



# **Silverstone (International) Circuit**

## **24<sup>th</sup> & 25<sup>th</sup> April 2021**

### **DRIVERS' BRIEFING NOTES**

#### **Welcome**

On behalf of the BARC, welcome to Silverstone for what we hope will be a very enjoyable race weekend.

#### **Briefings**

Whilst the individual championships may have their own briefings, please read these notes together with any previously issued season briefing notes. If you have any questions, please contact either Michelle Harland or myself via email using the addresses below.

I will also be available to answer questions on Saturday and Sunday morning between 0800 and 0830 prior to the start of the meeting outside Race Control.

All questions and answers will be shared with all competitors via email.

#### **Contact Details**

The contact details for this event are as follows:

Clerk of the Course	Andy Butler	e-mail: <a href="mailto:abutler.barc@gmail.com">abutler.barc@gmail.com</a>
Secretary of the Meeting	Michelle Harland	e-mail: <a href="mailto:mharland.barc@gmail.com">mharland.barc@gmail.com</a>

#### **Official Notice Board**

The official notice board can be found online at

[https://www.barc.net/online\\_noticeboard/silverstone-international-april-24-25/](https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/silverstone-international-april-24-25/)

#### **Circuit Access & Egress**

Please listen for tannoy announcements for each session.

#### **Qualifying sessions**

All categories (except Britcar and TCR UK/TCT/VW) – Cars must go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their session. Cars in garages can exit pitlane through garage 41 to get to the Assembly Area.

Competitors will be released from the assembly area onto the circuit via the Pit Exit at the start of their session.

Britcar and TCR UK/TCT/VW - Cars will be released by the marshals from their garages into the pit lane for all their sessions.

#### **Races with Rolling Starts**

CTCRC Thunder/BOSS

All cars must go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their race. Cars in garages can exit pitlane through garage 41 to get to the Assembly Area.

Competitors will be put into grid order by the Assembly Area marshals and will then be shown the "Race Countdown" boards whilst in the Assembly Area. Cars will then be released onto the track, straight into their rolling lap behind the Lead Car (Safety Car). When the Lead Car approaches the pit lane entry, it will extinguish its flashing lights and the pole position holder will be in charge of the pace of the field. The grid will use the Historic Circuit for the rolling start (diagram below) this cuts out the sharp left Vale section and will keep the grid together for the rolling start. As the grid of cars start to come around the last corner, the start lights will be illuminated and then extinguished to start the race.

#### Britcar Endurance & Trophy

Competitors will line up in the pitlane to be released onto the circuit to come around to the grid. Once all cars are on the grid, the "Race Countdown" boards will be shown and the grid of cars will move off behind the Lead Car (Safety Car) for their rolling start. When the Lead Car approaches the pit lane entry, it will extinguish its flashing lights and the pole position holder will be in charge of the pace of the field. The grid will use the Historic Circuit for the rolling start (diagram below) this cuts out the sharp left Vale



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#### **Races with Standing Starts**

CTCRC Pre 66, CTCRC Pre 83/JEC, CTCRC Pre93/Pre03, Mini Miglia, Mini Se7ens.

All cars must go to the Assembly Area at least 20 minutes before the start of their race.

Competitors will be put into grid order by the Assembly Area marshals and will then be shown the "Race Countdown" boards whilst in the Assembly Area. Cars will then be released onto the track, straight into their green flag lap (behind the Safety Car) to drive around to the grid. Once all cars are on the grid in their correct positions, the 5 seconds board will be shown, then the start lights will be illuminated and then extinguished to start the race.

#### Volkswagen Racing Cup/TCT/TCR UK

Competitors will leave the pitlane and form up on the grid. They will then do a green flag lap to a standing start.

#### **Parc Fermé**

At the end of all qualifying sessions and races, competitors will take the chequered flag, complete a slowing down lap and enter the pit lane making their way to the Parc Fermé Area, which is accessed through Garages 1 & 2.

Remember that until you are released from Parc Fermé, the following applies:

- No work on the car may take place of any kind, including reviewing camera footage;
- No team personnel, except the driver, may enter the area.

#### **Timing**

There will be no grid sheets or results produced on paper at the event. You are advised that these can be found on the TSL website at <http://www.tsl-timing.com>. You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the assembly area.

All timing is done automatically; you must have a working transponder fitted or you will not be timed.



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#### **Track Limits and Judges of Fact**

Instances of drivers exceeding track limits may be reported by appointed Judges of Fact.

#### **Start Lights**

The start lights are positioned on the main gantry above the track.

#### **Control / Timing Line**

The Timing Line is in front of Race Control, 134.5m before the start line (between grid positions 17 & 18).

#### **Pole Position**

Pole position is on the right for standing starts and on the left for rolling starts.

#### **Judicial Process**

The judicial rules and regulations are described within the Motorsport UK Yearbook; however, no physical paperwork will be issued, with all decisions being issued electronically and sent by email to your registered email address.

If you are called to Race Control, for a judicial hearing, you should bring any additional camera footage you wish to present on a USB 'memory stick' or laptop to play it on.

If you want to query if an incident is being investigated, you can contact me through the e-mail address, or through the designated point of contact. The point of contact will be bulletined on the BARC virtual notice board.

It is not permitted to come to Race Control unless requested to do so.

#### **Health & Safety**

You should follow the BARC Health & Safety Guidelines and BARC Competitor Guidance in line with the revised Motorsport UK regulations. These can be found on the BARC website on the Silverstone event page.

I would however like to remind you of the following:

- The wearing of a face mask or covering which covers both the nose and mouth, (not a visor), is mandatory for everyone at all times while within the venue assembly area, pit lane, pit garages, pit wall and grid plus in any enclosed space unless alone or while eating or drinking within a designated area. Masks or face coverings are required in Parc Fermé and the paddock where it is not possible to maintain 2m social distancing. There are no exceptions for health considerations as may previously been the case and if anyone is unable to comply then they should not attend the event.
- Symptoms of coronavirus are persistent cough, high temperature, feeling unwell, breathlessness and a loss of taste or smell.
- Participants who feel unwell with any of the symptoms of coronavirus, however mild or who feel they may have been exposed to a risk of infection must not attend the event. If someone is already at the event and exhibits any symptoms should leave the venue, advise the Secretary of the Meeting and call NHS 111.
- Please always remember that you have to take responsibility for your own and others safety, protecting yourself from the virus by following the competitors and government guidelines.

I wish you a safe and successful weekend.

Andy Butler  
Clerk of the Course