

Donington
10th August 2025

Subject: Driver's Briefing – OT Coupe cup

Event: BARC HQ17

Date & Venue: Donington 10th August 2025 09:00 Garage 39

Senior Clerk of the Course: Dorothy Uwota

Clerk of the Course: Martin Brinkworth

Welcome

On behalf of the BARC, welcome to Donington Park for what we will endeavour to make a very enjoyable race day for you. This briefing is in addition, not replacement of the Final Instructions, Supplementary regulations for the endurance race and can be further supplemented with a bulletin on the noticeboard during the weekend.

<https://www.barc.net/event/barc-race-meeting-donington-park-national-august-9-10/>

1. Circuit Information:

Lap Length: 2.4873 miles

Direction: Clockwise Pole Position: is on the right

Warning flags/signals: Will be shown at the Control Line

Pit lane speed limit: 60 km/h (38mph) – please be aware of where the speed limit starts and ends.

Safety Car Standby Position: Pit Lane Exit

2. Timetable V2 – subject to change

Qualifying 11:10 (15 minutes), Race 17:00 (45 minutes)

3. Qualifying

- Please refer to the Final Instructions. Please ensure that you get to the Assembly Area in good time before your qualifying session, so that you can be noise tested before going out onto the circuit.
- For qualifying you will be released from Assembly to the pit lane. You must not excessively weave more than 50% of the track
- At the end of all qualifying and races vehicles will take the chequered flag complete a slowing down lap enter the parc fermé area via pit lane under direction of the marshals.

4. Start Procedure

- For racing you will be directed from the assembly area on the loop onto the grid
- You will receive 1 minute & 30 second boards then Green Flag lap. During the Green Flag lap you must not overtake or excessively weave (more than 50% of the track).
- Once returned to the grid, there will be a 5 second board, red lights on then off and racing begins
- Should the start be delayed, the countdown will resume from the 1-minute signal
- Please note that cars out of position before the start signal may be penalised.
- If you fall to the back with every car passing you at the start of your green signal lap, then you must stay at the back of the grid for the race start
- The Start Lights are on the gantry positioned to the left of the start line. Be aware that other signals such as Race delayed may be shown from the Start line Gantry.

5. Yellow flags

- You are reminded that yellow signals are a warning of danger, slow down and be prepared to take avoiding action or stop

6. Red Flag

- In the event of a Red Flag in Qualifying, slow down and return to the Pit Lane. Should a Red Flag be shown during a Race, return to the Grid, stopping short of the rear of the Grid **in single file** and await marshal instructions.

7. Safety Car

- The Safety Car will be deployed as per Championship Regulations & NCRs, please ensure you have read and understand the procedure. The pack **MUST** make every effort to safely close up to the train in front.
- The Safety Car will enter the circuit from the pit lane exit, when we are ready to withdraw the Safety Car, we will aim to turn the lights out between turns 7 & 8.
- Please remember that once a race is resumed after a Safety Car period, you are not allowed to overtake another car until you have passed the Control (Timing) Line

8. Control Flags

- Light signals will take priority and may be supplemented with flags. Drivers must comply with the requirements of the signals
- These flags (Black, Black & White, Black & Orange, etc) are shown from the Pit Wall at the control line on drivers left, messages will also be displayed on the Digital Timing Screens on the start gantry.

9. Race finish and PARC FERMÉ

- All cars that are able will take the Chequered Flag signal and reduce speed
- Remember that until you are released from Parc Fermé, the following applies:
- No work on the car may take place of any kind, including reviewing camera footage;
- No team personnel, except the driver, may enter the area.

10. In Race Penalties

- Track Limit Cameras and sensors are installed at various turns around the circuit. Instances of drivers exceeding track limits may also be reported by appointed Judges of Fact. Please note, these are different for endurance racing to those stated in the Final instructions. The Online noticeboard has supplementary regulations for this event covering the mandatory pitstops and penalties. Please ensure that you are familiar with these.

11. Circuit behaviour

- Any driver entering a gravel trap and then rejoining must avoid bringing gravel onto the racing line.
- Please remember this is a none contact sport, don't go for a gap from too far back that is always going to close, respect your fellow racer and give them racing room, don't make lunges or crowd cars off the track.
- If you have an issue with the car, try and pull over to the barrier, thumbs up to the marshals if you are ok, out of the car and behind the barriers as soon as possible
- Donington Park is licensed for live recovery circuit wide. BE AWARE OF THE LIGHT SIGNALS
- If you receive mechanical assistance, you WILL NOT be able to rejoin the session
- If you are involved in an incident, DO NOT leave the circuit before checking with the Clerk of the Course

12. Protests & Appeals

- Protests and Appeals must be submitted electronically in accordance with the NCR, please be aware of the relevant time limits
- Electronic Forms are available from the Clerk of the Course or Secretary of the Meeting and you are advised to use a windows-based PC or laptop to complete these
- Electronic forms must be submitted to the Clerk of the Course and Secretary of the Meeting within the time limits stated in the NCR via the emails below or on a USB drive, SD Card or other removable storage device Secretary of the Meeting email – ncummins.barc@gmail.com

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Have a great time and enjoy your racing!



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