



BRANDS HATCH – ULTIMATE BMW RACE BULLETIN

Access / Sign-On:

Access time will be from 1.00pm on Friday the 31st of May (to the paddock) and 6.00pm to the garages (unless you have booked one for testing.) 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:

The majority of drivers are also competing in either the BMWCCR or 116 Trophy Races, so please setup in the area of paddock or the garages you have been allocated for those races. A limited number of garages (23 to 28) have been made available to Ultimate Race competitors, please see the Final Instructions for the allocation. 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.

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 15-minute qualifying session at 11.00am, teams with two drivers should both complete a minimum of 3 laps in this 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 may result in exclusion.**

Briefing:

There will be a MANDATORY driver's briefing at 11.30am, this will be held in the Media Centre on the top floor of the Race Control Building.

Race Start:

The race will be a STANDING START and there **will be a green flag lap from the Assembly Area.**

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

Standing Start

The lap from the Assembly Area to the grid constitutes the green flag lap. Once the grid is formed up, there will be a one-minute countdown to the starting signal. No personnel will be allowed on the grid. Please note: the red lights will switch off, signalling the start of the race.

Competitors are reminded that the green flag lap must be completed at an appropriate speed (not too slowly) without any undue delay. Should the completion of the green flag lap be in excess of 4 minutes, then at the discretion of the Clerk of the Course any time in excess of the 4 minutes may be deducted from the 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 22 in order to make their stops, this will be communicated to drivers at the Briefing..

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 EXCERCISING 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.

Blend Line:

Competitors are reminded that they may not cross the solid white line (Blend Line) drivers left as they exit the Pit Lane.



Awards:

Trophies will be awarded to 1st, 2nd & 3rd overall, plus a number of additional prizes including best pre-91 and pre-98 cars, best car on treaded tyres, 1st, 2nd and 3rd 116 Trophy, 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: 31/05/2024 – 1pm

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