

# Mitre10 MEGA Summer Series Round 1 4<sup>th</sup> December 2022

## WRITTEN DRIVERS BRIEFING

This briefing is issued to assist in the running and management of the meeting. If you have any inquiries regarding the meeting your first point of approach is a Competitor Relations Officer.

## **COMPETITOR RELATIONS OFFICERS / RESULTS:**

Located in the Race Secretary's Office situated to the right of the Dummy Grid near the food stands. Results will also be posted on the Manawatu Car Club Facebook Page <u>www.facebook.com/ManawatuCarClub</u>

## **CONTROL LINES:**

The white **<u>SAFETY CAR CONTROL LINE</u>** is situated adjacent to pit lane entry.

The **<u>RED FLAG CONTROL LINE</u>** is situated at grid 15.

<u>PIT LANE SPEED</u> demarcation is between the broad white lines at the entry chicane and approximately 50 metres past the last pit lane garage. Maximum speed in the Fast Lane is 40km/h.

## **RED FLAG PROCEDURE:**

In the event of a RED FLAG during practice the red lights will come on right around the circuit, STOP RACING IMMEDIATELY and return to the pits.

If there is remaining time in your practice session after the circuit is cleared, you will be released with a green light at pit exit. In the event of a RED FLAG during RACING the red lights will come on right around the circuit. You must stop racing immediately and proceed to the red flag control line at grid 15 with no passing. Line up in single file to await further instructions.

ANY CAR NOT NOTICABLY SLOWING ONCE THE RED FLAG HAS BEEN SHOWN WILL BE PENALISED.

## FLAG POINT ZONES:

Flag point zones are marked with blue marker pegs at intervals around the circuit. Familiarise yourself with these zones

## PRACTICE:

Assembly area is situated on the Dummy Grid. Cars will be released by the Grid Marshals.

Cars in the pit lane garages will be released from their respective pit aprons by the Grid Marshals.

Exit from the pit lane will be controlled by red and green lights mounted at track level on right side of the exit lane. You must obey these lights.

#### WHEN JOINING THE CIRCUIT DO NOT CROSS THE YELLOW BLEND LINE AT PIT LANE EXIT.

When the chequered flag is displayed. Reduce Speed. Return to the pits after a FULL RUN-DOWN LAP. The Pit Entry is at the exit of Turn 7. Stay within the white lines.

## RACING:

<u>All Categories</u>: Assembly area is situated on the Dummy Grid. Cars will be released by the Grid Marshal behind the safety car in Pit Lane. The safety car will lead the field out of pit-lane, and may exit onto Lime Road. You are to continue around on the formation lap. Please ensure you do not dawdle on your out lap as the start lights may begin 20 seconds after the first 2 cars are in their grid positions

<u>Cars in Pit Lane Garages</u>: You will be released from your garages by a Grid Marshal. You are to remain on pit garage aprons until released. The safety car will be positioned at pit exit, queue behind the safety car for the formation lap

## DO NOT CROSS THE YELLOW BLEND LINE AT PIT LANE EXIT.

<u>At the conclusion of racing</u> and the run-down lap, proceed into pit lane staying within the pit entry markings. You will <u>continue down the full length of Pit Lane Garage Complex, without stopping</u>, to exit into the Paddock or be directed to Parc Ferme by the marshals. You are not to return to the Paddock via the Dummy Grid unless specifically instructed by an official. For handicap starts **DO NOT ROLL FORWARD**. Remain in your grid box until you receive your starting flag signal.

## PRACTICE START:

A practice start is ONLY PERMITTED at pit lane exit at the commencement of the warm up/formation lap

#### **RUN DOWN LAP:**

Run down lap. You must use the <u>full racing circuit</u>. There shall be no short laps taken using any of the interconnecting service roads, the next field will usually be released while you are on your run-down lap. **Please ensure you do not impede them**.

#### **TRACKSIDE PITS:**

Pit wall is for pit crew only - limited to three persons per team. **Minimum age 14 years**. Covered footwear only. Strictly No Smoking. Stay between the pit lane safety fence and pit wall.

<u>WARNING!</u> The pit lane is open and operating at all times during racing and cars may be running through it at any time. Pit crew are advised to take extreme care when crossing the lane.

No stopping: There will be NO STOPPING in the fast lane at any time.

<u>Pit lane parking</u>. There shall be no service vehicles in the pit lane for the duration of the meeting. All servicing is to be carried out in the pit/paddock areas.

#### **MECHANICAL FAILURE:**

Should this occur move off racing line and park as far off the track as possible - vacate the car - go to place of safety. If dropping oil it is essential you do not continue around track. If it is not possible to get the car clear of the circuit, **remain in the vehicle and await instructions from a rescue/flag marshal.** You must obey all instructions given by officials.

## OFF-TRACK EXCURSIONS:

Stay within the confines of the circuit at all times, ie. inside the white lines. Re-join circuit as near as possible to exit point. If you are rejoining the circuit for whatever reason – ensure the way is clear and re-join slowly and carefully. Do not spray stones or debris over the circuit. Should you gain an advantage drop back into the running order before the incident or you risk a drive through penalty.

On the exit of Turn7 the asphalt beyond the ripple strip is not part of the circuit. If you are on this part of the asphalt you are deemed to have left the circuit and a drive through penalty may be applied.

## FLAG POINT LIGHTS LOCATED AROUND THE CIRCUIT:

The Alitrax circuit lights system is installed at the eight flag points and above the start line.

If a safety car is deployed during racing the alternating yellow lights will come on and SC will illuminate on the flag point light arrays.

In the event of failure of the lights system, flags will be used.

#### **MEGA VISION DISPLAY BOARD:**

The Mega Vision display board is installed above the start line. This will form part of the official signalling board for this meeting. Car Numbers and warning flags etc will also be displayed here and must be obeyed.

## CODE OF DRIVING CONDUCT:

Competitors are to be familiar with Schedule Z Article 12 Code of Driving Conduct. Any occurrence or series of occurrences involving one or more drivers, or any actions by any driver, which is considered to have had a negative effect on any competitor or competitors is not permitted and will be penalised.

#### WITHDRAWAL:

It is essential that these are advised in person to the Race Secretary's office. Hire transponders must be returned to the office.

Issued by

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