



## **Driver Briefing Notes 2026**

### **PRE-MEETING SAFETY CHECKS**

- All drivers must have their car checked by the technical staff before going on track. Any driver found to enter the raceway without being checked runs the risk of disciplinary action. This includes going out for practice.
- Drivers must take their log book to the pre-meeting safety check.
- All PPE should be taken to the pre-meeting safety check.

### **PIT SAFETY**

- Smoking is not permitted within the pit area.
- A walking pace speed limit is enforced throughout the pit area, for all vehicles.
- There must be no passengers within or on any race car at any time
- The pit area is not a playground, children must be accompanied by an adult at all times. Children are the responsibility of the parent/guardian at all times.
- Private cars are not permitted to park in the Pit Area – any tools, spares etc should be with the vehicle transporting the race car.
- Any cars being worked on within the pit area on a jack must have a secondary means of support i.e. axle stands or wheels
- Tyre buffing is permitted by any means, however the wheel/tyre must not be rotating by any mechanical motion. i.e. the wheel cannot be turning by the car engine or by a motor
- Any cars being worked on with a hi-ab must ensure that the car overhangs the bed of the hiab
- There must be a 2kg foam fire extinguisher at all transporter vehicles.
- All fuel must be kept in approved and sealed containers. When refuelling, a member of your team should be on stand-by with a fire extinguisher.
- Race teams must work in a responsible manner within the pit area, ensuring that any members of the public are at least 2m back from any vehicle being worked on with a welder, grinder, stihl saw etc, or the car is being re-fuelled. This is the drivers responsibility.



## GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION

- Drivers must remain within vehicles at all times when on track/infield except in emergency situations, or when advised to exit the car during a stoppage/suspension by a Clerk of the Course. Walking across the track unaccompanied is strictly forbidden.
- Drivers must not remove steering wheels, loosen belts or remove helmets whilst a live race is ongoing, even if retired to the infield.
- When entering or exiting the raceway, drivers must only drive in the direction of the formula on track and at walking pace directly to their grid position. No Extra laps should be completed.
- At the end of the race, drivers must line up in single file order whilst waiting to exit the pit gate.
- Drivers must continue racing until the red and chequered flags are displayed together at the end of a race before slowing down. They must not slow down when only the chequered flag is shown. Drivers who do this may be penalised.
- Contact after the red flag is strictly forbidden and may lead to disciplinary action.
- If you are involved in an incident you should indicate to a marshal that you are ok (thumbs up) or you require medical attention (thumbs down).
- If a driver requests a race stoppage, without a legitimate reason, that driver will be stood down for the rest of the meeting, as a minimum.
- Raceivers must be worn at all times when on track, and must be fully operational at all times.
- During practice, Raceivers must be worn. At the end of the practice session once the red light comes on, drivers should slow down and get into single file ready to exit the track, stopping at the pit gate awaiting instructions.
- Practice is not a race. Any contact during practice may see a driver loaded up from the event.
- There must be no overtaking the pace car without authorisation. Any driver overtaking the pace car without permission may be removed from the race. This includes going to grids when a lap of honour is underway.
- On rolling starts, the pole position driver or the pace car (which will come off the track on the back straight) will set the pace. If the pace car is used, when it leaves the track does not signify the start of the race. All drivers must maintain the set pace until the green flag is waved. Drivers must remain within their groups until the green flag is waved. There should be no accelerating or closing of gaps before green.
- Waved Yellow Flag. Drivers must slow down and get into single file order as quickly as possible when a waved yellow flag is shown and/or called on the Raceivers. Any driver not slowing down in adequate time, or overtaking after the waved yellow is displayed, could be penalised.



## GENERAL RULES AND INFORMATION (cont.)

- Red Flag. Drivers must slow down and come to a stop as quickly and safely as possible if a red flag is shown during a race.
- Drivers must not enter Race Control without invitation during a meeting. Any complaints or protests must be put in writing within 30 minutes of the event finishing. External video footage is not deemed as appropriate evidence. Protest Forms are available from the Race Office and the Scrutineering Area.
- The Stewards decision is final at all times. Black cross offences/dockings cannot be appealed, with the exception of mistaken identity or if a clear and obvious error has occurred.
- Drivers should never race whilst under the influence of alcohol or drugs.
- Verbal or physical abuse towards officials, marshals or any staff will not be tolerated and will result in disciplinary action.
- Drivers must sign in before racing and must wear their wristband at all times. The drivers sign in office will close at the advertised start time of the meeting. Drivers must pay their ORCi Levy when signing in.
- Drivers should always be familiar with the rules and specifications for their particular formula, and should be familiar with the ORCi Rules of Racing.
- Smart devices should not be worn during any race. This includes watches, phones etc, as any impacts may trigger their emergency features.
- Drivers are responsible for the conduct of their family and teams at all times.
- Directly recording others is forbidden around the stadiums, car parks and pit areas. This will be seen as provocative and intimidating behaviour and will lead to disciplinary action against your race team.
- Keep your pit area tidy, and use bins and plastic bags provided. Clean up the area around your race vehicle/trailer etc before leaving the complex. Any driver found to be leaving litter, car parts, or otherwise behind will be subject to disciplinary action.
- Please respect the venue, toilets and facilities. Any driver or team member found to be abusing the venue will face disciplinary action, up to and including an ORCi wide stadium ban.