



## Britcar Driver Briefing.

**Brands Hatch 13 & 14 November 2021.**

Welcome, my name is Andy Butler, I am your Clerk of the Course for this meeting.

**At this event the you must adhere to the 2021 Britcar Championship Sporting and Technical Regulations, including bulletin number 8.**

**Cars must comply with Blue Book Regulations E12.2.10 and E12.2.11.**

Please read BARC's Standing Regulations and Health and safety Guidance Notes, driver briefing notes. BARC Covid-19 Competitor's Guidance Notes. Latest versions are available on BARC's website.

Visit the Motorsport UK website for updated covid regulations.

You should all have **signed on** before the meeting, this cannot be done on the day.

**Noise Testing**, will be done in assembly area before your free practice session.

**Circuit entry**, free practice will be from assembly, all other sessions will be from your garages. Please consider that the session before will be using the pitlane.

**Exiting the circuit.** For all sessions. After taking the chequered flag do a complete lap and exit the circuit into the pit lane, Parc Ferme is in front of your garages, you will be in Parc Ferme conditions until instructed otherwise by the Eligibility Scrutineer or Britcar staff, Championship Regulations 2.14. apply. Some vehicles may be chosen to go to Parc Ferme as you enter the pit lane, for technical checks, you will be instructed by Britcar staff if this is you.

**Qualifying** sets the grid for race one, results of race one sets the grid for race two.

**All drivers must complete three laps in qualifying.**

**Grid procedure**, the pit lane will open and cars will proceed to the grid. 3 minutes after the pit lane opens the pit lane will close, cars still in the pit lane after this time, will be a pit lane starter. The green flag lap will commence 7 minutes after the pit lane opens, any car not in its grid position at this time will remain at the rear of the grid or be a pit lane starter. Teams are allowed **one** team member per car on the grid, **only** to help/assist them to be in the correct grid position. Leave the grid as soon as your car is in position.

Team members going onto the grid, please be at the gate (under the gantry lights) 5 minutes before the pit lane is due to open.

Approximately 30 minutes before the program time, a message on the official WhatsApp and timing screens will give the approximate time the pit lane will open for the races. Be ready 20 minutes before the program time as we can run 20 minutes early.



Please note, once all cars are in position on the grid, a one-minute signal will be given for the start of the rolling lap, even if this is before the seven minutes noted above.

**Race Starts.** All starts are a rolling start, the safety car will leave the grid and continue at a moderate pace until it exits Graham Hill Bend onto the Cooper Straight, where it will begin to slow down. All cars should start to form up behind the safety car ready for the start. Entering Clearways the grid should be set and ready for the start. The safety car will exit into the pitlane. Cars should be in two rows, as per the grid sheet, following the car in front. Positions should be maintained until the start lights go out. Failure to maintain position can result in a false start penalty being issued.

**Aborted Start,** if the lights stay on, this will indicate an aborted start. Drivers will go round again following the same procedure as before but with no safety car, pole position will control the Grid. Be aware that if an aborted start happens, the race time starts when the pole position car crosses the line at the aborted start.

**Safety Car** will be used for the races only. When the yellow flags/lights and S/C boards are displayed, all drivers will reduce their speed. The lead car will effectively become the safety car, until they meet the safety car, and all cars will line up behind the lead car. Safety car will enter the circuit onto the Cooper Straight and will exit into the pitlane. Once the safety car extinguishes its lights, the lead driver will resume the role of safety car once again. **There is to be no overtaking or overlapping of another car until you have passed the control/finish line.** Safety car regulations are page 301 of the Blue Book.

**When the safety car flags and boards go out, drivers are required to slow down significantly and immediately, not when they meet the safety car.**

The pitlane will remain open during safety car periods.

**Mandatory Pit Stop.** It is your responsibility to know the pit stop regulations. The Britcar staff are allowed to answer your questions on pit stop regulations. They are also Judges of Fact for pit stops. Pit stop time is taken from the pit in timing line to pit out timing line, beam to beam time is **24.8 seconds @ 40kph**. Pitlane speed limit is **40Kph**.

Mandatory pitstop time will be increased by 30 seconds to **120 seconds**, this is to allow teams to cleanse the interior of their cars in between driver changes.

When exiting the pitlane please take extra care when rejoining the circuit. Do not cross the white blend line on exit.

**Track Limits,** being an MSVR circuit we will be using the camera system on the exit of Paddock, Druids and Graham Hill Bend. In qualifying you will have the lap time removed, if it's your quickest.

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.

Third offence, 5 second time penalty.

Forth offence, 10 second time penalty.

Fifth offence drive thru/30 second time penalty.

Sixth offence, disqualification from race.

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 only available using the Safety Car at this circuit. Please pay attention to light and flag signals.

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

**Timing** will be done remotely, only two members of staff will be on site (for technical issues) 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 at [www.tsl-timing.com](http://www.tsl-timing.com). 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 in race control.

**Protests/Appeals** must be lodged electronically to me or the secretary of the meeting, Deborah Wells at [dwells.barc@gmail.com](mailto:dwells.barc@gmail.com) Fees can be paid up to 48 hours after the meeting, no cash.

**Things to note.**

**During the C1 sessions you must leave 2 meters clear at the front of your garage, for the C1's to use.**

On the grid, only one person per car and no work to be done, the car should be ready when it leaves the pit lane.

When lapping is being done, it is the responsibility of the driver doing the lapping to execute it safely.

Stop go box is on the right under race control as you exit the pitlane.



Judicial's will take place as normal. If called to race control please bring your footage and laptop. Judicial paperwork will be emailed to Entrant, driver if no entrant present.

Pay attention to the official WhatsApp page, as this is where we will give you information during the weekend.

The timetable is very tight, so we the organisers will do everything we can to save time, we ask you to do the same. On the slowing down lap, please keep a high pace so as to clear the circuit as soon as possible.

Any questions that can't wait till weekend, can be e-mailed to me at [abutler.barc@gmail.com](mailto:abutler.barc@gmail.com). Please copy Claire in.

Thank you and have an enjoyable meeting.

Andy.