads, while enjoying one of Australia's premier tourism destinations.

Entering the Tour

Targa Florio is an invitation only event. All Tour participants wishing to receive an invitation are required to submit a 'Application for Entry' form via our website.

Preparing for the Tour

Clothing Requirements

Participants must wear non-synthetic clothing with neck to wrist to ankle cover and closed flat shoes whilst driving through Targa stages. Clothing of synthetic materials are not permitted.

Crew Requirements

Each vehicle must have both a Driver and Co-Driver at all times. Vehicles with less, or more, than two crew members will not be permitted to drive on the Targa stages.

Licence Requirements

Both Driver & Co-Driver are required to hold a valid and unrestricted civil drivers licence that is recognised in Tasmania.

Road Books

Road books provide comprehensive details of the course and will be issued to participants at documentation prior to event start. It is important that at least one crew member be able to read a road book, particularly on touring stages. The use of stage notes is prohibited in the Targa Tour. Crews found using pace notes will be excluded from the Targa Tour immediately.

Course

Travelling along the same route as the competition vehicles, the tour is grouped into 'packets' of up to 15 vehicles and led by our experienced Targa Tour Leaders. The Tour Leaders are there to assist your driving pleasure and match you up with like-minded Tour participants.

Start Order

The Tour Leader may change the order of, and/or within, a tour packet at any time. Refusal to follow the instructions of the Tour Leader will see the participant not start the next or any proceeding stages.

Reporting for the Days Activites

Participants are required to report to the departure point no less than 45 minutes before their time of departure and prepare to leave when instructed to do so by the Tour Leader.

Blue Chip

A Blue Chip is required by all participants at Targa Florio. To receive a Blue Chip, participants must provide all required documentation and attend the pre-event safety briefing.

Targa Florio - Tour

Targa Stages

Tour vehicles drive on the same closed roads as the competition. Within the closed-road Targa stages, normal safe driving practices must be followed, however, as the roads are closed there will be no oncoming traffic, allowing you to use both sides of the road.

During the Targa Stages you are permitted to drive up to a maximum speed of 130km/h, however you must revert to the normal signposted speed limits after slowing to exit the Targa stage.

Vehicle Requirements

A vehicle wishing to participate in a Targa Tour must be roadworthy at all times and equipped with the following:

- **Two Safety Triangles**
- **First Aid Kit**
- **At least one tow point** - either front and/or rear
- **Oil absorbent material:** Participants are required to carry in their vehicle a 1kg bag of environmentally friendly, 100% organic, non-leaching, biodegradable oil absorbent material (this may be Kitty Litter) or 500g of specialist absorbent material.
- **Tyres** must be road legal (no R-Spec or Semi Slicks allowed) and maintain a tread depth above the wear indicators at all times.
- **Fire Extinguisher:** It is highly recommended but not compulsory to securely fit a correctly maintained hand-held fire extinguisher with a total capacity of not less than 1.0kg

You will not require:

- A roll cage
- Race seats or harnesses
- Helmets

RallySafe

RallySafe is a mandatory GPS safety device used on all Targa stages.

All Tour vehicles will be required to fit a RallySafe device to their vehicle, and Targa will supply a Temporary RallySafe Fitting Kit prior to the event, and the RallySafe Unit will be supplied at pre-event Documentation.

It is the responsibility of the entrant to ensure the Temporary Installation Kit is fitted per the RallySafe instructions prior to arriving at the Pre-Event Safety check.



Entry Fees

Competition Entry Fees

- **2027 Early Bird Entry Fee** (until 31 July 2026) **\$ 5,500 (incl. GST)**
- **2027 Regular Entry Fee** **\$ 6,500 (incl. GST)**

A deposit of \$1,000 is payable within 14 days of invoice to secure your entry. Early Bird entries close 31 July 2026, after which time the Regular Entry Fee will apply. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions for more information.

Tour Entry Fees

- **2027 Early Bird Entry Fee** (until 31 July 2026) **\$2,950 (incl. GST)**
- **2027 Regular Entry Fee** **\$3,450 (incl. GST)**

A deposit of \$1,000 is payable within 14 days of you receiving the invoice to secure your entry. Early Bird entries close 31 July 2026, after which time the Regular Entry Fee will apply. Please refer to the Terms & Conditions for more information.

All Targa Florio entry fees include:

- Access to 16 stages of closed roads for your driving enjoyment
- Insurance coverage as outlined in the terms and conditions
- Lunch for two people on five days of the event
- Two welcome party and two celebration function tickets
- Targa Florio event decals
- RallySafe Equipment hire for the event, including a temporary fitting kit and RallySafe Unit
- Overnight secure parking (optional for Tour participants)
- Multiple vehicle expos to display your vehicle and sponsors (optional for Tour participants)
- Towing service back to the overnight stop, when required

Targa Travel

Targa Travel is a one-stop bespoke service that will book and manage everything for you for your Targa travel plans, along with any pre-event trips you make to undertake reconnaissance.

We can also provide a travel service to your family and friends, along with spectators wishing to travel to the event.

If you would like to utilise this service, simply select 'Yes' on your entry application form or email enquiries@targa.com.au and we will be in touch to assist you with all of your travel needs.



Questions?

Further enquiries, or needing assistance with your Targa Florio travel plans?

Please email enquiries@targa.com.au and someone from our team will get back to you.

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