





# DRIVERS BRIEFING NOTES Oulton Park (International) – 14<sup>th</sup> October 2023

## **CIRCUIT INFORMATION**

Circuit Length	4.3324 km/2.6920 miles Clockwise
Pole Position	Right Hand Side
Assembly Area	Inside Old Hall
Parc Ferme	Right in Pit Lane before Garages
Pit Entry	Drivers Right after Lodge
Pit Exit	Drivers Left into Old Hall
Start Lights	Drivers Right on the gantry
Clerks Flags	On the Pit wall near Pole Position
Pitlane Speed	60 kph
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# SIGNING ON

Online prior to event.

### **SCRUTINEERING**

Scrutineering - Keith will be in the paddock to scrutineer cars on Friday afternoon. For those that do not get scrutineered on Friday, the times will be: 07:00 in Scrutineering Bay.

# ASSEMBLY AREA PROCEDURE ONTO CIRCUIT.

Please make sure you are in the assembly area at least 20 minutes before your session is due to start. Noise Testing may be carried out on entry to the Assembly Area.

Entry to the Circuit is onto the circuit at Old Hall

For **Qualifying**, you will be released from the Assembly Area onto the Circuit via the Pitlane.

For **Races** you will proceed from the assembly Area behind the Safety Car to the Grid, via the cut through at Fosters. Once all cars are in position you will receive the Countdown (! Minute, 30 Seconds) then a Green Flag. You will then do a complete Lap around to the Grid again and then once all set, you will receive a 5 Second Board, then the Red Lights will come on and <u>2-7 Seconds later</u> be switched off to signify the Start of the Race. You should not overtake on the Green Flag lap, unless a car in front is slowing down to pull off, and you should maintain a reasonable pace.

### All Races are set by Qualifying Times:

- Race 1 by Fastest time in Qualifying,
- Race 2 by 2<sup>nd</sup> Fastest time in Qualifying

If you have any problems on the grid, please try and wave your hand so the marshals can see you.

## **START GRIDS**

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 x 2 staggered 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 **<u>10 second race time penalty</u>**, notified from Startline during Race.

## LAST LAP BOARD

I will arrange for a last Lap board to 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, complete a whole lap and exit the circuit into the Pitlane and on into Parc Ferme.

### **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. Championships can still be won, and we have a lot of Guest drivers with us this weekend.

Do not flaunt the track limit regulations. Remember rules have changed since 1<sup>st</sup> June 2023, and it is any part of the contact point of any tyre crossing beyond white line or rear of kerbing. There are fixe sensors and cameras at Oulton, and if necessary we will appoint Judges of Fact at locations on the circuit. Just to remind you of the track limits penalties, these are what they will be:

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

#### **Race penalties**

1<sup>st</sup> 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)

The sensor positions are:

- Turn 1 Old Hall (Outside)
- Turn 2 Cascades (Outside)
- Turn 7 Lodge

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.

# 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

Oulton Park is not licenced for Live Snatch, so a Safety Car would be used to cover any required in race recovery.

# **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. 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.

All cards maybe be collected after Qualifying and / or each race, and if required to be viewed and will be returned to you prior to the next session.

## JUDICIAL PROCESS

The judicial rules and regulations are exactly as described within the Motorsport UK Yearbook except that everything will be undertaken electronically rather than producing pieces of paper.

Therefore, if you are involved in a judicial hearing a decision will be announced to you and then sent by emailed to your registered email address.

Protests and Appeals can be made in the usual way through either the Secretary of the Meeting or the Senior Clerk of the Course using the electronic form which is available from the Secretary (email addresses at foot of these notes)

# **RACE WITH RESPECT**

All Motorsport in the UK is run in accordance with Motorsport UK Race with Respect. Which encourages a positive & Safe Environment, On & Off the Track.

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These apply to all involved in the meeting, fellow drivers, officials, marshals and spectators.

## **OTHER INFORMATION**

If you require your upgrade card signed, please hand into Race Admin at the beginning of weekend or to me at the Briefing, making sure it has a photo affixed and is signed, these will be returned signed 30 mins after the results are declared, or posted out to you on the Monday.

Please acknowledge marshals at the end of each session, without them you would not be able to do this 3

A big thank you to you all for this year, and I hope you all have a great off season, and hope to see as many of you at the Caterham Graduates Racing Club Dinner and Awards night at Fairlawns on the 18<sup>th</sup> November 2023.

### Sessions scheduled on Circuit

Paid Practice	08:30 for 20 Minutes
Qualifying Sigma 135	09:25 for 20 Minutes
Qualifying Sgmax/Sigma 150	10:25 for 20 Minutes
Race 1 - Sigma 135	11:55 for 20 Minutes
Race 2 - Sigmax/Sigma 150	13:35 for 20 Minutes
Race 3 - Sigma 135	15:15 for 25 Minutes
Race 4 - Sigmax/Sigma 150	16:30 for 25 Minutes

Please ensure you are registered on the Drivers WhatsApp group to ensure you receive updates on Timings etc.

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