



Britcar Trophy Championship.

Driver Briefing Notes.

Donington Park (GP Circuit) 2.490 miles (4.003 km)

30 March 2024.

Welcome, my name is Andy Butler, I am your Permanent Clerk of the Course for this Championship.

1. Event on line notice board is at https://www.barc.net/online_noticeboard/2024-donington-park-gp-march-29-30/
2. You should all **sign on** in race administration at **07.30**. You need to take your race licence with you.
3. **Driver Briefing will** be at **08.00**, in garage 39 (rear of Café)
4. **Noise Testing**, you will be noise tested in front of your garage at 09.00. Push your cars into pit lane for 9.00, no race engines before 9.00.
5. **Circuit entry**, for all sessions you will enter the circuit from your garage.
 - 5.1 **Exiting the circuit.** For all sessions exit the circuit into the pit lane and go to Parc Ferme. Parc Ferme is at the far end of the pit lane on the left. You will be guided in by marshals, follow marshal's instructions.
6. **Qualifying.** Fastest lap in qualifying will determine the grid for race one. The driver setting the fastest lap time must start race one.
 - 6.1 No refuelling is allowed during this 20-minute session.
 - 6.2 All drivers must complete a minimum of 3 laps, in the vehicle to be raced, during the 20-minute free practice/qualifying session.
7. **Grid procedure**, the pit lane will open and cars will proceed to the grid. 3 minutes after the pit lane opens the pit lane will close, cars still in the pit lane after this time, will be a pit lane starter. The green flag lap will commence 7 minutes after the pit lane opens, any car not in its grid position at this time will remain at the rear of the grid or be a pit lane starter.
 - 7.1 Teams are allowed **one** team member per car on the grid, **only** to help/assist them to be in the correct grid position. Leave the grid as soon as your car is in position. Team members going onto the grid, please be at the gate 5 minutes before the pit lane is due to open.
 - 7.2 Approximately 30 minutes before the program time, a message on the official WhatsApp and timing screens will give the approximate time the pit lane will open for the race. Be ready 20 minutes before the program time as we can run 20 minutes early.
 - 7.3 Please note, once all cars are in position on the grid, a one-minute signal will be given for the start of the formation lap, even if this is before the seven minutes noted above.



8. Race Starts. All starts are a rolling start, the safety car will leave the grid and continue at a moderate pace until it exits Fogarty Esses, where it will begin to slow down. All cars should start to form up behind the safety car ready for the start. Exiting Melbourne Hairpin, the grid should be set and ready for the start. The safety car will exit into the pitlane. Cars should be in two rows, traversing across the grid boxes as per the grid sheet, following the car in front. Position and speed should be maintained until the start lights are extinguished. Failure to maintain position and speed may result in a false start penalty being issued.

8.1 Aborted Start, if the lights stay on, this will indicate an aborted start. Drivers will go round again following the same procedure as before but with no safety car, pole position will control the Grid. Be aware that if an aborted start happens, the race time starts when the pole position car crosses the line at the aborted start.

9. Safety Car will be used for the races only. When the lights/flags and S/C boards are displayed, all drivers will reduce their speed. Safety car will enter the circuit from the pitlane and will exit into the pitlane. Once the safety car extinguishes its lights, the lead driver will resume the role of safety car once again. There is to be no overtaking or overlapping of another car until you have passed the control/finish line. Safety car regulations are page 304/305 of the Blue Book.

9.1 When the safety car lights/flags and boards are displayed, drivers are required to slow down immediately, not when they meet the safety car.

9.2 The pitlane will remain open during safety car periods. No refuelling can take place during safety car periods.

10. Mandatory Pit Stop. It is your responsibility to know the pit stop regulations. The Britcar staff are allowed to answer your questions on pit stop regulations. They are also Judges of Fact for pit stops.

10.1 For your mandatory pit stops, the pit lane opens after 20 mins and closed 30 min after the race start.

10.2 The mandatory pit stop time is **133 seconds**. Pit stop time is taken from the pit in timing line to pit out timing line, beam to beam time is **23 seconds @ 40kph**. Pitlane speed limit is **40Kph**.

11. Track Limits. Judges of Fact will use the MSV camera system positioned at the exits of Redgate, Old Hairpin and McLeans. Judge of Fact at Fogarty Esses.

11.1 In qualifying you will have the lap time removed, if it's your quickest.

11.2 In the race the following penalties will be applied. First and second offence no action, third offence you will receive a Black and white warning flag. Every third offence after this you will receive a drive through penalty. Track limits are per car, not individual driver.

12. Live snatch is available at this circuit. Please obey light/flag signals.



13. Light Panels take priority and can be supplemented with flags at this circuit.

14. Timing. There will be no grid sheets or results produced on paper at the event and you are advised that these can be found on the TSL website at <https://www.tsl-timing.com> You should make sure that you are aware of your grid position before going to the grid.

15. Judicial/Camera cards. Please remember to deposit camera cards in the dedicated box in Parc fermé.

16. Protests/Appeals must be lodged electronically to me abutler.barc@gmail.com and the secretary of the meeting, Julie Hill at julie.hill@barc.net

17. Things to note.

Control/finish line is in front of race control, start line is approx 100m further up the track next to the start lights.

There is a digi-board on the gantry next to the start lights.

On the grid, only one person per car and no work to be done, the car should be ready when it leaves the pit lane.

This is a long lap, even so, seven minutes from when the pit lane opens are long enough to get to the grid. Anyone not on the grid at seven minutes will start from the rear of the grid.

The formation lap should be completed within four minutes, if it isn't, we reserve the right to start the race time at four minutes.

When lapping is being done, it is the responsibility of the driver doing the lapping to execute it safely.

Stop go penalty box is on the left near the pit exit.

Judicial's will take place as normal. Judicial paperwork will be emailed to the entrant /driver.

If you are requested to come and see me or want me to look at your camera footage, I will be in the clerk's office 1st floor of race control.

Pay attention to the official WhatsApp page, as this is where we will give you information during the weekend.

Thank you and have an enjoyable meeting.

Andy Butler Clerk of the Course (151194)