

Kumho BMW Drivers' Briefing Brands Hatch 31.07 and 01.08 2021

On behalf of BARC, welcome to Brands Hatch. My name is Andrew Outterside and your Clerk for the meeting.

This note comprises your briefing for the meeting. There is no physical briefing, however if you have any queries relating to the contents of this note, or wish to contact me during the meeting, my contact details are as follows:-

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Final Instructions and BARC Regulations/Guidance

Please ensure you have read the Final Instructions for the meeting – they can be found on the Event Information page on the BARC website, here:-

<https://www.barc.net/event/barc-race-meeting-brands-hatch-2/>

Please ensure that you note the following BARC Regulations/Guidance:-

- BARC Standing Regulations
- BARC Health and Safety Guidelines
- BARC Covid-19 Competitor's Guidance Notes

Latest versions are available on BARC's website – www.barc.net.

In addition, please note the latest Motorsport UK Covid-19 Guidance (applicable from 19 July 2021). It can be found here –

<https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-07-19-motorsport-uk-covid-19-guidance-from-19-july-2021.pdf>

Online Noticeboard

During the meeting Bulletins, Judicial Decisions and other relevant information will be posted to the online noticeboard which can be found here:-

https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/brands-hatch-july-31-august-1/

Signing-on

You should have **signed on** before the meeting by way of self-declaration on the REV-UP page on the BARC website. You cannot sign-on, on the day.

Scrutineering

This is covered by your self-declaration referred to above. Please note that physical spot checks will be carried out each day.

Noise Testing

Noise testing will be carried out on your entry to the assembly area before qualifying. Please ensure you are at the assembly area in good time.

Circuit Entry

For all sessions is via the assembly area, located at the far end of the inner paddock. The inner paddock is accessed via the vehicle tunnel opposite the outer paddock scrutineering bay. Please wait for the tannoy announcement before proceeding to the inner paddock and note that you may be called before your session is due to start.

- For qualifying you will be released from the assembly area to the circuit via the pit lane.

- For racing you will be released from the assembly area to the grid to take up your starting position.

Circuit Exit

On the slowing down lap, please keep a good pace, so that circuit may be cleared as soon as possible. At the end of qualifying and the races, you will leave the circuit on driver's right at the end of the Cooper Straight. The exit is located adjacent to Post 4 and before Turn 4.

Follow the direction of officials as to whether you are required to go to the inner or outer paddock parc ferme areas.

If during qualifying and racing, you have an issue with your car, and you are looking to pit, please ensure you are on the right-hand side of the track around Clearways, and if possible, indicate your intention to pit.

The pit lane speed limit is 60kph (37mph).

The left-hand side of the pit lane (adjacent to the pit wall) is for cars entering or leaving the pits (the live lane) and must not be obstructed. Any car leaving their pit must ensure that it is safe to do so before emerging into the live pit lane. You must not enter the circuit if a red light is showing at the end of the pit lane. When exiting the pit lane stay to the right-hand side of the white blend line and only move across to the racing line when it is safe to do so.

Starting Procedure

Following release from the assembly area and once you are in your grid positions the following procedure will apply:-

- Green Flag Lap – you will be shown the one minute, 30 second boards followed by a waved green flag. Proceed and complete a lap and return to your grid position for the start. If you have an issue on the green flag lap and you become the last car, you **MUST** start from the back of the grid – do not attempt to regain your original grid position.
- Race Start – once all cars have returned to their grid position the 5 second board will be shown and withdrawn. The red lights will then come on and will go off after some 2 to 7 seconds to indicate the race start. Any car that is out of position (including incorrectly positioned in their grid slot) or moving before the start may be subject a 10 second penalty.

If you have an issue with your car on the grid please indicate this to the marshals, for example by waving your arm.

Any car failing to be in the assembly area in time will be a pit lane starter. They will be released from the pit lane after the last car has passed the pit exit on the first racing lap.

Delayed / Aborted Start

A delayed start board will be displayed. Once the issue has been dealt with the starting procedure will commence again with another green flag lap.

Safety Car

The safety car will only be used for the races.

When the yellow flags and S/C boards are displayed, all drivers **must reduce speed**. Cars should form up behind the lead car with a gap of not more than five car lengths between each car.

The safety car will enter the circuit mid-way along the Cooper Straight (from driver's right).

When racing is due to resume the lights on the safety car will be extinguished and it will exit the circuit via the pit land entry. The lead car will then take responsibility for the restart of the race.

PLEASE NOTE:- There is to be no overtaking or overlapping of another car until you have passed the control/finish line. The Safety Car regulations are on pages 301 and 302 of the Blue Book.

PLEASE NOTE - when the Safety Car flags and boards are displayed, drivers are required to slow down significantly and immediately, not when they meet the safety car. The lead car must allow a reasonable gap to any car in front of them so that the Safety Car can be deployed to pick up the leader. Failure to do so will result in a penalty being applied.

The pitlane will remain open during safety car periods.

Track Limits

Sensors and cameras are in place at various corner exits where an advantage can be gained. These will be supplemented as appropriate by reports from Judges of Fact. The following penalties will apply for track limit infringements:-

- In qualifying - the lap time will be removed
- In the race - the following penalties will be applied:-
 - First offence - no action
 - Second offence - black and white warning flag, via start line signal and digital board (if available)
 - Third offence - a 5 second time penalty
 - Fourth offence - an additional 10 second time penalty
 - Fifth offence drive through or additional 30 second time penalty
 - Sixth offence - disqualification from the race

Stopping Trackside

If you stop trackside, please follow two simple instructions:-

- a) park your car as close to the marshal's post and as close to the barrier as possible
and
- b) you will be approached by a marshal who will be looking for a "thumbs up" signal from you to indicate that you are OK. Once you have given the signal when safe to do so get out of your car and quickly get yourself to a place of greater safety.

Live snatch

Is available at this circuit but only under Safety Car conditions. Please pay attention to lights and flag signals.

Flags

Are supplemented with digital lights at this circuit, digital lights have the same meaning and authority as flags.

Timing

Please make sure you have a working transponder as spares will be in limited supply. There is no guarantee that if your transponder doesn't work, you will be classified.

There will be no grid sheets or results produced on paper at the event and you are advised that these can be found on the TSL website for the event at:-

<https://www.tsl-timing.com/event/213021>

You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the grid.

Judicial/Camera Cards

If you are requested to come and see me or want me to look at your camera footage, you must bring a laptop to play it on. I will be in the Clerk's office on the first floor of race control. Please wear a face covering.

Protests/Appeals

Formal protests and appeals must be lodged electronically with me and/or the secretary of the meeting, Michelle Harland at mharland.barc@gmail.com Fees can be paid up to 48 hours after the meeting, no cash.

Other Things to Note

- The start line and control / finish line are in the same location – just before the gantry lights.
- When lapping, it is the responsibility of the driver doing the lapping to execute it safely.
- Judicial hearings will take place as normal. Paperwork will then be emailed to the driver.
- The timetable is very tight, so the organisers will do everything we can to save time and we ask you to do the same. On the slowing down lap, please make good pace so we can clear the circuit as soon as possible.
- Please adhere to COVID rules regarding face masks. COVID officers will be walking around checking.

Thank you and I wish you an enjoyable meeting.

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