





# DRIVERS BRIEFING NOTES – CROFT (6<sup>th</sup> & 7<sup>th</sup> August 2022)

On behalf of BARC and CGRC, please read these notes prior to attending the circuit, we reserve the right to call a Face to Face briefing at the venue.

Please ensure therefore, that you register for the WhatsApp Group and check the Virtual Noticeboard.

https://Croft – August 6/7 2022 – Welcome to the BARC

#### **SIGNING ON**

Please ensure you fill in your self-declaration online prior to arriving at circuit, Cadwell Park and Snetterton there were a number of you that did not do until the Saturday Morning, we reserve the right to fine you if you do not do this prior to the start of the meeting.

## **SCRUTINEERING**

Scrutineering is now carried out in person and is scheduled for 08:00 on Saturday, but maybe carried out on the Friday if you are present at the circuit for testing.

## **ASSEMBLY AREA LOCATION & PROCEDURE ONTO CIRCUIT.**

Please make sure you are in the assembly area at least 20 minutes before your session is due to start, the Assembly Area is located in the paddock, on the inside of Cleveurex. We will notify you by CGRC WhatsApp (Drivers Bulletin) Group of any changes to programme, ensure you are registered to receive these notifications from RaceAdmin@cgrc.uk (*Vicki Houldcroft*)

For **Practice/Qualifying**, you will be released from the Assembly Area onto the circuit for your session.

For **Races** you will leave the Assembly Area and complete a lap to the grid, once formed, countdown will commence 1 Minute, 30 Seconds, then a Green Flag Lap back to grid. Where once all in place we will go into Race Start. You should not overtake on this lap, unless a car in front is slowing down to pull off.

Race 7 & 14 – Sigma 135 (Grids on Race 7 - Fastest Qualifying Times, Race 14 – 2<sup>nd</sup> Fastest Qualifying Times) 5 Second Board

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Which is showing you the time till the red lights going on, red lights then come on and 2-7 seconds later the red lights will go off, this is the Race Start.

Race 4 & 12 – Sigma 150 & Sigmax (Grids Race 4 - on Fastest Qualifying Times, Race 12 – on 2<sup>nd</sup> Fastest Qualifying Times)

Split Grid with Sigma 150 on Front with 2 Row Gap then Sigmax

#### 5 Second Board (Sigma 150)

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# 10 Seconds after the Sigma 150 start, the Union Flag will be raised (Indicating Red Lights on) and then dropped 2-7 seconds later to indicate Race Start for the Sigmax.

If you have any problems on the grid, please try and wave your hand so the marshals can see you.

#### **PIT LANE ENTRANCE / EXIT**

On Drivers left after the exit of Hairpin. The speed limit in the Pitlane is 60 kph. When exiting the pits the lights are on your Right side, do not exit against a Red Light. When exiting do not cross the blend line, and do not move across on to the racing line until it is safe to do so.

#### **START LIGHTS – LOCATION**

At Croft the Start Lights are above the circuit on the gantry to the left. Be aware that other signals such as Race Delayed may be shown from the Startline Gantry. The race will start when the Red Lights go out, or Dropping of Union Flag.

#### LAST LAP BOARD

A last Lap board will be displayed from the Startline at the start and duration of the Races Last Lap.

#### END OF PRACTICE/RACE – PROCEDURE FOR LEAVING THE CIRCUIT

At the end of all your sessions you will take the Chequered Flag and slow down and exit the circuit into Pitlane and make your way to Parc-Ferme, which is situated at the far end of Pitlane to the left just before the Assembly Area.

#### **QUALIFYING/RACE STOPS**

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If your **Qualifying** gets red flagged, you must slowdown sufficiently and return to the pit lane unless marshals tell you otherwise.

If you have a red flag during the **Race** you cease racing and return to the grid unless told otherwise, which will automatically become Parc-Ferme.

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#### **DRIVING STANDARDS**

At all times show respect and consideration for your fellow competitors and all marshals and officials., obeying all Flag signals.

Do not flaunt the track limit regulations. At Croft there will be appointed Judges of Fact at locations on the circuit. Just to remind you of the track limits penalties, these are what they will be:

During Qualifying if you have gained an advantage on the lap where you are reported to have breached track limits you will have that lap time removed.

#### **Race penalties**

1<sup>st</sup> Offence - No action

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)

If you inadvertently gain an unfair advantage on track, at the earliest possible moment give back that advantage.



Should your vehicle develop a mechanical problem whilst on track, and particularly if it is dropping fluids, please leave the track as soon as it is possible and safe to do so, and if possible as close to a marshals point as possible to aide assistance.

#### **SAFETY CAR**

The Safety Car will be deployed as per Championship Regulations, please ensure you have read and understand the procedure.

The Safety Car will join the circuit from the Pit Lane Exit. The Safety Car will leave the circuit by the Pit Lane Entrance. Overtaking during the Safety Car is not permitted until you have passed the Startline, on the Green Flag.

#### LIVE SNATCH

At Croft we have the ability to live snatch at Clevereux (first Corner) this will be done under waved Yellows and White Flags and we may not deploy the Safety Car.

#### **CONTROL FLAGS**

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

#### **ON BOARD CAMERAS**

Please ensure that all onboard cameras are switched on and have a card in them prior to Qualifying and Racing, it is an offence as per Championship Regulation 2.13 (iv) not to have a working Camera. If you need to bring footage to myself, please can you bring hardware to view as there are so many different cards and I am unable to read every type.

Incidents on circuit are not always seen by Post Chiefs, and reported, or in fact seen differently than what actually occurs. If you have anything that you want me to look at, ensure that you let me know on the day, as I am unable to act days or weeks after the event, if you advise Vicki of this, she can advise me via our communication links.

## UPGRADE CARDS

If you require you upgrade cards signed, please ensure that you hand them in at the start of the meeting to Secretary of the meeting, ensuring that a photo is attached.

Finally, I would just like to remind you all of the saying "you cannot win a race on the first corner/Lap" and "You have to Finish to be in a chance to Win"

We wish you a successful and enjoyable meeting.

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