



Silverstone Grand Prix Circuit

25/26 March 2023

Classic Touring Car Racing Club Drivers' Briefing

Event: BARC Race Meeting HQ01
Date: 25/26 March 2023
Venue: Silverstone Grand Prix Circuit -
Senior Clerk of the Course: Peter Roberts
Clerk of the Course: Andrew Outterside
Deputy Clerk of the Course: Darren Holmes
Subject: DRIVERS BRIEFING
Date: Saturday 25 March 2023
Briefing Location: Garage under Race Control

Briefing Times: 08:15 - BOSS / Thunder / Jaguars
09:45 - Pre 93 / Pre 03 / Super Tourers
11:00 - Pre 66 / Pre 83

WELCOME and INTRODUCTIONS

On behalf of the BARC, welcome to Silverstone for the first meeting of the season.

My name is Andrew Outterside and I am your Championship Clerk of the Course for this weekend, along with my colleague Darren Holmes. I will also be in this role throughout 2023 and look forward the season ahead.

This briefing assumes you have read the Final Instructions – it does not replace them. If you need to access the Final Instructions, they are published on the BARC Event Information page for the meeting, via this link:-

<https://www.barc.net/event/barc-race-meeting-silverstone-grand-prix-2/>

This page also includes links to the Live Stream (when available), Timing and Results, Timetable, and the Online Noticeboard. The Noticeboard displays Briefing Notes, Bulletins, Published Results and Judicial Decisions.

Before going through some key operational points for this meeting I would just like to make an obvious but important comment. For the majority, if not all of you, this will be first race for many months. **Please take your time to get back into racing and give due allowances to others on circuit.**

CIRCUIT INFORMATION

Lap length: 3.66 miles.

Direction: Clockwise.

Pole position: Rolling Start – on RIGHT
Standing Start – on LEFT

Assembly area: Behind Medical Centre just before Brooklands Corner.

Start line: At the start gantry.

Finish line and Control Line: Adjacent to the race control building just after Woodcote Corner.

Pit lane entry: On driver's right following the exit of Luffield (keep right around Luffield if accessing the pits).

Pit lane speed limit: 60 km/h (38mph) – please be aware of where the speed limit starts and ends.

Exiting the pits: Keep to the right of the solid white blend line.

Start lights: Located on the gantry above the track.

Warning flags / signals: Will be shown at the finish / control line.



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TIME SCHEDULE

TIMES ARE **GREEN FLAG TIMES**, NOT START TIMES – please make sure you are in the assembly area in good time. We cannot wait for late arrivals. If you are delayed, you may be permitted to start from the pit lane following the start of the first racing lap.

Your scheduled sessions and times are currently:-

- **BOSS / Thunder / Jaguars**

Qualifying	09.00 – 09.15 (15 minutes)
Race 1 (Saturday)	13.05 – 13.25 (20 minutes)
Race 6 (Sunday)	10.15 – 10.40 (25 minutes)

- **Pre 93 / Pre 03 / Super Tourers**

Qualifying	10.35 – 10.50 (15 minutes)
Race 3 (Saturday)	16.55 – 17.15 (20 minutes)
Race 7 (Sunday)	11.00 – 11.25 (25 minutes)

- **Pre 66 / Pre 83**

Qualifying	11.50 – 12.05 (15 minutes)
Race 4 (Saturday)	17.30 – 17.50 (20 minutes)
Race 10 (Sunday)	14.25 – 14.50 (25 minutes)

QUALIFYING

All cars, except for Super Tourers, will proceed to the assembly area where noise testing will be carried out. Competitors will be released from the assembly area to start their qualifying session. You do not need to enter the pits unless you have to.

The **Super Tourers** in the pit garages must only move from their pit garages under the direction of a marshal. For qualifying they will assemble in the pit lane, line up behind the Course Car at the pit exit and follow the Course Car, until it exits into the pit lane, and then proceed into the qualifying session (you do not need to follow the Course Car into the pits unless you choose to do so)

If you wish to travel slowly to get a clear lap, this **MUST** be carried out without hindering another competitor. Please make use of your mirrors. Using more than 50% of the track to warm tyres is not permitted.

At the end of the session, competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed without stopping and enter the pit lane and then proceed to Parc Fermé as directed by the marshals.

RACING - START PROCEDURE - ROLLING START – BOSS / Thunder / Jaguars

The following procedure will apply:

- Access to the circuit will be via the assembly area.
- Cars will be released from the assembly area and take their position on the grid in 2 x 2 formation.
- When all cars are in position the countdown will commence with 1 minute and 30 second boards shown followed by a waved green flag.



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- Cars will then follow the Safety Car – do not fall back from the car ahead and maintain formation.
- If we are happy with the formation and there are no incidents on the formation lap the lights on the Safety Car will be extinguished along the Wellington Straight to indicate that the race is due to start.
- The Safety Car will depart and enter the pit lane. The driver of the car in pole position then becomes responsible for maintaining the original pace of the Safety Car and all competitors will remain in close formation as the cars approach the start line.
- The signal to start will be the red lights going out on the start line. In the event of a light failure, the signal to start may be given by the downward motion of the national flag.
- If the Safety Car stays out and / or the red lights stay on, this indicates that the start has been aborted. The cars will proceed around the circuit and reattempt the start.

RACING - START PROCEDURE - ROLLING START - Super Tourers / Pre 93 / Pre 03 (TWO PART START)

The rolling start of the race will be in **two parts** and the following procedure will apply:

- Access to the circuit will be via the assembly area (with the exception of the Super Tourers).
- The **Super Tourers** will leave their pit garages under the direction of a marshal and will line up in grid order behind the Course Car at the pit exit. They will then follow the Course Car, until it exits into the pit lane, and then proceed to take their position on the grid for the race in 2 x 2 formation.
- Once the Super Tourers have passed the assembly area, the other vehicles will be released from the assembly area and take their position on the grid in 2 x 2 formation.
- When all cars are in position the countdown will commence with 1 minute and 30 second boards shown followed by a waved green flag.
- Cars will then follow the Safety Car, with **the drivers of the cars in the front row of the second part of the grid (Pre 93 / Pre 03) being responsible for leaving a 10 second gap to the Super Tourers**. Do not fall back from the car ahead and maintain formation.
- If we are happy with the formation and there are no incidents on the formation lap the lights on the Safety Car will be extinguished along the Wellington Straight to indicate that the race is due to start. The Safety Car will depart and enter the pit lane.
- **PART ONE – SUPER TOURERS START**
The driver of the car in pole position of the Super Tourers then becomes responsible for maintaining the original pace of the Safety Car and all competitors will remain in close formation as the cars approach the start line. **The Super Tourers race will start when the red lights on the start gantry are extinguished**. In the event of a light failure, the signal to start may be given by the downward motion of the national flag.

PART TWO - PRE 93 / PRE 03

The driver of the car in pole position of the second part of the grid (**Pre 93 / Pre 03**) is responsible for maintaining the original pace of the Safety Car and the 10 second gap to the Super Tourers and all competitors will remain in close formation as the cars approach the start line for the second start. **The Pre 93 / Pre 03 classes will start on the falling of the National Flag displayed on the start gantry.**

- If the Safety Car stays out and / or the red lights stay on, this indicates that the start has been aborted. The cars will proceed around the circuit and reattempt the start.



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RACING - START PROCEDURE - STANDING START - Pre 66 / Pre 83

The following procedure will apply:

- Access to the circuit will be via the assembly area.
- Cars will be released from the assembly area and proceed to the grid, taking their position on the grid in 2 x 2 formation.
- When all cars are in position the countdown will commence with 1 minute and 30 second boards shown followed by a waved green flag.
- The cars will proceed on their green flag lap at good speed, please note using more than 50% of the track to warm tyres is not permitted.
- At the end of the green flag lap the cars will form up on the grid again in their correct positions.
- Once the grid is complete the 5 second board will be shown on the start gantry.
- The red lights will be switched on 5 seconds after the 5 second board is withdrawn.
- The race will start when the red lights are extinguished (between 2 and 7 seconds later).
- In the event of any starting lights failure the Starter will revert to use of the national flag. The race will start on the downward motion of the national flag.

Any car removed from the grid or driven into the pits on the green flag lap shall be held in the pit lane and may start the race after the last car to take the start from the grid has passed the start-line or pit lane exit, whichever is later.

Any driver unable to start the green flag lap or start the race is required to indicate their situation by raising an arm vertically or opening a door.

Any driver unable to maintain their grid position on the green flag lap, to the extent that all other cars are ahead of them, may complete the green flag lap but must remain at the rear of the last row of the grid but ahead of any cars to be started with a time delay.

RACE FINISH

All competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed, and enter the pit lane. Follow the directions of the marshals to Parc Fermé.

FLAGS / LIGHTS

Red flag / lights:

- **IN QUALIFYING - return to the pit lane**, following the directions of the marshals at all times.
- **IN RACE - return to the grid**, stopping short to enable formation of any revised grid, following 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.



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Black + Orange flag / lights:

- You must come into the pits on the next lap.

LIVE SNATCH

Please note there is the option to carry out LIVE Snatch under local waved yellows.

SAFETY CAR PROCEDURE

The Safety Car will enter the circuit at the pit exit after Copse Corner. 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 metres of the car in front, except for the leader who will leave a sufficient gap to the car ahead to allow the Safety Car to join the circuit in front of the leader. When the Safety Car is due to be withdrawn, the lights will be switched off. It is then the leader's responsibility to dictate the pace of traffic before the restart.

REMEMBER

No Overtaking or Overlapping until you have passed the green flag at the control/finish line

TRACK LIMITS

Track limits will be monitored around the circuit and particularly at turns 1, 7, and 15.

A driver will be judged to have left the track **if any tyre (wheel) of the vehicle goes completely beyond either the outer edge of any kerb or the white line where there is no kerb.**

In **QUALIFYING**, any breach of the track limit regulations will result in the corresponding lap time being deleted, irrespective of whether the lap time is the fastest or not.

In **RACES**, a first breach will be noted. A second breach may, if possible, result in the driver being shown the Black & White flag. A third breach will result in the driver receiving a 5-second time penalty. Further breaches will result in additional penalties.

TECHNICAL PROBLEMS AND ACCIDENTS

If you have a mechanical problem, pull off the circuit in a safe location. Do not continue round the circuit with the risk of leaving oil on the track. This will affect other races. If you are involved in a heavy accident, stay in your vehicle. Await the arrival of assistance. You will be looked after.

DRIVING CONDUCT

All incidents reported by officials and marshals will be investigated. If you wish to report an incident, please see Darren or me and if you are involved in an incident, **DO NOT** leave the circuit before checking in with us.



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ONBOARD CAMERAS

Your regulations require that at least **one working forward facing camera must be fitted to vehicles**. Evidence from cameras is an important part of the process of investigating incidents and officials may make use of any such footage in reaching their decisions on judicial matters. If you are called to see the Clerk of the Course or wish to report an incident to the Clerk of the Course, please bring your SD Card and preferably a laptop to show the relevant footage. Competitors who are unable to supply footage when requested may be subject to a penalty.

RACE WITH RESPECT

Motorsport UK's Respect Code champions a high standard of behaviour from everyone within the motorsport community underpinned by MSUK's commitment to make motorsport an inclusive and safe sport for everyone.

The Respect Code applies to all participants in an event, competitors, parents, officials, marshals, team managers, mechanics, spectators, or any other participant. It is incumbent on us all to Respect our fellow participant and to 'call out' poor standards of behaviour. Breaching the obligations may result in disciplinary action.

By participating in a Motorsport UK event, in any capacity, you are agreeing to follow the values of the governing body's Respect Code:

- Respect
- Integrity
- Fair Play
- Self-control
- Good Manners

Motorsport UK ask all members to pledge to #RaceWithRespect and:

- Contribute to a welcoming and friendly environment that ensures the safety and welfare of all participants.
- Always behave with integrity and uphold fairness in the sport; play your part in keeping the sport safe through your actions.
- Treat everyone with respect, regardless of their gender, ethnicity or socio-economic background, language, religious or other beliefs, disability, sexual identity, or other status.
- Recognise that we all represent the sport and therefore have a duty to be polite and respectful to all staff, officials, competitors, volunteers, as well as fans and supporters.
- Respect the rules, regulations and authority of the officials and Motorsport UK

PROTESTS AND APPEALS

Should any competitor wish to submit a Protest or Appeal then it must be submitted electronically – documents should be sent to the Secretary of the Meeting – Nicole Cummins ncummins.barc@gmail.com You are advised to bring a suitable laptop computer to enable submission of protests or appeals. Please note time limits apply and the recent amendment to (C) 5.2.1. of the Blue Book that ***"A Protest against another Competitor must be made within 30 minutes of the finish of the competition"***.



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ANY QUESTIONS / QUERIES / ISSUES

Please come and see me or Darren – we can be contacted via the Secretary of the Meeting (first floor of race control).

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