



**Track Action** 

**Event: Donington Park National** 

Date: 9<sup>th</sup> / 10<sup>th</sup> August Drivers Briefing

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To be read in conjunction with the Official Documents of the event.

On behalf of the BARC, welcome to Donington Park.

My name is Kieron Salmons, and I am your Clerk of the Course for today.

This briefing assumes you have read the Final and Supplementary Instructions – it does not replace them. If you need to access them, they are published on the BARC Event Information page for the meeting via this link: -

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

This page also includes Timing, Timetable, and the Online Noticeboard links. The Noticeboard displays Briefing Notes, Bulletins, Published Results and Judicial Decisions.

#### 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

Drive slowly and in a controlled manner whilst in the paddock, at all times.

#### 2. Time Schedule:

- Timetable issue V2 is in use but may be subject to change
- All times shown are Green Flag lap times

### 3. Qualifying

 You will be released from the Assembly Area, you must then enter the pit lane prior to your session starting, when your session is starting you will then be released from the pit lane





- You must be noise tested prior to your qualifying session; this will be done on your entry to the assembly area
- 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
- Weaving more than 50% of the track to heat the tyres is not permitted
- Track limits will be monitored by Judges of Fact, if you set a fast lap time whilst exceeding track limits, the relevant lap time may be removed
- At the end of the session, competitors who are on the track will take the chequered flag, proceed around the circuit at a reduced speed and enter pit lane following the directions of the marshals and without stopping enter Parc Fermé which is near the pit lane exit on the left-hand side.
- Please ensure you get your 3 laps in during the qualifying session, if you don't, please come and see me.

#### 4. Start Procedure

- All starts are standing starts
- All cars will be released from the Assembly Area directly onto the grid, marshals will be there to position you.
- The countdown will be as per the championship regulations (2 min/ 1 min / 30 secs)
- You will then start your green signal lap, please ensure you get around the circuit at a good but safe speed to ensure that you do not take up to much time, we may start your race time if your green flag lap takes longer than 3 minutes.
- 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

# 5. Light Panels / Safety Car Procedures

• Light panels will replace Flag Signals are the primary method of conveying signals to drivers as per NCR.

## 5.1. Red Signals

- If in qualifying, if the red signal is shown, return to the pit lane, always following the directions of marshals.
- During races, if the red signal is shown, return to the grid, stopping short to enable formation of any revised grid, following the directions of marshals at all times.

## 5.2. Yellow Signals

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





- Single waved yellow during Qualifying: It must be evident that a driver has reduced speed; this means a driver is expected to have braked earlier and/or noticeable reduced their speed in that sector
- 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 that lap (this does not mean the driver has to pit as the track could well be clear the following lap)

### 5.3 Blue Signals

• These will normally be shown to a car that is clearly slower in qualifying or about to be lapped during racing. This car must give way at the earliest opportunity

### **5.4 Safety Car Procedure**

- The Safety Car will be used in racing only in accordance with the NCR
- Remind yourselves of the Safety Car Procedures and their implementation
- 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 off between turns 7 & 8.

## 6. Session Finish

- All cars that are able will take the Chequered Flag signal and reduce speed
- Cars will enter the Pit Lane proceeding directly to Parc Fermé
- Drivers are reminded that they are under Parc Fermé conditions from the moment of taking the Chequered Flag

## 7. General Notes

#### 7.1 In Race Penalties

• Stop / Go & Drive Through penalties must be taken within 3 laps, unless the Safety Car is on circuit, please be aware of flags at the control line but also the overhead digital board.

## 7.2 Accident / Incident

- If you come to a stop on the circuit, or after an accident, if you are ok, please give the marshals a thumbs up signal, stay in the car until it's safe to get out, then get to a position of safety behind the barriers. Following 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.
- 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.





#### 8. Mechanical Problems

- If you have a mechanical problem, pull off in a safe location. Do not continue around the circuit 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 marshals and when safe to do so, get out of the car and into a place of safety behind the barriers. If you receive mechanical assistance you cannot continue in the sessions

## 9. Driving Conduct

- Track limits are monitored by appointed Judges of Fact using Track Limit sensors
- All incidents reported by officials will be investigated
- If you are involved in an incident, DO NOT leave the circuit before checking with the Clerk of the Course.

#### 10. 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 of 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

#### 11. Questions

• Any clarifications or additional notes will be posted on the Official Noticeboard

#### 12. AOB

• At the end of each race, it would be appreciated if you would take time to wave to the marshals.

I wish you an enjoyable day's racing, I will be based near Race Control, if you have any questions, please feel free to come and see me.