



## **BRANDS HATCH – ULTIMATE BMW RACE BULLETIN**

### **Access / Sign-On:**

Access time will be from 4.00pm on Friday the 25<sup>th</sup> of August, Signing On needs to be done electronically in advance of the meeting, please refer to the event Final Instructions for full details on completing the signing on process.

### **Paddock:**

Please set up in the area of Paddock marked 8 & 9 on the Final instructions next to the BMWCCR Paddock. Please do not bring non-essential vehicles into the paddock and be considerate with support vehicles and trailers.

### **Scrutineering:**

There will be no physical scrutineering for the Ultimate Race as this will have been covered by by completion of the self-declaration (see the event Final Instructions for full details on this process.) All competitors should complete the Motorsport UK Self Scrutineering Check List and bring it with them to the meeting for inspection if required. This form can be downloaded at the following link:

[https://750mc.co.uk/ugc-1/1/28/0/2023\\_self\\_scrutineering\\_checklist.pdf](https://750mc.co.uk/ugc-1/1/28/0/2023_self_scrutineering_checklist.pdf)

For those running in relay format, both cars must display the same race number, please also ensure you get the 2nd car in your team noise tested prior to the session. The 2nd car will then proceed as instructed from the assembly area to the pit lane where it can wait until the time for a change over.

### **Qualifying:**

There will be a 20-minute qualifying session at 11.00am, for teams with two drivers both drivers must complete a minimum of 3 laps in either session. The grid will be formed by the best time set by each team in the qualifying session. **For teams running in "relay" format, only one car is permitted on track during the session, failure to adhere to this will result in exclusion.**

### **Briefing:**

There will be no briefing, please instead read all information within this document thoroughly. In order to assist competitors who have not raced at this circuit in its current configuration under MOTORSPORT UK regulations a set of briefing notes will be available to download at the 750 Motor Club website from the Event Noticeboard:

### **Race Start:**

The race will be a ROLLING START and there **will be a green flag lap.**

The procedure as shown in the Final Instructions is as follows:

*Cars will be pre-gridded in the Assembly Area then released to the grid, where there will be a countdown followed by the start of the Pace Lap. Cars should remain in their correct grid positions throughout the lap and avoid unnecessary weaving.*

*At the completion of the Pace Lap, if the Clerk of the Course instructs the Pace Car to switch off its lights and enter the pit lane then the pole position car will assume the role of Pace Car until the gantry lights are switched out. This will signify the start of the race. Any cars accelerating or holding back before the start may be penalised for being out of position at the start.*

*Whilst on the Pace Lap only, the Clerk of the Course may decide that the formation is not satisfactory and may then abort the start by not extinguishing the gantry lights. The Clerk of the Course will then instruct the Pace Car to do a further lap. If after that lap the Clerk of the Course is still not satisfied, the cars must return to the start line behind the Pace Car which will still have its roof lights on. A decision will then be made as to when to attempt a further re-run of the start. The race duration counts down from the time of the first attempted start. Any aborted starts will therefore reduce race duration.*

### **Pitstops:**

After 15 minutes a "PIT OPEN" board will be displayed at the start finish line, this will be shown for 3 laps.

After this teams will be permitted to make their mandatory stop and driver change (if required.) **All cars must be stationary for a minimum of 60 seconds.** Teams are responsible for timing their own pitstop.



The pitlane speed limit will be **50 km/h (31mph)** We do have the ability to check pitlane speed. The penalty for excessive speed will be a "stop and go" penalty equal to 2 seconds per km/h over speed limit

After 30 minutes a "PIT CLOSED" board will be displayed and mandatory stops are no longer permitted.

**Teams not stopping for 60 seconds, or making their only pit stop outside of this time period will receive a time penalty. If short stopping the chief timekeeper who is judge of fact regarding pitstops will apply a penalty of the balance of the mandatory pitstop time x 2, plus an additional 30 seconds. If stopping outside the pit window a 60 second time penalty will be applied.**

Engines may remain on during the pitstop. Teams who are not housed in garages will be allocated space outside of garages 1 to 19 in order to make their stops, this will be communicated to drivers after qualifying.

**DUE TO THE RESTRICTED NATURE OF THE PITLANE ALL CARS MUST PARK AT A 45 DEGREE ANGLE WITH THE FRONT OF THE CAR FACING TOWARDS THE PIT GARAGES. THIS APPLIES TO ALL PIT STOPS, ONCE A STOP IS COMPLETE THE CAR MUST BE PUSHED BACK BY TEAM**

**MEMBERS EXERCISING AN APPROPRIATE LEVEL OF CAUTION. DURING THE RACE FAILURE TO ADHERE TO THIS WILL RESULT IN A 1 MINUTE STOP & GO PENALTY FOR EACH OFFENCE.**

Anyone without a team member to push back should raise the issue in the driver's briefing and a member of the pitlane staff will be allocated as a helper.

**Awards:**

Trophies will be awarded to 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> overall, plus a number of additional prizes including best non-M powered car, best car on treaded tyres, Chairman's Cup etc.

Prizes will be awarded in the BMW Car Club awning in the BMWCCR area of the paddock immediately after the race.

**Issued By Competition Secretary: 25/08/2023 – 1pm**

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