



DRIVERS' BRIEFING NOTES

1.0 THE CIRCUIT

- 1.1 The Control Line (Timing Line) is in front of the Race Control Building. The Start lights are on the right-hand side of the track.
- 1.2 The pit lane speed limit will be strictly enforced. The start and end points are marked with boards.
- 1.3 When leaving the pits drivers must stay to the right of the line at the pit exit.
- 1.4 Track limits are to be respected at all times. All reports from the Judges of Fact are treated as fact and will be acted upon by the Clerk of the Course.
- 1.5 Parc Fermé is in the outer paddock by the Scrutineering Bay. At the end of every session, drivers will take the chequered flag, drive round to the Cooper Straight and leave the circuit before Surtees (turn 4). Please then drive down the pit lane and follow the instructions of the marshals who will guide you to Parc Fermé.

2.0 TRACK LIMITS

- 2.1 Please respect the track limits regulations. Drivers must use the track at all times and may not leave the track without a justifiable reason. For the avoidance of doubt (a) the white lines defining the track edges are considered to be part of the track, and (b) a driver will be judged to have left the track if any wheel of the car either goes beyond the outer edge of any kerb or goes beyond the white line where there is no kerb.
- 2.2 Breaches of the regulations may be penalised in accordance with MS UK regulation Q.12.22.1.

3.0 QUALIFYING

- 3.1 Access to the circuit for Qualifying is from the Assembly Area at the far end of the inner paddock, near to the pit entrance.
- 3.2 All cars will be noise tested before the first session. No car may enter the track before it has passed a noise test.
- 3.3 Drivers will be released from the Assembly Area into the pit lane and will go straight onto the track to start the session.
- 3.4 If you wish to travel slowly to get a clear lap, this must be done without hindering another driver in any way whatsoever; please use your mirrors.
- 3.5 Weaving, using the full width of the circuit is not permitted.
- 3.6 Drivers are reminded that if a fast lap time is set whilst passing a yellow flag, then, as a minimum, the lap time will be deleted, and an additional penalty may be applied by the Clerk of the Course.
- 3.7 Helmets and seat belts must be kept on until Drivers are in Parc Fermé.



4.0 RACES

- 4.1 Each race will have a standing start and each race distance will be **15 minutes**.
- 4.2 Cars may be called ahead of schedule, please listen for announcements on the paddock PA system. Cars will need to be in the assembly area 20 minutes before the stated session start time.
- 4.3 Cars will go directly from the Assembly Area, onto the track and then to the grid. Competitors should drive slowly into their grid position as there may be people standing on the grid.
- 4.4 The grid must be clear at the one-minute signal.
- 4.5 Please keep the formation lap as tight and as quick as possible.
- 4.6 On returning to the grid, when all cars are in position, the "5 SECONDS" board will be shown. Five seconds later the red lights will be switched on at the start line. The race starts when the red lights are switched off (if there is a failure of the lights the starter will use the national flag).
- 4.7 Only one change of direction to defend a position is permitted. Any driver moving back again must leave at least one car width between his car and the track edge.
- 4.8 At the end of each race all cars **are to take the chequered flag, drive round to the Cooper Straight and leave the circuit before Surtees (turn 4). Then drive down the pit lane and follow the instructions of the marshals who will guide you to Parc Fermé.**
- 4.9 Drivers will be directed by Ginetta staff for the podium ceremonies.

5.0 FLAGS & LIGHTS

- 5.1 Drivers are reminded that waved yellow flags are a warning of danger and may mean that there is a car stopped beside or partly on the track. Drivers must slow down sufficiently to ensure that full control of the car can be retained. No overtaking.
- 5.2 A double waved yellow means that there is a car on or partly blocking the track or marshals working trackside. Slow down considerably. Be prepared to suddenly change from the normal racing line or take other evasive action including stopping if necessary. No overtaking.
- 5.3 A waved blue flag in the race will normally only be shown to a car about to be lapped. This car must give way at the earliest opportunity.
- 5.4 In the event of red flags being shown, drivers should immediately slow down; no overtaking is permitted unless there is a very slow car with mechanical problems or damage. During qualifying, drivers should return to the pits and await instructions. During the races, drivers should return to the grid but stop short of the start line and follow the instructions of the marshals.

6.0 SAFETY CAR

- 6.1 The Safety Car, if deployed will enter the circuit from the Cooper Straight. First, waved yellow flags with stationary 'SC' boards will be displayed around the circuit. All cars must slow down immediately but without sudden braking. The Safety Car will then pick up the leader, or wave cars by to get the leader.



- 6.2 Once the incident is clear, the Safety Car lights will be switched off along the Cooper Straight. Once the Safety Car enter the pit lane it is the responsibility of the race leader to dictate the pace of the pack before the restart.
- 6.3 Please note that there must be no overtaking until you have passed the green flag at the control line.

7.0 ADDITIONAL INFORMATION

- 7.1 Driving Standards must be maintained, racing is a non-contact sport, please remember this.
- 7.2 Practice Starts are prohibited at all times, this includes during movement of cars from the paddock to the pit lane / grid and on the Green Flag lap.
- 7.3 Drivers are reminded that they must remain at the circuit for a minimum of 30 minutes after the time of issue of any provisional results.
- 7.4 Any driver summoned to attend an inquiry should go to the first floor of race control. Should a driver fail to attend an inquiry, then the inquiry will be held in their absence.
- 7.5 Protests and appeals must be submitted by email to the Secretary of the Meeting and be copied to the Clerk of the Course (email addresses are in the Final Instructions). Payments must be made by electronic means to MS UK as detailed on the form; cash payments will not be accepted
- 7.6 All paperwork issued will be published on the BARC “virtual noticeboard” which is on the BARC website under this event. www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/brands-hatch-november-13-14/
- 7.7 Timing information and results can be found at www.tsl-timing.com/event/214521

I wish you an enjoyable event.