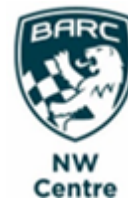




BRITISH AUTOMOBILE RACING CLUB - NORTH WESTERN CENTRE
OULTON PARK (INTERNATIONAL) CIRCUIT
SATURDAY 8TH JULY 2023
BRIEFING NOTES



Welcome to Oulton Park for the third BARC NW meeting of 2023. On behalf of BARC NW I would like to take this opportunity to thank you for your support with this weekend's meeting. Please could you also pass on my thanks and all your Flag and Incident Marshals.

Please listen to the radio at all times and keep your messages brief and to the point when transmitting. Priority should always be given to Post Chiefs who may be reporting incidents of a more serious nature.

Reports

Track Limit Reporting—Running Wide – Practice, Qualifying & Racing

The three corners at Oulton Park where a competitor is considered by the Clerk of the Course to be gaining a time advantage by running off the circuit are Old Hall, Cascades/Lakeside & Lodge/Deer Leap.

- 1. Old Hall, Cascades/Lakeside & Lodge/Deer Leap Post Chiefs are not to report any instances of track limits. These posts will be covered by the circuit camera system.**
- 2. In the event of the camera system failing the Post Chiefs at Old Hall, Cascades/Lakeside & Lodge/Deer Leap will be nominated as Judges of Fact and will be notified that they should start reporting track limits.**
- 3. In the event of the cameras failing track limit transgressions at Old Hall Cascades/Lakeside & Lodge/Deer Leap should not be reported in the following situations:**
 - The first lap of a race.
 - The first lap following a Safety Car intervention.
- 4. At all other posts cars leaving the circuit by putting two wheels or more beyond the white lines and/or the kerbing should be reported as *"Car (number) ran wide and continued"***
- 5. If mitigating circumstances exist for both track limits and running wide or any other example of cars running off circuit they must be reported. E.g.:**
 - A car appears to be out of control.
 - A car is avoiding an incident.
 - A car is forced off the circuit.

Knickerbrook and Brittens Chicane

Cars missing or cutting the chicane should be reported to Race Control as soon as possible. Please also report if the car re-joined the circuit in an unsafe manner.

During Practice/Qualifying whether the car did/did not gain an advantage will be judged by the timekeepers at the time that they receive the report from the Post Chief.

During Racing please report to Race Control if a competitor has gained a position advantage as a result of missing/cutting the chicane.

Contact

Every instance of contact between cars and with barriers/tyre walls should be reported via the Post Chief radio system and followed up with a written report. There is no exception to this procedure.

Flags and Lights

Both flags and lights will be used in conjunction for this meeting. The circuit light system will be operated by the individual Flag Marshals with the exception of a Safety Car deployment and a red flag situation where the lights will be operated by Race Control. If the Flag Marshal requires to deploy more than one colour, the lights should be the colour of highest priority.

Flag Marshal Locations

These locations offer the best available protection to comply with insurance requirements and offer the best line of sight as agreed by the Chief Flag Marshal & the Chief Observer.

If there is any doubt about where the Flag Marshals should stand, please contact Race Control who will advise accordingly.

On behalf of the Chief Flag Marshal - can we please remind all Flag Marshals the procedure regarding the deployment of the Safety Car board and flags/lights. Likewise, the deployment of a green flag/light after a Safety Car period. In each circumstance the flags/lights should flow in both directions around the circuit from the startline.

Hazard Board

It is very important that the Post Chief contacts Race Control when the Hazard Board is displayed on post. Please do not forget as this action must be recorded in the race log.

Course Car Procedures

The Course Car may not circulate after each session to collect reports. Therefore, if you need to speak to the Chief Observer about an urgent issue you will need to request this with Race Control. Any additional information can be forwarded to the Operations Clerk via email. opsclerkbarcnw@outlook.com

Car Recoveries – Tyre Wall Rebuilds

Please ask your marshals to prepare cars and drivers for quick recovery. **Cascades, Brittens & Knickerbrook Post Chiefs** please liaise with your marshals to move the marker blocks to allow recovery and other service vehicles quicker passage. Tyre wall and barrier damage should be reported as soon as possible with the relevant information to assist the Oulton Park staff (OP6) in preparing for repairs. If the JCB is required to realign barriers or move large tyre bundles please let Race Control know as soon as possible.

Circuit Access – Practice/Qualifying

All Championships will form up in the assembly area prior to their session and be released to pit lane as instructed by the marshals.

Please note- The 2CV Championship will have two 15mins Qualifying sessions with a 10mins turnaround time between the sessions.

Race Start Procedures

All races will leave from the assembly area in grid order behind the Safety Car and proceed to the grid via the Fosters loop. They will then form up on the grid and undertake a **(full circuit)** green flag lap prior to the start.

Race Start- All races will be a standing start. When the cars have completed the green flag lap they will form back up on the grid. The green flag will be shown at the back of the grid, followed by the five second board. The lights will then go on and off to signal the start of the race.

Please listen to your radio throughout the day for any amendments to these procedures.

For all Practice, Qualifying and Races cars will take the chequered flag, complete one full lap and exit the circuit via Parc Ferme as directed by marshals.

Safety Car

The Safety Car is available for all races only.

Thank you for your assistance with running today's meeting. I hope you have an enjoyable days marshalling and I look forward to welcoming you back throughout 2023.

Tom Bee

Deputy Clerk of Course - BARC NW