





# DRIVERS BRIEFING NOTES – SNETTERTON (300) – 13<sup>th</sup> & 14<sup>th</sup> May 2023

Welcome to Snetterton from BARC and CGRC, for our second event of the 2023 Season.

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

#### **SIGNING ON**

This has been carried out electronically on BARC Alpha system before Saturday.

#### **SCRUTINEERING**

Scrutineering has now completed.

## **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, at the end of the Garages and on the inside of the last corner. Noise Testing will be carried out on entry to the Assembly Area. 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)

Please abide by the rules when transiting through the paddock, ie speed limit of 5 mph, and no carrying persons on your cars through the paddocks and along the roadways.

For **Qualifying**, you will be released from the Assembly Area into the Pitlane and then onto the circuit for your session.

For **Races** you leave the Assembly area and form on the Grid. You will then be shown the 1 Min / 30 Second Board and Green Flag, do a complete lap and reform on the Grid, once all set, Red Lights will come on and  $\underline{2-7}$  Seconds later be switched off to signify the Start of the Race. You should not overtake on this lap, unless a car in front is slowing down to pull off.

#### All Races are set by Qualifying Times:

- Races 3 & 6 by Fastest time in Qualifying,
- ➤ Races 10 &13 by 2<sup>nd</sup> Fastest time in Qualifying and
- Races 16 & 19 by 3<sup>rd</sup> Fastest time in Qualifying

Races 1 and 2 for each Class are of 20 Minute Duration and 3<sup>rd</sup> Race is 25 Minute Duration. A difference to 2022, is that the Sigmax/Sigma 150 Grid will be a combined grid, not a split grid, as at Brands Hatch.

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 right after the exit of Murrays. The speed limit in the Pitlane is <u>60 kph</u>. When exiting the pits the lights are on your Left 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 Snetterton the Start Lights are above the circuit on the gantry. 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.

Starting Grid will be a 2 x2 formation

False Starts are deemed as:

- Moving before the Red Light goes out.
- Out of grid box markings i.e. In front of or to the side of it

The Penalty is a 10 second race time penalty, notified from Startline during Race.

#### **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 at Turn 3 (Palmer) and into Parc Ferme, which is situated at the Scrutineering Bay.

# **QUALIFYING/RACE STOPS**

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.

#### **DRIVING STANDARDS**

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

Do not flaunt the track limit regulations. At Snetterton 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:

These will be at

Turn 1 – Exit of Riches

Turn 2 – Exit of Palmer

Turn 3 – Exit of Hamilton

During Qualifying if you are reported to have breached track limits you will have that lap time disallowed

#### Race penalties

1st 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 can be deployed as per Championship Regulations, please ensure you have read and understand the procedure.

The Safety Car will join the circuit from the pitlane exit, and 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 Snetterton we have the facility for Live Snatch, which would be covered by Double waved Yellows, but if considered unsafe we will do Snatching of vehicles under the Safety Car.

# **CONTROL FLAGS / LIGHTS**

These flags / Lights (Black, Black & White etc.) are shown from the Pit Wall and over circuit display board at the control line on drivers **RIGHT** and, where possible, will be repeated on TSL Timing Screen. *Light Panel Lights and meanings poster on display*.

#### **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, at Brands Hatch there were a number of cards being too full, or cameras just not being switched on, so please clear down your cards prior to Qualifying. There are Mandatory Championship fines for not being able to supply footage.

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.

### **PROTESTS AND APPEALS**

If you need to make a Protest or Appeal, these should be made electronically and sent to the Senior Clerk and Race Secretary, details can be found in the Final Instructions.

If I or any other Clerk of the Course holds a formal inquiry into an incident and subsequently issues a formal decision to a competitor, a verbal decision will be issued followed by a document sent to the competitor by email. The timing of the decision will be when it is given verbally, and this will be the time recorded on the decision. This will also be the time that the appeal period, where applicable begins.

#### OTHER GENERAL INFORMATION

If you require your upgrade cards signed, please ensure that you hand them in to the Secretary of the Meeting, ensuring that a photo is attached and it is signed.

Please acknowledge the marshals on the slowing down laps.

This meeting is also being streamed live on both the <u>BARC YouTube Channel</u> and <u>BARC Facebook page</u> so always take the opportunity of interviews if asked.

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"

For those entered or hoping to enter Spa, could you please complete a Clerk of Course Data Sheet, which I require to have on my possession in Race Control at Spa, and return them by the end of the weekend please.

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