



Championship Bulletin 2023

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Sporting Regulations:

The following regulation amendments are made with immediate effect. Deletions are shown in ~~blue strikethrough~~, and additions are shown in red underline.

4.2 Additional Championship Penalties

4.2.10 It is a condition of Entry to the Championship that all Drivers agree that where a driver has received a penalty, the video evidence may be retained beyond the period specified in Motorsport UK regulation J.5.21.14 and later shown to some or all drivers within the Championship (or other Caterham Championships) for the purpose of driver education as to driving standards.

4.3 Behaviour Warning Points

4.3.1 All penalties imposed by the Clerk of the Course will accumulate championship Behaviour Warning Points which will be defined by Championship Bulletin. for which the following scale will apply:

- i) Verbal warning* = 1 BWP
- ii) Time penalty* = 1 BWP
- iii) Formal written reprimand = 2 BWP
- iv) C1.1.5 offence = 2 BWP
- v) Q12.21.4 offence = 2 BWP
- vi) Disqualification from the meeting = 6 BWP

* Unless for a C1.1.5 or Q12.21.4 offence, in which case the higher penalty identified in [iv] and [v] will apply.

4.3.2 The Championship Coordinator may record and report to the Championship Stewards any behaviour, at any time, that may be deemed to bring the Championship into disrepute, including incidents during test sessions.

At the Championship Stewards' discretion upon review of the report and evidence, a single BWP may be issued.

4.3.3 Behaviour Warning Points are cumulative and each individual BWP penalty is valid from point of application until the completion (including DNF's) of eighteen subsequent races in which a driver takes part; ie: a season's worth of racing allowing for a 'dropped' weekend. Therefore, the points will generally



carry across into the following season. A driver that only competes periodically may find that their BWP total carries forward into two or more seasons. BWPs will be logged by the Championship officials.

4.3.4 When the below BWP thresholds are reached (or exceeded), the driver will be penalised as follows:

3 BWP = 10 place grid penalty in the next race where grid position has been determined by a qualifying time or race finish and where the driver would otherwise start the race (carried forward to the next race meeting if required). If 3 BWP are reached or exceeded in the final round of the year, a championship points deduction equivalent to ten places will be applied to the driver's score for that race.

5 BWP = 2 x 10 place grid penalties to be served as above at the next applicable two races. If 5 BWP are reached or exceeded in the final round of the year, a championship points deduction equivalent to twenty places will be applied to the driver's score for that race.

7 BWP = Championship (or guest) registration suspended with immediate effect; meaning the driver is unable to take part in further races until reinstated. If the suspension occurs before the end of a race weekend, there will be no entry fee refund. The suspension will be in place for any remaining time of the race weekend in which it occurred, plus the subsequent race weekend. The only exception to this is if the suspension point occurred in Qualifying, in which case, registration will be reinstated at the end of the weekend.

If 7 BWP are reached or exceeded in the final round of the year, the driver's Championship points score for that race will be zero and must be included as one of the (up to) eighteen scores counting towards the championship total (so may not be 'dropped').

9 BWP = As per 7 BWP and additionally the driver's further participation in in the Championship will be referred to the Championship Stewards. This may result in the driver's Championship registration being revoked with immediate effect; meaning the driver is unable to take part in further races. There will be no refund of the registration fee.

In this instance, the driver will be removed from the Championship table (as they are no longer eligible to be part of the championship), but Championship points awarded prior to this will not be redistributed to other drivers.

4.3.4 For clarity of any final round points deduction: The points a driver receives from the race will be the number of points that would have been scored had the driver finished ten or twenty (as applicable) places further back, regardless of whether there were sufficient cars in the event to enable this. The minimum score will be 0. Therefore, a DNF or disqualification will not have any further deduction. Other drivers will retain their race finish scores (and not 'move up' a place).

4.3.5 The Behaviour Warning Points system, developed in International GT racing, acknowledges that many incidents are regrettable errors and therefore allows scope for a driver to make a mistake during the year without further penalty. However, the cumulative nature will penalise those drivers that are repeat offenders in whatever guise, with increasing severity.

4.3.6 BWPs are separate from, and in addition to, any other penalty, such as those imposed via the championship points multiplier.

Reason:

Safety: To improve the driving standards within the Championship through deterrent; with an extended, structured competition penalty system to both enhance the Motorsport UK Official's judicial action and permit review by the Championship Stewards of action (driving or otherwise) that may take place away from the Permitted event.

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