



Driver Briefing Notes
Motorsport Australia NSW Motor Race Championship
Round 3 May 22nd & May 23rd 2021

Secretary of the Meeting: Ruth Walsh
Chief Steward: Dennis Willis
Clerk of Course: Nick Goring
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1. These notes must be read in conjunction with the NCRs, Category Championship Regulations, Supplementary & Further Regulations and the Return To Race Document that have been issued for this meeting. This meeting is conducted under MA OH&S policy see the notice board or MA website for a copy of this policy.
2. The weekend schedule is busy and all competitors are reminded that the onus is on them to present themselves to the marshalling area/pit lane. Listen for and respond promptly to PA Calls.
3. **Please adhere to all Covid-19 rules and regulations. Covid-19 checker will present himself to you or your garage at any time throughout the event.**
4. The start procedure for all races will be:
 - a) The start procedure shall be as per race meeting standing regulations. **The one-minute board will be shown in the marshalling area.**
 - b) There will be one warm up lap from the marshalling area to the grid and form up in your allocated position.
 - c) Practice starts are **ONLY permitted when the rear of the car is passed the white line** at Pit Exit.
 - d) Passing is only permitted to maintain grid position.
 - e) Any car that encounters a problem during the warm up lap, is late leaving the marshalling area, unable to keep up or is unable to take its place on the grid. Must start rear or grid or can be driven into pit lane instead of proceeding to the grid. The car may then start from pit exit, but only at the direction of an official.
 - f) **Cars must not weave as they come onto the grid – From the exit of Turn 10.**
 - g) **Standing Starts:** When the starter is satisfied with the grid, they will indicate 5 seconds and the standard light start will apply. **You must be on the grid or in pit lane at the 5 second signals to come under starter's orders.** The position of the front wheels in relation to the grid line will be a determining factor in respect to a false start – Cars must be stationary with the front wheels on or behind the grid line at the time of the start signal (Extinguishing of the red light).
 - h) **Rolling starts:** Safety car will lead out the field from Pit Exit and proceed on a warm up lap to set the pace. Once the safety car reaches T9, the Safety car will accelerate away from the field with lights off. All competitors must start forming up 2 x 2 configuration between T9 & T10. On the exit of Turn 10 a 2 x 2 grid configuration must apply. The field shall proceed on, led by the automobiles in pole positions that must maintain speed no more than 80km/h. Each automobile must maintain its speed and position, with no overtaking or overlapping permitted, and remain directly in line behind the automobile in front until after the signal to start is given. The red light will be extinguished if the Starter deems the field in correct configuration. **ONCE THE RED LIGHT IS OFF DRIVERS ARE TO COMMENCE RACING.**
5. Race finish: The chequered flag will be shown at the Start/Finish line.

6. Should a red flag or lights be required during Practice or Qualifying, unless directed otherwise – reduce speed and return to Pit Lane with caution.
7. Should a **race** be stopped by use of Red Flag or lights, all cars are to stop racing and proceed with caution into Pit Lane where they will line up and await instructions. Cars are not to proceed onto the Grid until they are instructed to do so by an official. Any race restarts required after a red flag or lights will be conducted, as appropriate, in accordance with the NCRs.
8. **Safety Car will be used for all races** – please be aware no overtaking or overlapping till after crossing the control line on safety car restarts.
9. Observe the flag & light signals shown from the Flag points around the circuit – particularly for the yellow & red lights/flags, where you must decrease speed and not overtake other competitors. In particular the signals from the starter/finish line, where the clerk of course flags are displayed.
- 10. PIT LANE**
 - a) Competitors please note you are responsible for the actions of your crew.
 - b) Smoking is not permitted in the pits at any time during the meeting, furthermore NSW Health regulations BAN smoking in all sporting grounds in NSW.
 - c) Any person entering the pits must be attired in accordance with MA Manual of Motor Sport.
 - d) No person under the age of 16yrs will be permitted in pit lane.
 - e) A speed limit of **40km/h** will apply in pit lane at all times. If this limit is exceeded during the meeting, the Clerk of Course may apply a penalty in accordance with the 2021 RACE MEETING STANDING REGULATIONS and the driver may be referred to the Stewards of the Meeting.
 - f) During the start of the warm-up lap and the first lap of the race, only race officials are permitted at the signalling wall.
11. No Reverse direction allowed on the circuit unless directed to do so by an official.
- 12. Competitors are reminded that driving over the curbs and bringing dirt onto the circuit may result in a drive through penalty. The bad sportsmanship flag may be used as a warning.**
13. If you break down on the circuit – after finding a safe position off the circuit for your car – if it is safe to do so, leave the vehicle and retired to a safe position. Do not attempt to fix the vehicle. Please be mindful that there can be snakes in the tyre walls located on the circuit.
 - a) If the safest position is in the car – please remain wearing all safety equipment and stay strapped in the car.
 - b) In all situation's, please indicate to the closest flag point or official that you are OK- with a thumbs up.**
- 14. Penalties may be imposed for:**
 - a) Failing to obey the direction of an official
 - b) Failing to comply with Appendix H (NB - Flags and lights take equal precedence.)
 - c) Breaches of the Code of Driving Conduct
 - d) Breaches of the Championship Sporting Regulations
 - e) Breaches of any specific instruction issued by the Clerk of Course
15. Any breach of rules or inappropriate driving will be handled under the MA Infringement Notice process. MA are committed to providing a structured safe and healthy environment for all competitors, officials and spectators. MA strive to minimize the risk to the health and safety of those involved in events sanctioned by them. However, it is the responsibility of everyone involved to ensure a duty of care is maintained. All stakeholders are required to comply with all MA Safety Policies & COVID-19 Policies. Anyone with any issues should speak to me, the Event Secretary or the Stewards.
- 16. If you require a licence signature – please hand your logbook into the Secretary of the Meeting this morning.**

Have an enjoyable & safe weekend.

Nick Goring
Clerk of the Course

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Deputy Clerk of Course