

Donington Park (National Circuit) – 21st/22nd August 2021

2021 BRITISH TRUCK RACING CHAMPIONSHIP BRIEFING NOTES

<u>Welcome</u>

On behalf of the BARC, MSV and myself welcome to Donington Park and the third event of the 2021 British Truck Racing Championship.

Briefing

There will be no championship driver briefing at this event, reading these notes together with the season briefing notes/guidance, issued for the first event at Brands Hatch and Final Instructions should cover all points. If you have any questions, please drop either Nicole Cummins or I an email at the addresses below.

I will also make be available to answer questions on Saturday morning between 0800 and 0815 prior to the start of the meeting outside Race Control.

Where possible/appropriate questions and answers will be shared with all competitors via email or bulletin.

Contact Details

The contact details for this event are as follows:

Clerk of the Course	David Cartwright	e-mail: dcartwright.barc@gmail.com
Secretary of the Meeting	Nicole Cummins	e-mail: : ncummins.barc@gmail.com

Official Notice Board

The official notice board can be found online at https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/donington-park-august-21-22/

Matters arising from Thruxton

I have been aware of some competitors becoming aggressive/abusive towards officials, marshals and other team members. <u>This behaviour will not be tolerated</u>. If you are unhappy about an official's decision or other behaviour then, in the first instance, come talk to me about your concern/issue.

On this point your attention is drawn to the Blue Book and regulations A10.2, C2.1.5 and G5.3.6. Action resulting from aggressive or abusive behaviour carries the likelihood of Penalty Points on your Race License. In addition I also draw your attention to CR 6.3.7 and your contractual obligations.

Circuit Information

Circuit	National	
Circuit Length	1.98 miles	
Start/Finish Line Located	Opposite Race Control	
Pole Position	On the right	
Pit Lane Speed Limit	60 KPH	
Start Lights	On gantry, above the track approx. ½ way down the Pit Wall.	
Warning/Chequered Flag Location	Start of the Pit Wall just after Pit Entry at the Finish Line.	

Flag Signals

The marshals will flag from behind the marshal's posts, in the spectator enclosures where possible. Please ensure that you sight the flag points at the start of each session (1st lap in qualifying and the pace/formational for each of the race starts).

In addition Donington Park has circuit lights and these carry the same meaning as any flag signals.

Driving Standards

These are covered in the 2021 Season Championship Briefing document issued at Brands Hatch. If you require a copy please contact Nicole, David Wheadon or myself.

Timing

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

Because all of the timing is done automatically you must have a working transponder fitted or you will not be timed.

Track Limit Judges of Fact

Donington Park has sensors at several locations (T1 – Redgate, T4 – Old Hairpin, T8 Coppice & T10 – Roberts) around the track, these and the appointed Judges of Fact will report track limits violations.

In addition, tyre bales will be positioned at the apex of the chicane in a similar way to those at Thruxton. (I believe these were also in position at the recent test session).

Access and Egress from the Track

All trucks will assemble at in the Assembly Area on the Melbourne Loop.

- For Qualifying you will be released from the Assembly Area to start the session.
- For the races you will follow the Pace Truck from the Assembly Area to the Start Line. A 1minute countdown will commence to the Green Flag/Pace Lap once everyone is in place.

At the end of all sessions, including races, having taken the chequered flag, you will complete ³/₄ of a lap of the circuit at exit the circuit onto the Melbourne Loop and proceed to Truck Parc Ferme.

Any truck in the Pit Lane at the end of the session must be driven by the signed-on driver to Parc Ferme (all belts and helmet must be worn and fastened) by exiting through Pit Exit and driving around the circuit at a safe speed. Be aware marshals and recovery vehicles maybe on the circuit. <u>NO passengers are permitted</u>.

<u>Grid</u>

The grid is formed as per the championship regulations and the 2021 Season Championship Briefing notes.

Race Start

The start procedure is a rolling start in a single group with a 3-row gap between the two classes.

The truck in pole position for each class is responsible for setting the pace (50 to 70kph) and all trucks should be formed up into a 2 x 2 formation, not more than 2 to 3 lengths apart with the gap between the classes maintained. I am looking for the start formation to be in place as the trucks are $\frac{3}{4}$ way down/at the end of Starkey's Straight.

The Pace Truck will pull off into the Pit Lane. As the trucks approach the grid, the red lights will go on. When the starter is happy with the formation the lights will be extinguished to indicate the start for Class 1, the Union Flag will indicate the start for Class 2.

Judicial Process

The judicial rules and regulations are exactly as 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'**, in a Windows Media Player format.

If you want to query if an incident is being investigated, you can contact either myself through the email 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/acceptable to come to Race Control unless requested to do so. If you are called to Race Control an appropriate face covering must be worn as per the Covid-19 guidelines.

Health & Safety

You should follow the BARC Health & Safety Guidelines and BARC Competitor Guidance in line with the current Covid-19 Motorsport UK regulations. These are available on the BARC and Motorsport UK website and the following links:

- BARC Standing Regulations
 https://www.barc.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/02/BARC_Standing_Regs_v18_2021_PUBLISHED22Feb21.pdf
- BARC Health & Safety Guidelines
 <u>https://www.barc.net/wp-</u>
 content/uploads/2021/02/BARC HS Guidance Notes v15 2021 PUBLISHED22Feb21.pdf
- BARC COVID-19 Guidelines for Competitors and Officials
 https://www.barc.net/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/BARC-Covid-19-Guidance-competitor-v3-2021.pdf
- Motorsport UK Covid-19 Competitor Guidance
 https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/03/2021-03-25-covid-19-competitor-guidance-1.pdf and https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2021/07/2021-07-19-motorsport-uk-covid-19-guidance-from-19-july-2021.pdf

I wish you a safe and successful weekend.

David Cartwright Clerk of the Course.