



## **COMPETITORS BRIEFING NOTES – Oulton Park (International)**

**28<sup>th</sup> May 2022**

On behalf of the BARC North Western Centre welcome to Oulton Park.

Please ensure you read these briefing notes in conjunction with the Final Instructions, Supplementary Regulations and Championship Briefing Notes on the Online Noticeboard:

<https://www.barc.net/event/barc-race-meeting-oultion-park-2/>

### **SIGNING ON**

Please ensure you have completed your self-declaration online prior to arriving at the circuit.

### **DRIVER BRIEFINGS**

#### **New Drivers Briefing**

For drivers who have not previously raced at Oulton Park a face-to-face briefing will take place at 08:00 in the Media Centre.

#### **Championship Briefings**

Please refer to the Final Instructions and the Online Noticeboard.

### **SCRUTINEERING**

Physical Scrutineering will be carried out at this race meeting. Please refer to the Final Instructions and the Timetable.

### **TRACK ACTIVITY**

For the location of Race Control, Medical Centre, Assembly Area, Parc Ferme, Access & Egress points and other circuit buildings please refer to the Paddock Plan in the Final Instructions. Race Control houses the Secretary of the Meeting, the Clerks of the Course, the Stewards, Timekeepers and the Media Centre.

Please ensure that you are ready in your car to go to the Assembly Area at the advertised time in the timetable.

### **Qualifying**

CTCRC Super Tourers/Pre'03: Qualifying sessions will start from the Pit Lane.

For all other sessions: Cars will be released from the Assembly Area into the Pit Lane to enter the Track, timing will start when the lights at the end of the Pit Lane go Green. In qualifying if you are on a slow lap use your mirrors and observe Blue Flags, do not compromise anyone on their quick lap. You must complete a minimum of three laps in qualifying to guarantee qualification for your race.

## **Racing**

### **Standing Starts**

Cars will leave the Assembly Area and will follow the Safety Car to the Grid via the Fosters Loop. Cars will be lined up by the Marshals in Qualifying position order. When all Cars are lined up correctly you will receive the countdown prior to being shown the Green Flag to commence your Green Flag Lap of the International Circuit. Please complete the Green Flag Lap at a reasonable pace. BARC NW reserves the right to start the Race Clock if the Green Flag Lap takes longer than 4 minutes.

### **Start Lights**

Are located on the Gantry above the grid. For Standing Starts once the grid is formed a 5 second board will be shown followed by the Red Lights, the signal to start racing is the lights going out after 2 to 7 seconds. In the case of a light failure the Union Flag will be used.

Starting Grid will be a 2 x 2 formation.

### **Rolling Starts**

CTCRC BOSS/Thunder: Cars will leave the Assembly Area and will follow the Safety Car to the Grid via the Fosters Loop. Cars will be lined up by the Marshals in Qualifying position order. When all Cars are lined up correctly you will receive the countdown prior to being shown the Green Flag to commence your Green Flag Rolling Lap of the International Circuit.

CTCRC Super Tourers/Pre'03: Will follow the same procedure except cars will line up in Pit Lane clear of the Fast Lane in accordance with the Marshals Instructions. For the Race Start, this will be when the Red Lights go out for Super Tourers and on the Union Flag with a 10 second delay for Pre'03.

### **End of Practice/Qualifying/Racing Procedure**

At the end of the session Competitors will take the Chequered Flag, then complete a full lap of the International Circuit. All cars will be directed to

Parc Fermé following Marshal's instructions at Deer Leap. Helmets and seat belts must be kept on until you are in Parc Fermé.

## **DRIVING STANDARDS**

At all times show respect and consideration to your fellow Competitors especially on track. Please remember this is a non-contact sport.

**Track limits are to be respected at all times, they will be monitored by Track Sensors or Judges of Fact at:**

**Exit of Old Hall (Turn 1)**

**Exit of Cascades (Turn 2)**

**Exit of Lodge (Turn 7)**

**A reminder of track limits penalties:**

### **Qualifying**

Lap time removed.

### **Race Penalties**

1<sup>st</sup> Offence – Noted by the Clerk of the Course

2<sup>nd</sup> Offence – Black and White Flag

3<sup>rd</sup> Offence – 5 Second Time Penalty

4<sup>th</sup> Offence – 10 Second Time Penalty

5<sup>th</sup> Offence – Drive Through Penalty (*Observing Pit Speed Limit*)

6<sup>th</sup> Offence – Black Flag (Disqualification)



## **SAFETY CAR**

**The Safety Car is available for Racing Only.**

The Safety Car will join the circuit at the Pit Lane Exit. The Safety Car will leave the circuit by the Pit Lane Entrance. At the end of the Safety Car deployment overtaking is not permitted until you have passed the Start Line where the Green Flag is displayed.

## **LIVE SNATCH**

Live Snatch is not available at Oulton Park.

## **FLAG & LIGHT SIGNALS**

Control Flags: These flags (Black, Black & White. Mechanical etc.) are shown from the Pit Wall at the control line on drivers right and, where possible, will be repeated on the TSL Timing Screen.

Marshal Flag Points/Light Panels: Please familiarise yourself with the location of the Flag Points and Light Panels around the circuit. Please note some of the Light Panels do not match the location of the Flag Points, however they both carry the same authority

## **BREAKDOWNS**

If you stop trackside, please follow two simple instructions; a) park your car as close to the marshals' 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.

## **LICENSE UPGRADES**

Upgrade signatures can now be obtained, please leave your upgrade card with the Race Secretary.

## **OFF TRACK**

The paddock is an area of danger and a 10mph speed limit is in place at all times. Competitors are responsible for the actions of people associated with their entry so please ensure everyone is following the rules and regulations which are in force at this time. Do not use more paddock space than is essential.

Please respect the Marshals and Officials at all times. At the end of your race please give the Marshals a wave.

Finally, and most importantly have an enjoyable and successful days racing at Oulton Park.

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