

British Endurance Championship.

Driver Briefing Notes.

Donington Park (GP Circuit) (2.490 miles) 22nd October 2022

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

Event on line notice board is at https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/donington-park-october-22-23-2022/

You should all **sign on** in race administration, 1st floor of race control at 07:30. You need to take your race licence with you.

Noise Testing, you will be noise tested in front of your garage at 09:25. Before your practice session. Please consider that the session before will be using the pitlane.

Circuit entry, for all sessions you will enter the circuit from your garage.

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 at the far end of the pit lane. You will be guided in by marshals.

All cars from all sessions will go to Parc fermé.

On the slowing down lap, please keep a high pace up to clear the circuit as soon as possible.

Qualifying.

There will be a 20-minute free practice session before qualifying begins. After this session qualifying will begin immediately, the chequered flag will be waved at the control/timing line to signal the end of free practice and the start of qualifying.

No refuelling is allowed during this 50-minute session.

All drivers must complete a minimum of 3 laps, in the vehicle to be raced, during the 30-minute qualifying session.

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 race. 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 formation 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 the Fogarty Esses Turn 10, where it will begin to slow down. All cars should start to form up behind the safety car ready for the start. Entering Goddard's, 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 are extinguished. 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 and S/C boards are displayed, all drivers will reduce their speed. Safety car will enter the circuit from the pitlane 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 303/304 of the Blue Book.

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

The pitlane will remain open during safety car periods. No refuelling can take place during safety car periods.

Mandatory Pit Stop. It is your responsibility to know the pit stop regulations. The BEC staff are allowed to answer your questions on pit stop regulations. They are also Judges of Fact for pit stops.

For your two mandatory pit stops, the pit lane opens after 20 minutes and closed 100 minutes after the race start.

Pit stop time is taken from the pit in timing line to pit out timing line, beam to beam time is **23 seconds @ 40kph.** Pitlane speed limit is **40Kph.**

Track Limits, MSV camera systems is positioned at the exits of Redgate, Old Hairpin, McLeans. Turn 10 will be a Judge of Fact.

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 taken.

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.

Live snatch is available 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. 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. You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the grid.

Judicial/Camera cards. Please remember to deposit camera cards in the dedicated box in Parc fermé.

If you are requested to come and see me or want me to look at your camera footage, I will be in the clerk's office 1st floor of race control.

Protests/Appeals must be lodged electronically to me abutler.barc@gmail.com and the secretary of the meeting, Nicole Cummins at ncummins.barc@gmail.com

Things to note.

Start line is under the gantry lights. Control/finish line is in front of race control.

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.

This is a long lap, even so, seven minutes from when the pit lane opens are long enough to get to the grid. Anyone not on the grid at seven minutes will start from the rear of the grid.

The green flag/rolling lap should be completed within four minutes, if it isn't, we reserve the right to start the race time at four minutes.

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

Stop go penalty box is on the left as you enter the pitlane under race control.

Judicial's will take place as normal. Judicial paperwork will be emailed to the driver.

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

Thank you and have an enjoyable meeting.



Andy Butler.

Clerk of the Course.