

# British Automobile Racing Club North West Centre 12<sup>th</sup> September 2020

Oulton Park (International Circuit - 2.69miles)



### DRIVERS BRIEFING for CATERHAMS, CNC HEADS, KUMHO BMW

## PLEASE REMEMBER YOUR SELF DECLARATION, IT NEEDS TO BE DONE FOR YOU TO COMPETE

#### **Specific Circuit Notes for Oulton Park**

- a) Prior to qualifying ensure you get to the assembly area (see paddock plan) in good time for noise testing. Once release join the circuit from the pit lane exit road, please respect the blend line
- b) **Leaving the circuit**, after the chequered flag do one complete lap, (do not use the Fosters circuit), then enter parc ferme on the right just before the pit entrance
- c) Prior to **racing (CNC HEADS & KUMHO BMW)**, cars will be led from the assembly area behind the safety car via the Fosters circuit to the grid, once gridded there will be a 2 minute countdown to the commencement of the green flag lap. On the green flag lap there should be no excessive weaving and anyone falling completely to the back of the grid starts from there.

Prior to **racing (CATERHAMS)**, cars will be released from the assembly area to complete a full lap to the grid, this is the green flag lap, once the grid is formed the start sequence will begin.

- d) **Start Lights**, these are located on the gantry above the grid, once the grid is formed a 5 second board will be shown followed by the red lights, the signal to start racing is the lights going out after 4 to 10 seconds. In the case of a light failure the Union Flag will be used
- e) Start Grid will be 2 x2
- f) **Safety Car,** will be deployed from Pit Lane exit and return to Pit Entrance. On the restart no overtaking or overlapping before the green flag at Start/Finish line
- g) Live Recoveries, Oulton is not sanctioned for them so if we need to recover during the race the Safety Car will be deployed
- h) Light Panels, Oulton has light panels to supplement flag signals and these have the same authority as the flags
- i) Pit Lane Speed Limit, 60 kph
- j) **Chicanes**, there are 2 chicanes Foulstons and Knickerbrook, if you use the old circuit go through the plastic blocks and rejoin in a safe manner. If you are deemed to have gained an advantage by using old circuit or cutting the grass, you will be penalised
- k) Track Limit Cameras, Oulton Park has automatic sensors at Old Hall Exit, Cascades Exit and Lodge Exit

### **General Notes**

- a) Motor Sport is a non contact sport, all reports of contact will be investigated, drivers involved in an incident should not leave the circuit without consent of the clerk of the course
- b) Motorsport UK Yearbook **track limits** regulations (Q14.4, Q12.6.1) are summarised here. I qualifying times will be disallowed. In the race 2<sup>nd</sup> occurence, black & whit flag, 3<sup>rd</sup> 5 second time penalty, 4<sup>th</sup> 10 second time penalty, 5<sup>th</sup> drive through penalty, 6<sup>th</sup> black flag, race disqualification
- c) Yellow Flags/Lights are used to warn you of a incident ahead and also to protect the marshals who are trackside. There must be no overtaking from the first yellow until the green flag (Q15.1) even if it is a slow car
- d) **Red Flag** the session has been stopped, cease travelling at racing speed, in qualifying return to the pits, in the race to the grid, unless directed otherwise
- e) **Safety Car**, procedures are in the Yearbook (Q App 2), please join the train as quickly as possible this then allows the recovery and marshals to clear any on track problems quickly so racing can resume
- f) **Retirements**, if you retire out on circuit for a mechanical or incident' that please try to pull off in a safe position and indicate by 'thumbs up' that you are OK to the marshals, failure to do so could result in the Safety Car or Red flag and loss of racing laps
- g) **Parc Ferme**, all cars must return here after all sessions, you will be stopped if required. In Parc ferme please respect SOCIAL DISTANCING
- h) At the end of sessions please acknowledge the marshals with a wave
- i) If you have any questions please contact me (Ray Sumner) at <a href="mailto:rsumner.barc@gmail.com">rsumner.barc@gmail.com</a>

Ray Sumner, Senior Clerk of the Course

COVID 19, please make sure you are familiar with the BARC Guidance and Motorsport UK guidance. Various rules and regulations have been put in place so motor sport can go ahead. We must respect these and follow the guidance, failure to do so could result in penalties or disqualification and could even put the continuation of racing in jeopardy

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