<u>Brands Hatch Indy - 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022</u> Lancaster Insurance MGOC Drivers' Briefing Notes



**Event:** BARC Race Meeting **Date & Venue:** Brands Hatch Indy 16<sup>th</sup> & 17<sup>th</sup> April 2022 **Subject:** DRIVERS BRIEFING: 2022 Lancaster Insurance MGOC Championship – via BARC Noticeboard and Mandatory Briefing (Saturday @ 08.45) **Senior Clerk of the Course:** Ian Watson **Clerk of the Course**: Andrew Outterside

# TO BE READ IN CONJUNCTION WITH FINAL INSTRUCTIONS v4

# **CIRCUIT INFORMATION**

Lap length: 1.208 miles, Clockwise Start / Finish line are located on the Brabham Straight

Pole position: Standing Start on the right

Speed limit in pit lane: 60 km/h (38mph) – Please be aware of where the speed limit starts and ends.

Safety Car initial positions: Pit Entry, then Pit Lane Exit

When exiting the pits, drivers MUST be aware of competitors on the track. Please keep to the right of the white line.

Start lights are on the gantry above the track

Warning flags will be shown at the finish line

Inner Paddock Parking – there is NO PARKING of private cars in the Inner Paddock without a specific vehicle pass.

Official Noticeboard: <a href="https://www.barc.net/online\_noticeboard/brands-hatch-indy-april-16-17-2022/">https://www.barc.net/online\_noticeboard/brands-hatch-indy-april-16-17-2022/</a>

# TIME SCHEDULE (Times are from timetable v2 and may be subject to change)

TIMES ARE GREEN FLAG TIMES - Make sure you are ready for your race in good time. The timetable is tight, we cannot wait for late arrivals.

# **QUALIFYING**

You must go to the Assembly Area before your qualifying session for noise testing. You may access the Assembly via the rear of the garages, or by carefully travelling down the slow lane of the pit lane and turning right after race control to join the road at the rear of the inner paddock leading to the Assembly Area. Be aware the pit lane will be live. **PLEASE NOTE** - if you intend to use the pit lane route to the Assembly Area you MUST do so before the Truck qualifying session starts at 09.20. Once it starts the pit lane will be closed for safety reasons.

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If you wish to travel slowly to get a clear lap, this MUST be done without hindering another competitor in any way whatsoever. Please make use of your mirrors.

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

Track Limits will be enforced. Sensors and cameras are located of the exit of Paddock Hill Bend, Druids and Graham Hill Bend. If you set a fast lap time whilst exceeding tack limits, the relevant lap time will be removed.

At the end of the session, competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed without stopping and <u>exit the circuit at the end of the Cooper Straight at Post 9 before Turn</u> <u>4.</u> If you are not directed to Parc Fermé please make your way promptly to your garage or the paddock.

## RACE START PROCEDURES

NOTE: FOR THIS MEETING THE RACE START PROCEDURE IS DIFFERENT TO THAT STATED IN YOUR REGULATIONS-THE GREEN FLAG LAP WILL COMMENCE FROM THE PITS NOT THE GRID

You will be called out of your garages by the marshals and assembled in grid order in the Pit Lane. The countdown for the Green Flag Lap will be in the Pit Lane. You will then proceed on your Green Flag Lap to the Grid behind the Safety Car. Once all cars are formed on the Grid in their positions, a 5 second board will be shown. The lights will be switched on 5 seconds after this board is withdrawn. The start signal will be given between 2 and 7 seconds by the red lights being switched off. In the event of the start lights failing, the start signal may be given by the downward motion of the National Flag.

IT IS THE COMPETITOR'S RESPONSIBILITY TO CORRECTLY POSITION THEIR CARS IN THEIR GRID POSITION - in particular, establish which side of the grid you are on - refer to the grid sheet and row markers.

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# FLAG / SAFETY CAR PROCEDURES

## Red flag/lights:

If in qualifying, return to the Pit Lane, follow the directions of the marshals at all times During races, return to the Grid, stopping short to enable formation of any revised grid. Follow the directions of the marshals at all times.

#### Yellow flags/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.

#### Black/orange flag

You must come into the pits on the next lap.

#### Stop/Go & Drive through penalties

Must be taken within 3 laps, unless the Safety Car is on circuit

#### Safety Car - refer to General Regulations Section Q Appendix 3

The Safety Car, if deployed, will enter the circuit on the Cooper Straight. Waved yellow flags and "SC" boards will be displayed around the circuit. All cars must reduce speed. The Safety Car will endeavour to pick up the leader. All cars must remain within five car lengths of the car on front. You may be called through by the Safety Car so that the leader is in front – watch out for a signal from the Safety Car. When the Safety Car is about to be withdrawn, the lights will be switched off approximately 2/3rds of the way around the circuit. It is then the leader's responsibility to dictate the pace of traffic before the restart. No overtaking or overlapping is permitted until you have passed the green flag at the finish line.

## RACE FINISH

All competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed, and <u>exit the circuit at the end of the Cooper Straight</u>. Follow the directions of the marshals to Parc Fermé or your garages / paddock.

## **GENERAL NOTES**

#### **Driving Standards**

This is a non-contact sport. A high standard of driving is expected. Any contact brought to the attention of the Clerk (via Race Control or a Competitor) will be investigated. Be aware of cars around you by use of your mirrors. It is the responsibility of the faster car to find a safe way past a slower vehicle. Make allowances for less experienced drivers and less experienced drivers should make use of their mirrors so they are fully aware of a faster vehicle approaching and making a pass. Please note that when applying for your race licence you agreed to follow the values of the governing body's Respect Code - <a href="https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/">https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/</a>

## Track Limits

Track Limits will be enforced. Sensors and cameras are located at the exit of Paddock Hill Bend, Druids and Graham Hill Bend. In addition, Judges of Fact may be appointed. Penalties are as per Motorsport UK Regulation 12.22.1 and are as follows:-

- 1<sup>st</sup> breach no penalty
- 2<sup>nd</sup> breach warning flag
- 3<sup>rd</sup> breach 5 second penalty added to race time
- 4<sup>th</sup> breach 10 second penalty added to race time
- 5<sup>th</sup> breach drive through penalty
- 6<sup>th</sup> breach black flag

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Please note there is the option to conduct a snatch under the Safety Car.

## **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. This will affect other races.

#### Noise

Be aware of the curfew - <u>no engines before 08:15 on Saturday / 09.15 on Sunday</u> or <u>after 18:45</u> <u>on both days</u>.

#### Accidents

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.

#### PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Must be submitted electronically to:-

aoutterside.barc@gmail.com and ajoy.barc@gmail.com

You are advised to bring a Windows based laptop computer with you to enable submission of any protests or appeals.

#### <u>AOB</u>

Any questions can be addressed at the <u>Mandatory Briefing at 08.45 on Saturday</u> in the Briefing Room located adjacent to the café in the inner paddock. Throughout the meeting the Clerk can be contacted via the Secretary of the Meeting or Race Control.

Andrew Outterside Clerk of the Course