



# **Donington Park**

## **21<sup>st</sup> August 2021**

### **Silverlake Citroen C1 Challenge Briefing Notes v1**

**Event:** BARC Convoy in the Park

**Subject:** DRIVERS BRIEFING: Silverlake Citroen C1 Challenge

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#### **CIRCUIT INFORMATION**

Lap length: National circuit 1.979 miles (3.185 kilometres) in length

The Assembly Area is located on the Melbourne Loop, this is accessed by exiting the Pit Lane into the Paddock, head towards the paddock entrance gates and turning left opposite the circuit offices and up on to the Melbourne Loop.

Speed limit in pit lane: 40 km/h. Please be aware of where the speed limit starts and ends.

SC standby position: Pit Exit.

Pit Lane entrance is drivers left after the final corner.

When exiting the pits, drivers MUST be aware of competitors on the track. Please keep to the left of the white line and do not cross the solid line.

Pole Position is drivers right on the grid.

Start lights are on the gantry above the track on the left-hand side.

Warning flags will be shown at the finish line and also on the Digi-board

#### **PIT LANE**

When entering the pits drivers must keep to the left of the line at all times. No part of any car entering the pits may cross the white line. The speed limit in the pit lane is 40 KPH. The exit traffic lights are on the right side of the Pit Lane Exit. When leaving the pits drivers must keep to the left of the line at all times. No part of any car leaving the pits may cross the white line.

#### **QUALIFYING**

All Silverlake C1 sessions will commence from the Assembly, cars will be noise tested in this location before qualifying.

Please remember all drivers must complete at least 3 laps to be able to participate in the race, if you are unable to comply, you must speak with the Clerk of the Course at the earliest opportunity.

Follow the directions of the marshals at all times.

Weaving using more than 50% of the track to heat tyres is not permitted.

Track Limits will be enforced. If you set a fast lap time whilst exceeding track limits, the relevant lap time may be removed.

At the end of the session, competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit, enter the pitlane and proceed into Parc Fermé as directed.

#### **START PROCEDURE - ROLLING START**

You will be released from the Assembly Area on to the circuit behind the Safety Car to the grid. Once all cars are in place on the grid, the "Countdown" boards will be shown.

Once the countdown is complete, you will be led behind the Safety Car for your Formation Lap. You must be in the start formation. The Safety car will extinguish its roof lights. The car in Pole Position is responsible for maintaining the speed of the pack. The Start Signal is the red lights being switched off, if the red lights remain on, complete another lap and reattempt the start.



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## **RED FLAG/LIGHTS**

Should the need arise to stop any race or practice, red lights will be switched on at the start line and red flags will be displayed at the start line and at all Marshals Signalling Points around the Circuit. This may be supplemented by the showing of red lights around the circuit.

Competitors must slow down, must not overtake, complete the lap they are on and for qualifying return to the pits and for racing stop on the grid, unless told otherwise by officials. Parc Fermé conditions will apply, and competitors are reminded that no team personnel are allowed onto the grid.

Any car in the pit lane at the showing of the red signal must remain where it is and all work on cars must cease unless specifically authorised by the Clerk of the Course.

Cars may not enter the Pits unless directed to do so or repairs are necessary during the race.

Cars in the Pits may not re-join the grid.

It is not permitted to change drivers during the course of the stoppage unless specifically authorised by the Clerk of the Course.

## **YELLOW FLAG/LIGHTS**

You are reminded that Yellow Flags are a warning of danger, slow down and be prepared to take avoiding action or stop. Lights have the same meaning as flags.

## **BLUE FLAGS**

These will normally be shown to a car that is about to be lapped. This car must give way at the earliest opportunity.

## **SAFETY CAR**

We will be using the safety car in your race to recover any cars out on circuit or to recover debris on track from incidents.

This will be positioned at the exit of the pit lane. If we need to send this out, we will aim to show the Flags/Boards at the Start-line and they will proceed around the track, the Safety Car will proceed onto the track and pick up the leader.

We will be running green lights from the parcel shelf inside the car to notify you if you are required to pass the safety car. The green lights will be ON for passing and OFF for staying behind the safety car.

You will need to keep the crocodile close at a sensible speed around the circuit. It is very important that you all try to close the crocodile up and this will speed up the resumption of the race.

There is no overtaking under the Safety Car. The Safety Car will clear through the pit lane, and no overtaking is permitted until you have passed the Green Flag on the Start-line.

## **STOP GO PENALTY BOX**

The stop / go penalty box is located under the race control building.

## **PENALTIES**

No two penalties can be served at the same time, a driver must re-join the track and complete 1 FULL lap past the start line then come in to serve the next Penalty. For clarity, one out lap, one full lap, one in lap.

## **RACE FINISH**

All competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed, complete a full lap of the circuit and enter the pit lane. Follow the directions of the marshals to Parc ferme.



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#### **HU TAGS**

All drivers must collect a Hu-Tag from C1 Club HQ in the paddock prior to going on circuit for the first session if you do not already have one. No one will be allowed on circuit during any session unless they are wearing a Hu-Tag.

Upon arriving at Pit Exit, drivers must ensure their vehicle comes to a complete stop alongside the Hu-Tag reader panel and then present their Hu-Tag at the panel until the red light has turned to Green. Once the Green light shows, you are free to go towards Pit Exit.

Drivers need to note that the Green/Red lights on the Hu-Tag reader panel are separate to the circuit-operated Green and Red Pit Lane Exit Lights, which must also be complied with. Only the Pit Exit Lights control when a vehicle can and cannot exit the Pit Lane, not the lights on the Hu-Tag reader panel.

#### **DRIVER NOMINATIONS**

The Secretary of the Meeting must be informed of starting driver for qualifying and the race a minimum of one hour prior to the scheduled start time for either session. There are penalties for non-compliance with this.

#### **DRIVING STANDARDS OBSERVERS**

We will have Driving Standards Observers who will be observing Driving Standards and Track Limits during the races and reporting back to the Clerk of the Course.

#### **GENERAL NOTES**

Stop / Go & Drive through penalties MUST be taken within 3 laps, unless the Safety Car is on circuit

Black / Orange Flag: Must come into the pits on the next lap

Any LIVE recovery of vehicles will be carried out under the Safety Car be aware of waved yellow flags and lights

#### **TRACK LIMITS**

Track limits cameras are located at various points around the circuit and are fed directly in to race control, normal Motorsport UK guidance will apply for transgressions.

#### **TECHNICAL PROBLEMS**

If you have a mechanical problem, pull off in a safe location. Do not continue round the circuit with the risk of leaving oil on the track, we will do our best to recover you. No cars will be recovered in the last hour of the race unless they are in a dangerous place.

#### **ACCIDENT**

After a heavy accident, stay in your car. Do not attempt to leave it on your own.

Wait for the arrival of the doctor and if necessary, the extrication team. We will take care of you.

#### **DRIVING CONDUCT**

All reported incidents will be investigated. If you are involved in an incident, DO NOT leave the circuit before checking with Clerk of the Course.

#### **IN RACE TEAM CONTACT**

If the team manager is requested to come and see the Clerk of the Course, you will need to come up to the first floor of race control, knock on the door and wait for the Clerk to come and see you.

Please remember you can't win the race in the first corner, have a safe and enjoyable event!

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