



British Endurance Championship.

Driver Briefing Notes.

Oulton Park 6 July 2024.

International Circuit 2.69 miles (4.33kms)

- **1.** Welcome, my name is Andy Butler, I am your Championship Clerk of the Course for this season.
- **1.1** The notice board is online at: https://www.barc.net/online noticeboard/2024-oulton-park-international-july-6/
- **1.2** Please read BARC's Standing Regulations 2024 v1, Health and safety Guidance Notes 2024. Latest versions are available on BARC's website.
- **2. Sign on** should be done online before the meeting.
- **3. Driver Briefing** is at **7.45** in the BEC race center.
- **4. Noise Testing**, you will be required to position your vehicles in front of your garage so noise testing can begin at **09.45**.
- **5. Circuit entry,** for all sessions you will enter the circuit from your garage. Please consider that the session before will be using the pitlane.
- **5.1 Exiting the circuit.** For all sessions. After taking the chequered flag do a complete lap and exit the circuit into Parc Ferme, on the right as you enter the pit lane.
- **5.2** After both qualifying and the race, all cars to Parc Ferme.
- 5.3 All cars from all sessions will go into Parc fermé conditions at the showing of the Chequered Flag.
- **5.4** On the slowing down lap, please keep a reasonable pace up so as to clear the circuit as soon as possible.

6. Qualifying.

There will be a 30-minute free practice session before qualifying begins. After this session the 10 min qualifying session will begin immediately, the chequered flag will be waved at the control/timing line to signal the end of free practice and the start of qualifying.

- **6.1** No refuelling is allowed during this 40-minute session.
- **6.2** All drivers must complete a minimum of 3 laps, in the vehicle to be raced, during this 40 min practice/qualifying session.
- **6.3** The driver who sets the qualifying time must start the race and no Pro driver may take part in the 10 min 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. Once all cars are in position on the grid, the grid will open for a 10-minute grid walk. There will be a 1-minute countdown to the formation laps, this is the signal to clear the grid. There will be 2 formation laps and the race clock will start when the lead car crosses the timing line for the start of the second formation lap. Cars in the pit lane will be allowed to join the formation laps, but must remain at the rear of the grid.
- **7.1** One team member per car must be at the gate 5 minutes before the pit lane is due to open. This team member is only to help/assist them to be in the correct grid position. Once all cars are in position, other team members are allowed onto the grid.
- **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.
- **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 Knickerbrook on the second formation lap, where it will begin to slow down. all cars should start to form up behind the safety car ready for the start. Exiting Druids, 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.
- **9. Safety Car** will be used for the races only. When the yellow lights/flags and S/C boards are displayed, all drivers will reduce their speed immediately. 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 go out, 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. (CR 2.11.9)
- **10. Mandatory Pit Stop.** It is your responsibility to know the pit stop regulations. The BEC staff are allowed to answer your questions on pit stop regulations. They are also Judges of Fact for pit stops.





- **10.1** For your two mandatory pit stops, the pit lane opens after 20 mins and closed 100 min after the race start.
- **10.2** Minimum pitstop time is **127 second**, taken from the pit in timing line to pit out timing line, beam to beam time is **17.8 seconds** at 40Kph. Pitlane speed limit is **40Kph**.
- **10.3** When exiting the pitlane please take extra care when rejoining the circuit. Do not cross the white blend line on exit.
- **11. Track Limits,** being an MSV circuit the track limit sensors will be used. These are on the exits of Old Hall, Cascades and Lodge corners.
- **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 unavailable at this circuit; the safety car has to be used to remove a car in a dangerous position. Please pay attention to light and flag signals.
- **13. Light Panels** will 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: 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.
- **15.1** 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.
- **16. Protests/Appeals** must be lodged electronically to me <u>abutler.barc@gmail.com</u> and the secretary of the meeting, Phil Hosker at <u>phil.hosker@barc.net</u>
- 17. Things to note.
- **17.1** Start line and Control/finish line are the same and are in front of race control.
- 17.2 The start is a two-by-two formation rolling start with the pole on the right-hand side.
- **17.3** If the old circuit is used at Knickerbrook, you must rejoin the circuit safely without gaining an advantage.
- **17.4** When lapping is being done, it is the responsibility of the driver doing the lapping to execute it safely.
- 17.5 Stop go penalty box is on the right under race control as you enter the pitlane.
- **17.6** Judicial's will take place as normal. Judicial paperwork will be emailed to the entrant/driver.





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

17.8 The timetable is very tight, so we the organisers will do everything we can to save time, we ask you to do the same. On the slowing down lap, please keep a reasonable pace so as to clear the circuit as soon as possible.

Thank you and have an enjoyable meeting.

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