

**Event: BARC Race Meeting**

**Categories: OT Publishing Coupe Cup with Toyo Tyres and Kumho BMW Championship**

**Date & Venue: Silverstone National, 16<sup>th</sup> and 17<sup>th</sup> September 2023**

**Subject: DRIVERS BRIEFING NOTES: via email to all registered Drivers V2 **Changes as noted****

**Senior Clerk of the Course: Ian Watson**

**Races Clerk of the Course: Trevor Williams**

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**1. CIRCUIT INFORMATION**

- 1.1. Lap length: 2.640 km, (1.604 miles), Clockwise
- 1.2. Assembly Area Adjacent to BRDC Suites and Medical Centre
- 1.3. Start line and Finish line: Located on National Pits Straight, Offset is approximately 135 metres. The finish line is closer to the final corner.
- 1.4. Pole position: On the **left**
- 1.5. Speed limit in pit lane: 60 kph – Please check where the speed limit starts and ends in the pit lane.
- 1.6. SC end of formation lap: Pit Exit
- 1.7. SC Standby position: Pit Exit
- 1.8. When exiting the pits, drivers **MUST** be aware of competitors on the track. Please do not cross the blend line
- 1.9. Start lights are on the gantry in the middle of the track
- 1.10. Warning flags will be shown at the Control Line
- 1.11. Official Noticeboard: [https://www.barc.net/online\\_noticeboard/2023-silverstone-september-16-17/](https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/2023-silverstone-september-16-17/)

**2. TIME SCHEDULE (Times are from timetable issue v2 (06.08.23) and may be subject to change)**

- 2.1. TIMES ARE GREEN FLAG TIMES – Make sure you are in Assembly Area in good time. We will not wait for late arrivals

**3. QUALIFYING**

- 3.1. You will access the circuit from the Assembly Area at the specified time. Follow the directions of the marshals at all times.
- 3.2. If you wish to travel slowly on the circuit to get a clear lap, this **MUST** be done without hindering another competitor in any way whatsoever. Please make use of your mirrors.
- 3.3. Weaving using more than 50% of the track to heat tyres is not permitted.
- 3.4. Track Limits will be enforced. If you set a fast lap time whilst exceeding track limits, the relevant lap time, and possibly the one after the infringement, may be removed.
- 3.5. At the end of the session, competitors will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at reduced speed, exit the circuit via the pit lane, following the directions of the marshals and without stopping enter into Parc Fermé.

**4. START PROCEDURE**

- 4.1. All cars will be released from the Assembly Area onto the Grid.
- 4.2. Countdown will be as Championship Regulations. Should the start be delayed, the Countdown will resume from the 1 minute signal. All races are Standing Start.
- 4.3. If you are delayed leaving the grid on the Green Flag lap so that all other cars have passed you, or fall completely to the back of the train of cars on the Green Flag Lap, you must stay at the back of the grid. All other cars take their normal grid positions
- 4.4. Please note that cars out of position before the start signal may be penalised as per Regulations.

**5. FLAG / SAFETY CAR PROCEDURES**

- 5.1. Light Panels will supplement Flag Signals.
- 5.2. **RED FLAG / LIGHTS:**
  - 5.2.1. If in qualifying, return to the Pit Lane, follow the directions of the marshals at all times
  - 5.2.2. During races, return to the Grid, stopping short to enable formation of any revised grid. Follow the directions of the marshals at all times
- 5.3. **YELLOW FLAGS / LIGHTS**
  - 5.3.1. You are reminded that Yellow Flags are a warning of danger, slow down and be prepared to take avoiding action or stop. **If you are unsure of yellow flag regulations and procedures, please see the Clerk of the Course on Saturday Morning**
  - 5.3.2. **Single waved yellow in Qualifying It must be evident that a driver has reduced speed; this means a driver is expected to have braked earlier and/or noticeably reduced speed in that sector**

**5.3.3. Double Waved Yellow in Qualifying it must be evident that a driver has not attempted to set a meaningful lap time; this means the driver should abandon the lap (this does not mean he has to pit as the track could well be clear the following lap)**

**5.4. BLUE FLAGS / Lights**

5.4.1. These will normally be shown to a car that is about to be lapped. This car must give way at the earliest opportunity

**5.5. SAFETY CAR PROCEDURE – Refer to CR 38**

5.5.1. The Safety Car, if deployed, will enter the circuit from the pit lane exit which is on drivers **right after T1**. A Waved Yellow Flag and “SC” board will be displayed at the Control Line and light panels will display the SC symbol. All cars must reduce speed. The Safety Car will pick up the leader. All cars must remain within five car lengths of the car in front. There is NO Overtaking, unless signalled to by the Safety Car Observer, under a Safety Car intervention.

5.5.2. When the Safety Car is about to be withdrawn, the lights will be switched off approximately 2/3rds of the way around the circuit. It is then the leader’s responsibility to dictate the pace of traffic before the restart.

5.5.3. You are reminded of GR Section Q, App 3 Article 1.11 and CR 38.11, namely “In order to avoid the likelihood of accidents before the safety car returns to the pits from the point at which the lights on the car are extinguished Drivers must proceed at a pace which will not lead to the Safety Car being overtaken before it has entered the pit lane and involves no erratic acceleration or braking nor any other manoeuvre which is likely to either endanger other Drivers or impede the restart.”



**6. RACE FINISH**

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

6.2. At all times, follow the directions of the marshals.

**7. GENERAL NOTES**

**7.1. SOCIAL DISTANCING**

7.1.1. Please follow MSUK, BARC and Circuit guidance regarding COVID 19 Social Distancing and Hygiene at all times. Make sure you are aware of the MSUK and BARC Guidance.

**7.2. IN RACE PENALTIES**

7.2.1. Stop / Go & Drive through penalties MUST be taken within 3 laps, unless the Safety Car is on circuit.

**7.3. ACCIDENT / INCIDENT**

7.3.1. If you come to a stop on the circuit, or after an accident, if you are ok give a thumbs-up signal to the marshal, stay in your car until it is safe to get out, then get to a position of safety behind the barriers, maintaining social distancing at all times. Follow the directions of the marshals. If you are injured, do not attempt to leave your car on your own. Wait for the arrival of the doctor and if necessary, the extrication team.

7.3.2. Any recovery operations undertaken whilst the track is “live” will only be carried out under a Safety Car deployment – be aware of lights and flags

**8. MECHANICAL PROBLEMS**

8.1. If you have a mechanical problem, pull off in a safe location. Do not continue round the circuit with the risk of leaving oil or other fluids on the track. This will affect other races. If you are ok give a thumbs-up signal to the marshal, and when safe to do so, get out of the car and to a place of safety behind the barriers. If you receive MECHANICAL ASSISTANCE you cannot continue in the session.

**9. DRIVING CONDUCT**

9.1. **Track limits are monitored by appointed Judges of Fact. Track Limits will be monitored and enforced at T1 Exit**



- 9.2. All incidents reported by the marshals will be investigated.
- 9.3. If you are involved in an incident, DO NOT leave the circuit before checking with Clerk of the Course

#### **10. PROTESTS / APPEALS**

- 10.1. Electronic forms must be submitted to the Clerk of the Course and Secretary of the Meeting within the time limits stated in MSUK Regulations.
- 10.2. Clerk of the Course email – [twilliams.barc@gmail.com](mailto:twilliams.barc@gmail.com)
- 10.3. Secretary of the Meeting email – [ajoy.barc@gmail.com](mailto:ajoy.barc@gmail.com)

#### **11. GENERAL**

- 11.1. Observe the paddock speed limit at all times.
- 11.2. Please be aware of the noise curfew times.

#### **12. QUESTIONS**

- 12.1. Any clarifications or additional notes will be posted on the Official Noticeboard

#### **13. AOB**

- 13.1. Competitors in the OT Publishing Coupe Cup with Toyo Tyres race are reminded to read the Supplementary Regulations posted on the Official Noticeboard.

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