

COMPETITOR BRIEFING NOTES (V1)



MALLORY PARK August 1st 2021

Please read the briefing notes below prior to attending this BARC race meeting as it contains a variety of pieces of information necessary for the smooth operation of the event.

<u>Sign-on / Scrutineering:</u>

As you are aware there will be no sign-on or scrutineering prior to going on track as you have completed a selfdeclaration form in advance. However, scrutineers will be making random checks to ensure compliance with the regulations. Failure to complete the form in advance will mean that you cannot take part in the event.

Track activity:

Please ensure that you are in the assembly area well in advance of your session. For qualifying you will be released onto the track, timing will have started and use the session as you would usually do.

Coupe Cup, 2CV & Classic Formula Ford: The green flag lap will be from the assembly area to the grid. When the grid is formed a 5 second board will be shown, after this the red lights will come on and go out 2 to 7 seconds later to signify the start.

Pickups as in your championship briefing

Please be aware any driver unable to keep their position on the green flag lap and who fall completely to the rear of the field must start from the rear of the grid and not regain their grid position

At the end of every session after taking the chequered flag at the line complete the lap and return to the paddock Parc Fermé area. There will not be any BARC presentation ceremonies or driver interviews.

<u>Pit Exit</u>

When exiting the Pits take extreme care and keep to the right of the line at the exit. Do not move over onto the racing line too quickly.

Circuit Flags and Lights

Please familiarise yourself with the location of these, the light locations (if present) might not match the flag but carry the same authority.

Yellow Flag: means no overtaking and are displayed to signify danger and possibly marshals on the track, you can only start overtaking again after passing the green flag.

Blue Flag is to signify someone is ready to overtake or is overtaking, slower cars must give way at their earliest opportunity but keep to their line and let the faster car find a safe way past.

Red Flag, session has been stopped, timing stops immediately a red flag is deployed so slow down with safety; In qualifying return to Pits. For races go to the grid and follow instructions.

Track Limits

Track limits will be monitored around the circuit by Judges of Fact. All reports from Judges of Fact are treated as fact and will be acted upon by the Clerk of the Course and penalties will be applied. For avoidance of doubt:

- 1. The white line or back edge of a kerb signify the track limit.
- 2. If a driver puts one wheel over either the white line or kerb then penalties will be applied.
- 3. Track limit cameras (if present) or Judges of Fact will be used to determine Track Limits.
- 4. During Qualifying all times set on a lap where a track limit infringement occurred will be deleted.
- 5. If Track Limits occur in a race the following penalties will be applied;
 - a) 2nd occurrence black and white flag
 - b) 3rd a 5 second penalty
 - c) 4th a 10 second penalty
 - d) 5th a Drive Through penalty
 - e) 6th Black Flag (Race exclusion)

Driver Conduct:

This is a non-contact sport and all incidents of contact will be investigated. Any on-track issues or concerns should be taken to the Clerk of the Course (who is based in race control) within 30 minutes of the conclusion of the session. The incidents will be investigated by interview, use of camera footage both on board and circuit if available and post chief reports.

Please remember you cannot leave the circuit until the protest period has ended and if involved in an incident the clerk's permission is needed.

<u>Breakdowns</u>

If involved in an incident or you stop on circuit. 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 this, please follow two simple instructions; a) park your car as close to the marshals post and as close to the barrier as possible and b) when safe to do so get out of your car and quickly get yourself to a place of greater safety.

Cars will be moved to a place of Safety under Safety Car conditions. If being towed please keep your helmet on.

Safety Car

The safety car will be deployed from Pit Lane and will join the circuit on Pit Straight. When the Safety Car is deployed waved yellow flags and 'SC' boards will be displayed round the circuit. All cars must slow down immediately on reaching a yellow flag and board and no overtaking can take place. The Safety car will pick up the leader and all cars must keep within 5 metres of the car in front.

Prior to the resumption of racing the Safety Car will extinguish its lights approximately 2/3rds of the way round the circuit and will exit the circuit into Pit Lane. The leader maintains the pace set by the Safety Car until the green flag is shown at the Start/Finish line. No one is allowed to overlap or overtake until the green flag is passed.

Off-Track:

The paddock is an area of danger and a 10mph speed limit is in place at all times. Competitors are responsible for the actions of people associated with their entry so please ensure everyone is following the rules and regulations which are in force at this time. Do not use more paddock space than is essential.

<u>Timing:</u>

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 at <u>www.tsl-timing.com</u>. You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the assembly area.

With the timing being automatic, you must have a working transponder fitted or you will not be able to be timed. TSL will have a small number of transponders for hire. If you have problems go to the timing room.

Licence Upgrades:

There will be no signatures for upgrade issued at the meeting. Those wishing to upgrade should contact Motorsport UK directly providing evidence of their results.

Briefings:

There will be no new drivers' briefings at the event having read these notes is adequate briefing in itself, but should you have any questions then please see the clerk of the course at the event.

Any championship briefings will usually be sent out in advance of the meeting but if a briefing is required at the event, it will be held in the open air at a specified time and place.

Judicial Process:

The judicial rules and regulations are exactly as described within the Motorsport UK Yearbook except that everything will be undertaken electronically rather than producing pieces of paper. Therefore, if you are involved in a judicial hearing a decision will be announce to you and then sent by email to your registered email address.

Protests and appeals can be made in the usual way through either the Secretary of the Meeting or the Clerk of the Course using the electronic form which is available from the Secretary.

Health & Safety:

You should follow the BARC Health & Safety Guidelines, which can be found on the BARC website within each of the championship pages, along with any regulations issued by the venue.

Following the Covid-19 pandemic, Motorsport UK and the BARC have set out guidance notes for the restart of circuit racing and through these briefing notes I would like to remind you of some key points.

- 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 should not attend the event. If someone is already at the event and exhibits any symptoms should leave the venue and call NHS 111
- The best way to prevent the spread of the virus is hand washing which should be done regularly with soap & water or sanitising gel. Masks are also required.
- Physical social contact should be avoided and you should minimise the number of people congregating in close proximity. Avoid sharing tools, drinks or water bottles.
- Surfaces at events should be wiped down and disinfected regularly.
- Social distancing recommendations should be observed, where this is not possible PPE should be used.
- There will be limited access to Race Administration and Race Control please comply with any notices.
- All communications will be electronic; telephone or email as registered with your entry.

Please remember at all times that you have to take responsibility for your own safety, protecting yourself from the virus by following the guidelines issued in advance and contained within these notes. Should you feel unsafe at any time then you should not take part and if you are at the event return home.

Thank you in advance for following our guidelines and we all hope that you have an enjoyable event.

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