



**DRIVERS BRIEFING BTRC & ITP
CONVOY IN THE PARK
DONINGTON PARK 10TH/11TH AUGUST 2024**



WELCOME TO DONINGTON PARK 2024

Events: British Truck Racing Championship, Event 4 Rounds 16 to 20 & International Truck Prix Event

**Officials: Senior Clerk of Course for Event; Dorothy Uwota
BTRC Clerk of the Course for this event; Chris Norman
Deputy Clerk of the Course; David Cartwright
Stewards Panel; Eric Cowcill (Motorsport UK)
Fred Myerscough, Brian Hemmings**

**Relevant Regulations: BTRC 2024 Championship Regulations & 2024 Seasonal Briefing Notes
International Truck Prix Supplementary Regulations
BARC Standing Regulations 2024 v1 & Health & Safety Guidance (March 2024)
Final Instructions for this Event v2
Motorsport UK General Regulations 2024**

It is your responsibility to have read and to comply with the Regulations applicable to your elements of the Event.



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VENUE MAP

Donington Park National Circuit
Length: 1.98 miles

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- OFF-TRACK ENTERTAINMENT
- TRUCK DISPLAYS
- SPECTATOR EXCLUSION ZONE - TRUCK SESSIONS TO BE CLOSED 20 MINS PRIOR TO EVERY LIVE TRUCK SESSION
- MANUFACTURERS
- TRADE STALLS
- SPECTATOR EXCLUSION ZONE - AREA CLOSED TO SPECTATORS ALL WEEKEND



STRICTLY NO DOGS



MAP KEY Not all facilities are available at every event

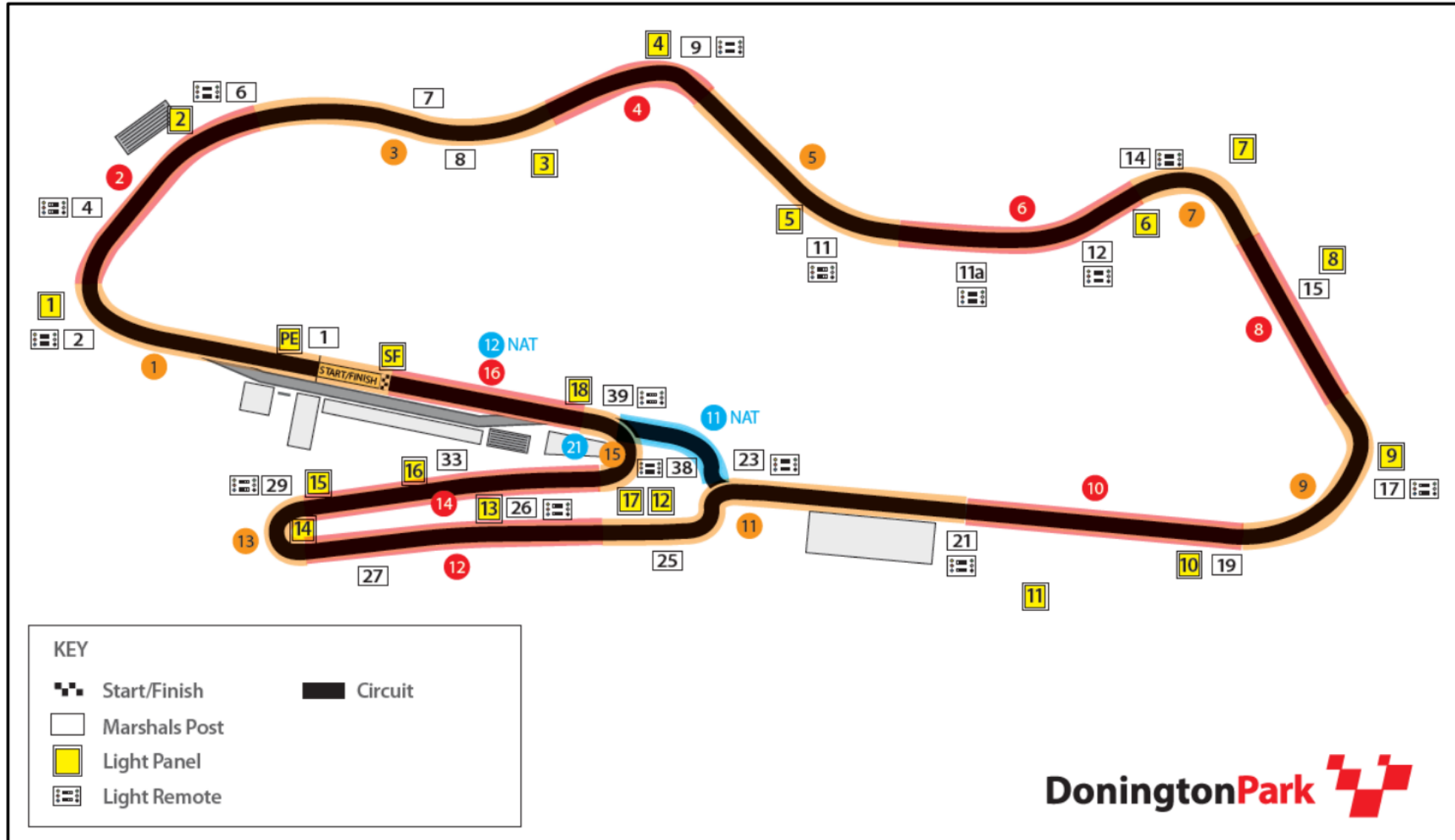
Parking	Helicopter Pad	Circuit Office	Redgate Hospitality Suites
Disabled Parking	Pedestrian Tunnel	Ticket Sales	Goddards Hospitality
Toilets	Vehicle Tunnel	Garage 39 Restaurant & Bar	Megastore
Disabled Toilets	First Aid	Medical Centre	Superbike Factory
Baby Changing	Grandstand	Pit Garages	Launch Pad
Refreshments			

VIEWING KEY

Hollywood Grandstand
Hospitality



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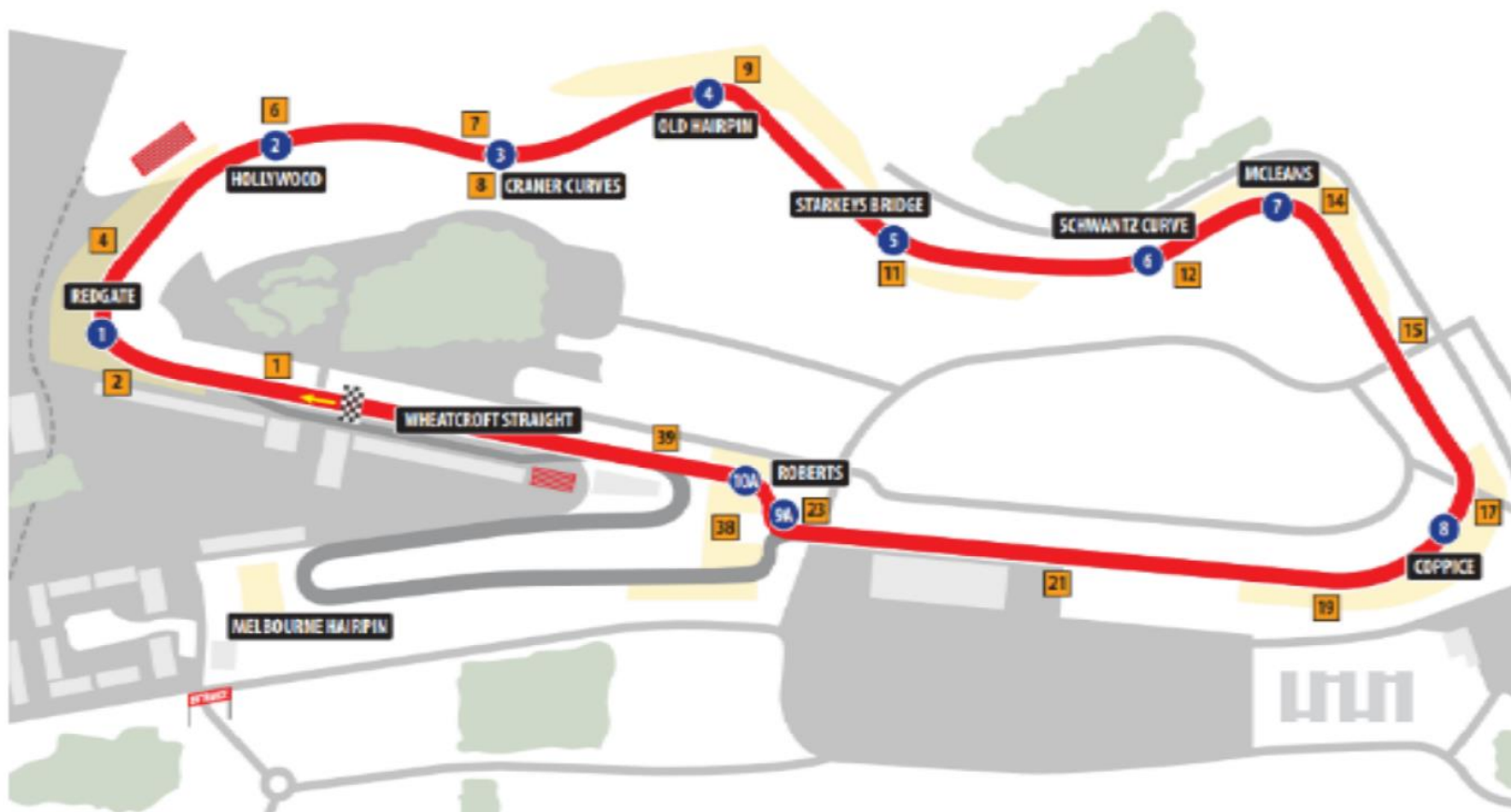


DONINGTON PARK CIRCUIT

NATIONAL CIRCUIT



DoningtonPark





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DONINGTON PARK NATIONAL CIRCUIT INFORMATION

Lap length: 1.98 Miles / 3.184 Kilometres

Start & Finish (Control) Lines: See picture right
Opposite Race Control
Start Line 61m ahead of Finish (Control) Line

Pole Position: Right

Start Lights: on Left over track

Chequered Flag, Penalties & Warning Signals:
On left at Finish(Control) Line





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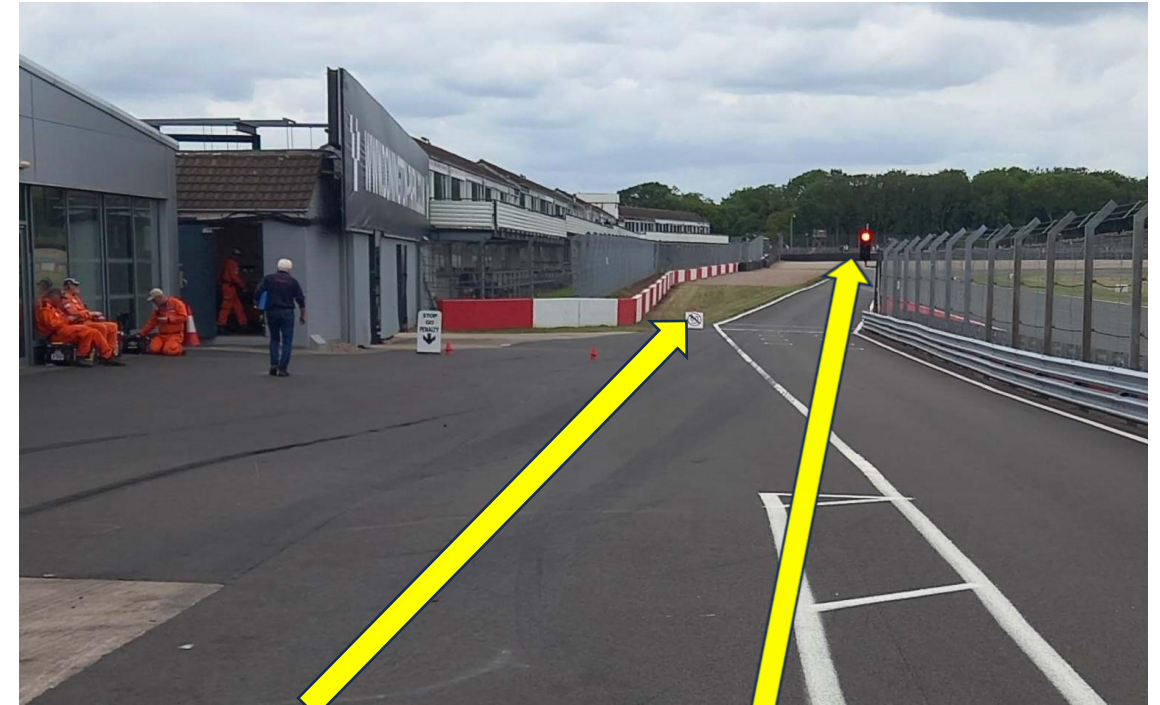
PIT ENTRY – keep left after Turn 10A



**START OF PIT LANE SPEED LIMIT –
Max speed 60 km/h (37 mph)**



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- PIT EXIT – CARE! - Onto racing line**
- Priority for vehicles on track
 - Respect Pit Exit light signals

**End of Pit
Speed Limit**

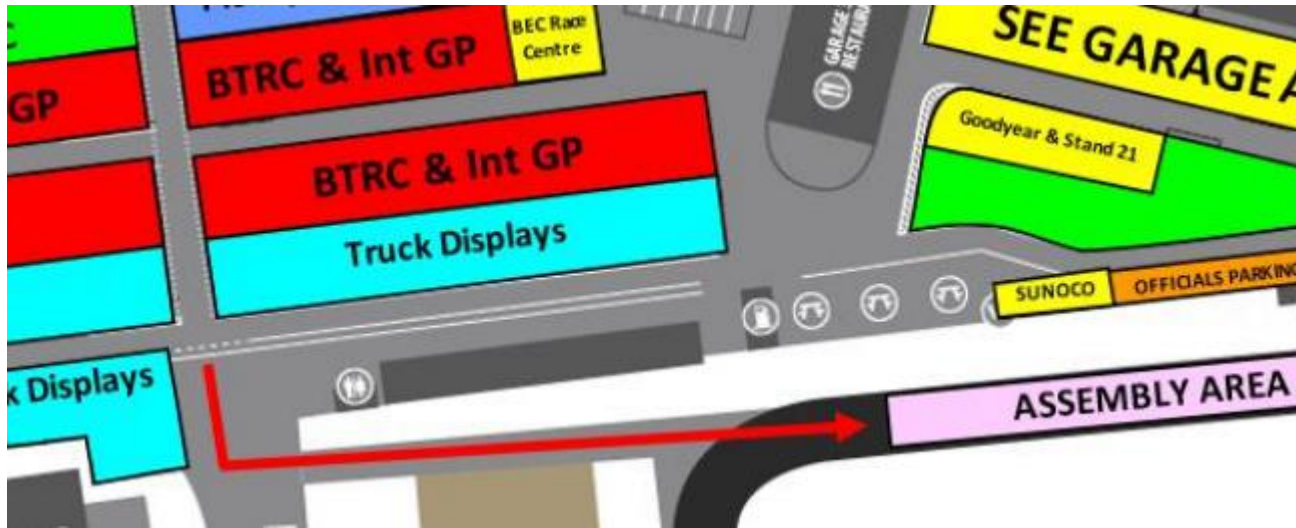
Pit Exit Lights



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ROUTE ONTO TRACK



IMPORTANT NOTE:

On the grounds of safety all Trucks will be walked in Championship order (BTRC) or as directed (ITP) from their Paddock to the Assembly Area

- Assembly Area will be on the Melbourne Loop and under the control of marshals
- A 2 minute warning will be given for release of Trucks for a session/Race
- Trucks will be released onto the track from the Melbourne Loop to join track after the Roberts Chicane (Turn 10A)
- Practice sessions will start as soon as Trucks enter the track.
- For Races Trucks will be led onto track behind the Pace Truck



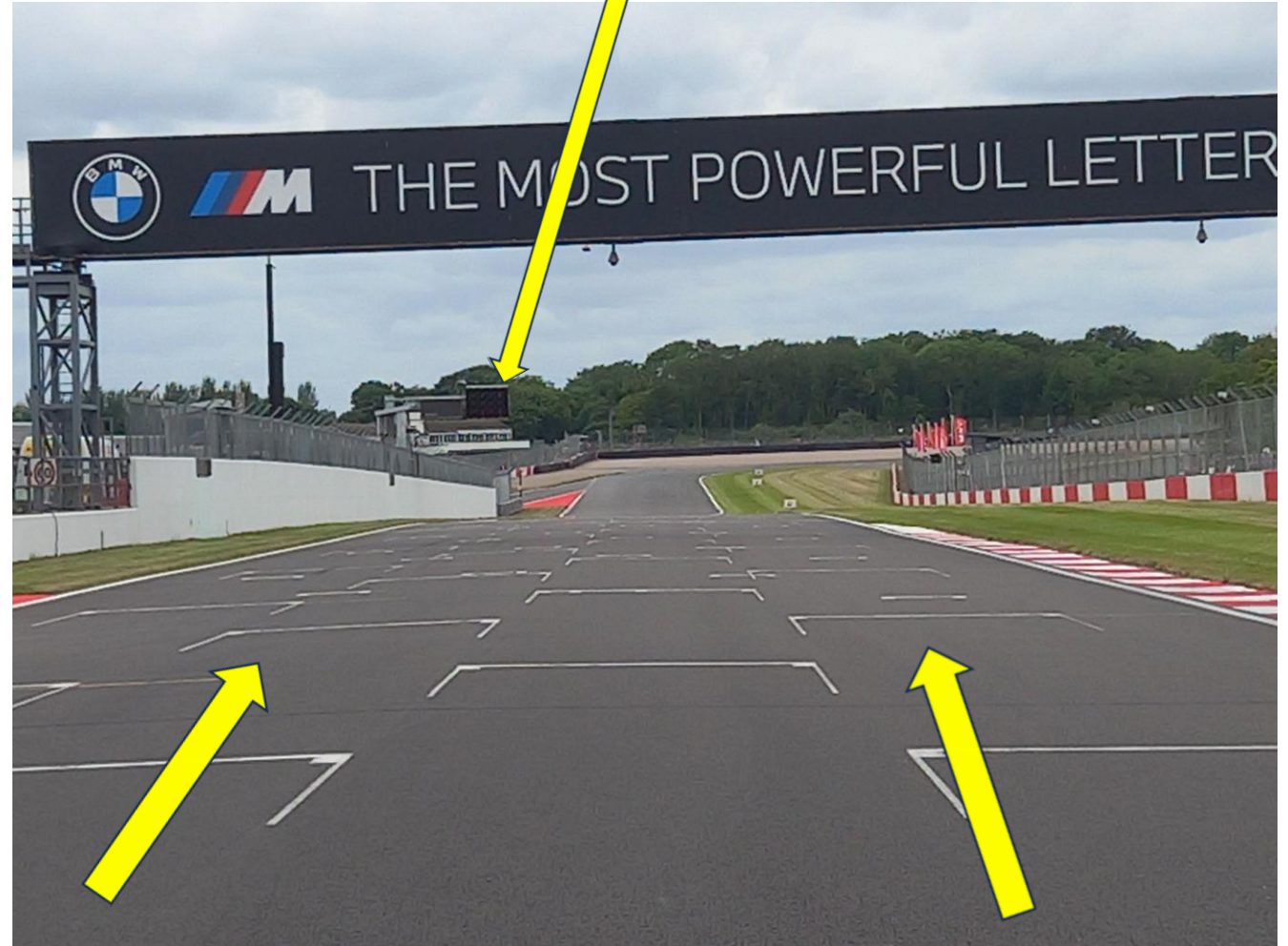
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RACE STARTS

- Leave Assembly Area behind Pace Truck and stop on grid in order.
- Countdown on grid
- Green Flag lap behind Pace Truck
- Pace Truck lights out after Turn 8 Coppice – Trucks form up in start formation.
- After Turn 10 Roberts Pole Truck keeps set speed of 50-70 kph as you approach the red start lights.
- Keep formation in two straight lines with 2-3 lengths from truck in front.
- Red lights off signals the start of Racing.

START LIGHTS





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PRACTICE SESSION AND RACE FINISHES

Finish/Control Line



- Chequered Flag on drivers left at Finish Line.
- Repeated on Light Panel beside Start Lights.
- Only pass once and do slowing down lap
- **SLOW** at end of Wheatcroft Straight **SLOW** approaching T9 Roberts Chicane.

- Turn left at end of Straight onto Melbourne Loop to enter Parc Ferme.
- Park off racing line in case of fluid leaks.
- Trucks to be walked back to Paddock once released from Parc Ferme.





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NOTES ON START & FINISH PROCEDURES



- At all times follow the instructions of Officials & Marshals
- It is forbidden for mechanics to drive the trucks on track
- Exceptionally a mechanic may be permitted to drive a truck back to the Paddock from the Pit lane/Parc Ferme, providing;
 - they have a full HGV Road Driving Licence
 - they have obtained the prior permission of the Championship Scrutineer



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JUDICIAL PROCEDURES



- In accordance with Championship Regulations (BTRC) and Supplementary Regulations (ITP) procedures are amended, with the approval of Motorsport UK.
- Procedures will be in accordance with the FIA International Sporting Code;
 - The Stewards will deal with on-track incidents and other penalties.
 - The Clerk of the Course will act upon reports from Judges of Fact eg: Infringements of Track Limits, False Starts, Speeding.
- All reported incidents will be investigated. Make sure you are aware of the time limits regarding the reporting of race incidents.
- Drivers are reminded that they must remain at the circuit for a minimum of 30 minutes after the issue of any provisional results.
- If Summoned, normally to the Stewards Room, the Driver will be advised of the time.
- Should a Driver/Entrant fail to attend then the hearing will be held in their absence.
- DO NOT switch off the Truck Electrics until instructed by the Championship Scrutineer. If instructed by the Championship Scrutineer, Truck electrics MUST be switched back on.





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DRIVING STANDARDS



- Both governing bodies are clear about the behaviour expected on the racetrack.
- In addition to this the BTRC 2024 Season Briefing includes very specific requirements for UK Truck racing – make sure you have read and understand what is required of you please.
- This is a NON-CONTACT sport. Any incidents will be investigated, and drivers found guilty of Causing a Collision (MS UK Q12.21.4) can expect penalties.
- Any advantage gained unfairly should be handed back – leaving it to officials to sort can risk a tougher penalty
- Remember too the MS UK Race with Respect Code.
<https://www.motorsportuk.org/racewithrespect/>
- Simple advice – *“Treat others who share the event with you the same way as you would like to be treated yourself.”*





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MECHANICAL/ACCIDENT PROBLEMS



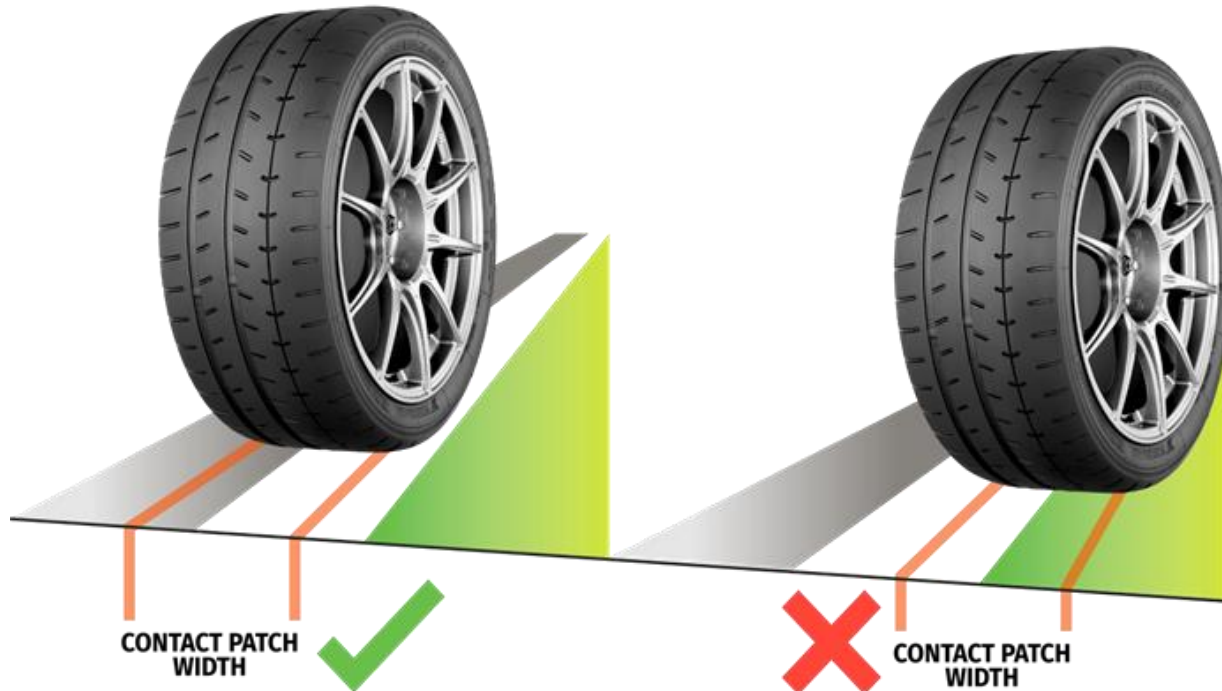
- If you have a mechanical problem, pull off the circuit into a safe position.
- Do not continue around the circuit if you are dropping liquids or debris that may affect other Drivers.
- If you are OK, you should give a “Thumbs-Up” signal to the nearest marshals and, when it is safe to do so, get out of the truck and move to a place of safety behind the barriers.
- Follow the directions of the marshals.
- If you receive outside mechanical assistance for the truck you cannot continue in the session.
- If you are injured do not attempt to leave the truck on your own.
- Wait for the arrival of medical assistance and, if necessary, the extrication team.



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TRACK LIMITS - MS UK DEFINITIONS APPLY



A driver will be judged to have left the track if any part of the contact patch of any Tyre goes beyond either the outer edge of any kerb or white line where there is no kerb



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TRACK LIMIT INFRINGEMENTS - PENALTIES

DURING QUALIFYING:

- Lap time on which the breach occurred will be disallowed (but it will still count towards minimum number of laps to qualify).

DURING RACES:

- First breach - will be noted
- Second breach - shown Black & White Warning Flag
- Third breach - 5 second time penalty
- Fourth breach - further 10 second time penalty
- Fifth breach - Drive Through penalty Q12.26 (h) in addition to proceeding time penalties
- Sixth breach - Black Flag



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TRACK LIMITS – REGULAR ISSUE AREAS

All areas of the track will be monitored for infringements. However, the following are regular problem areas;

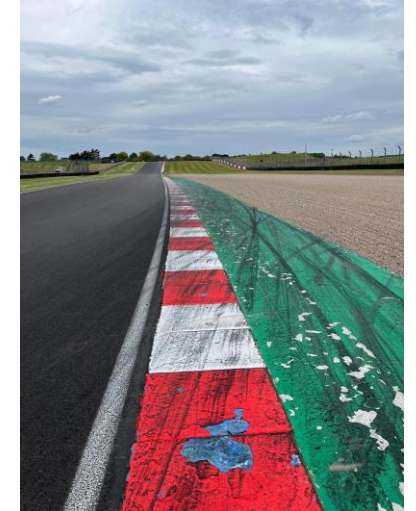
Turn 1 Redgate



Turn 4 Old Hairpin



Turn 7 McLeans



NOTE: The red and white kerbing is part of the track – the green painted area/grass/gravel beyond is not!



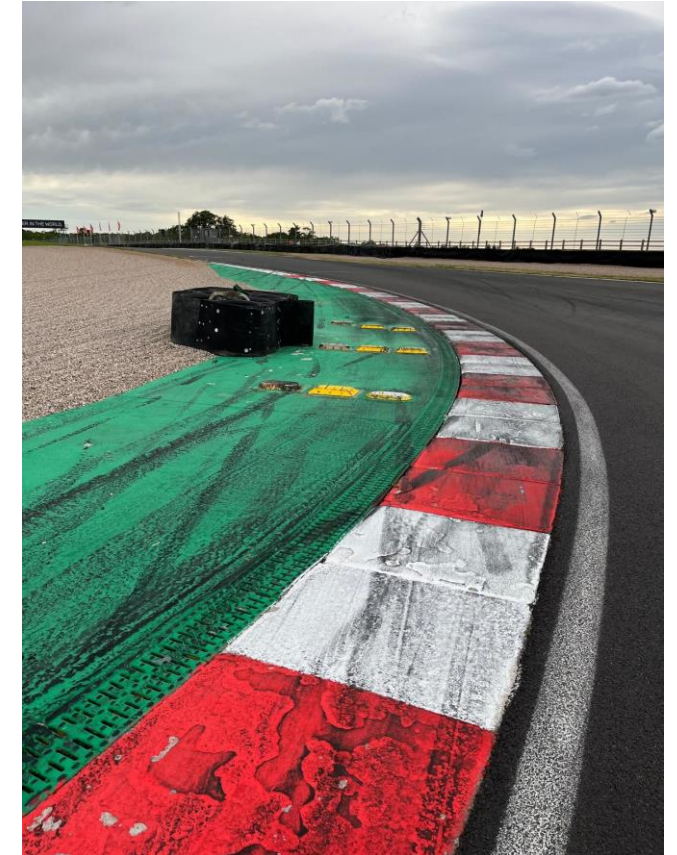
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TRACK LIMITS – REGULAR ISSUE AREAS (cont.) Turns 9/10 Roberts Chicane



CARE!

- Chicane Tyre Bundles in place.
- Yellow raised metal blocks in place on green concrete beyond rear of kerb.
- Any part of any tyre beyond the back of the Red & White kerbs will risk a warning /penalty.
- Any contact with the Tyre Bundles will be an obvious infringement!

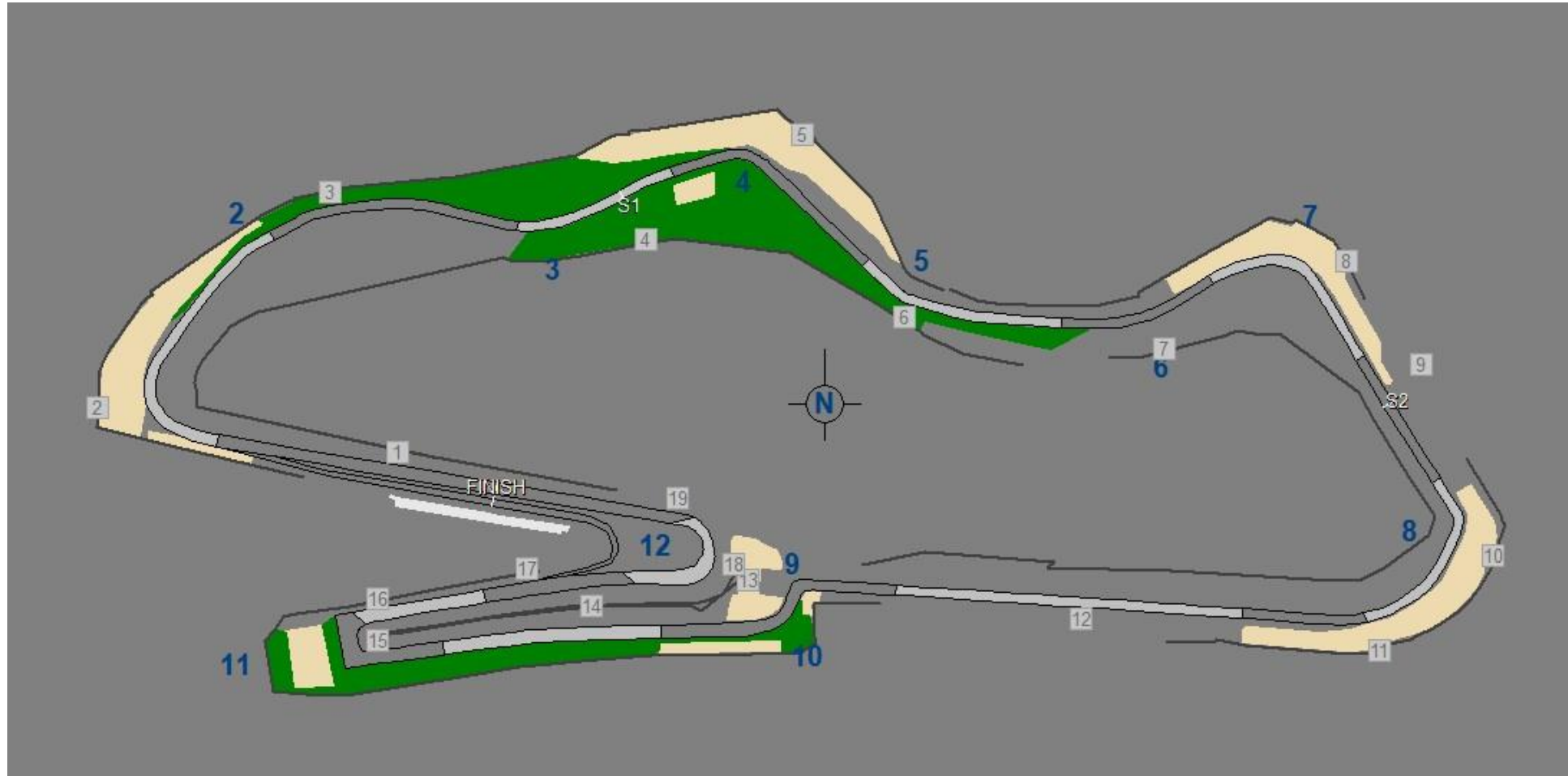




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LIGHT PANEL LOCATIONS AND TRACK TIMING SECTORS





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IN RACE INSTRUCTIONS & PENALTIES



- Displayed on trackside Light Panels. Same meaning and authority as Flag signals
- May be supplemented by Flag signals and be replaced by them if not functioning
- Virtual Safety Car will be announced on team radio and VSC displayed on all light panels
- Startline Light Panel will also be used to issue Warnings and Penalties with truck number to supplement Control Line Flags;
 - Warning - Black & White
 - Mechanical Warning – Black & Orange– Pit next time round for check
 - Stop/Go & Driver Through – Penalty to be taken within 3 laps
 - NOTE; Stop/Go and Driver Through Penalties must not be taken on the last lap.

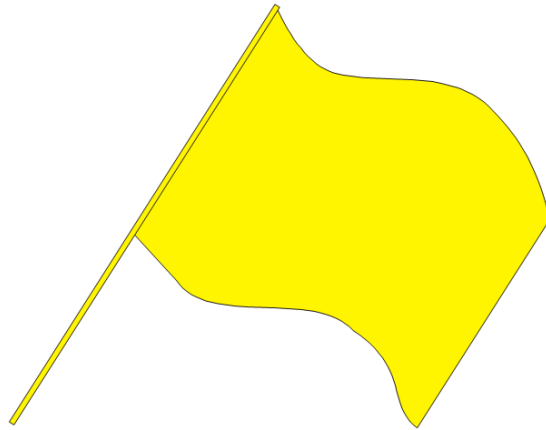




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YELLOW LIGHT PANELS OR FLAGS



- Trackside or on track hazard
- Slow – no overtaking
- Must be evident that you have diminished speed
- Flashing light panels/double flags to emphasise
- May be shown at preceding post too
- Do not have your own separate incident as a result
- Protects you, other drivers and marshals



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VIRTUAL SAFETY CAR (VSC)



- Neutralisation of the race – a valuable tool to avoid having to stop a race.
- Radio notification to all teams “ VSC DEPLOYED” and at same time all trackside Light Panels will display “VSC”.
- All trucks must reduce speed significantly and line up behind the leader, no more than 5 lengths behind and maintaining the same speed as the leader.
- Leader slows down to a maximum of 60 kph and all following Trucks match the speed. No overtaking or overlapping of other Trucks.
- Trucks may only enter Pit Lane to repair evident damage. Will only be allowed to rejoin from Pit Exit on display of Green Light and not when the train of Trucks is about to pass or is passing the Pit Exit.
- Once a Truck rejoins the track it must keep an appropriate safe speed and join onto the back of the line of Trucks.



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VIRTUAL SAFETY CAR (VSC) - ENDING

- Once the Clerk of the Course believes the problem is resolved they will end the neutralisation.
- Radio notification to all teams “VSC ENDING” and at same time it will be displayed on the Timing Screens.
- From this point the Race Leader will dictate the pace until reaching the green signal at the Finish/Control Line. Drivers must proceed at a pace that involves no erratic speed changes or manoeuvres.
- As the leader passes Pit Entry the green signal will be displayed at the Finish/Control Line and the “VSC” Light Panels will be withdrawn.
- Racing resumes at the Control Line. There must be no overtaking or overlapping of Trucks until this line is passed. All other Light Panels will display Green for one lap.
- At the discretion of the Clerk of the Course, and if appropriate, the Race may be extended up to an additional 3 minutes if “VSC” is used.





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RED LIGHT PANELS OR FLAGS



- **Trackside or on-track hazard.**
- **Session or Race has been suspended, timing ceased.**
- **No overtaking, slow down, be prepared to change direction safely.**
- **Protects you, other drivers and marshals.**
- **In Practice & Qualifying return to the Pit Lane.**
- **in Races return to just before the Grid and stop for possible restart.**



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THANK YOU FOR YOUR ATTENTION

ANY QUESTIONS?

**PLEASE STAY SAFE AND HAVE AN ENJOYABLE
WEEKEND AT THIS MAJOR EVENT IN THE CALENDAR!**