

Competitor Briefing Notes

2021 HSRCA Sydney Classic, Sydney Motor Sport Park.
12th - 13th June, 2021.

1. On behalf of the HSRCA and the ARDC, welcome to Sydney Motor Sport Park.

Key Personnel:

Secretary of the Meeting: M. Stockwell – located at the base of the Control Tower (CT).

Stewards: TBC by bulletin - located near Secretary of the Meeting's office.

Assistant Clerks of Course: G. Peterson, J. Hodge and Jean Cook– located on Level 1 of the Race Control building.

Competitor Relation Officer: Barry Cochane.

2. These notes are to be read in conjunction with the NCRs, CRSR, Category Regulations, Supplementary and Further regulations and any Bulletins that have been issued for this meeting. This meeting is also conducted under Motorsport Australia WHS policy, refer to the notice board or Motorsport Australia website for a copy of this policy.
3. The Weekends schedule is extremely busy and all competitors are reminded that the onus is on them to present themselves to the Marshalling Area, well in advance of any time listed in the program. Listen for and respond promptly to PA calls.
4. **Marshalling Area:** All competitors are to assemble in the Marshalling Area.
5. **The Procedure for all Qualifying:** Under the direction of the Marshals, cars will leave their respective Marshalling Areas and enter the track via the Pit Exit. **Competitors are reminded that they must complete at least 3 timed laps to qualify for their events (race, sprints and regularity).**
6. **The Start Procedure for All Races:**
 - 5.1 The start procedure shall be as per Category / Series Regulations.
 - 5.2 Practice starts are only permitted at pit exit. No other practice or burnout starts are permitted on the Formation (Warm Up) Lap.
 - 5.3 Passing is only permitted to maintain grid position.
 - 5.4 Any car that encounters a problem during the Formation Lap, is late leaving the Marshalling Area, unable to keep up or is unable to take its place on the grid - may be driven into pit lane instead of proceeding to the grid. The car may then start from pit exit, but only at the direction of an official. If the car is driven to the grid, it must start from the rear of the grid.
 - 5.5 For standing starts, cars must not weave after the exit of Turn 18 as they come onto the grid.
 - 5.6 When the starter is satisfied with the grid, they will indicate 5 seconds and a standard light start will apply. You must be on the grid or in the pit lane at the 5 second signal to come under the starter's orders.
 - 5.7 **For Standing Starts**, the position of the front wheels in relation to the grid box will be a determining factor in respect to a false start - Cars must be stationary with the front wheels on or behind the grid box at the time of the start signal, which is the extinguishing of the red light. Missing grid positions are not to be made up.
 - 5.8 **For Rolling Starts - Q&R**, cars will leave the Marshalling Area behind the Safety Car for two (2) Formation Laps, with the race start on the second time crossing the control line. Cars are to be in their two by two grid positions, aligned from the pole car as they approach the starting grid before the start signal (the **extinguishing of the red light**). Missing grid spots are not to be made up.
6. **Session & Race Finishes:** The Chequered Flag will be shown at the Start / Finish line.

All categories will exit the circuit at **Turn 4** at the completion of qualifying and racing. You are reminded to approach this area with caution and proceed to your paddock area at walking pace.

7. **Safety Car** will be used for all races – be aware that no overtaking or overlapping, until after crossing the Control Line on race restarts.

8. Suspending or Stopping Track Activity:

- 8.1 Should a red flag be required during Practice or Qualifying, unless directed otherwise – reduce speed and return to Pit Lane with caution to await further instructions.
- 8.2 Should the need arise to control the track during racing, the red flag may be shown to immediately cease racing **OR** the Safety Car be used in the first instance to neutralize race activity. If the track has become unusable, then the race will be suspended. Cars will follow the Safety Car into Pit Lane, which will then stop in the through lane at Pit Exit with the race cars lined up behind it. Cars may be worked on as permitted CRSR Part A, 6.15.ix.

As circumstances permit to do so, after clearing the track, the race will recommence behind the Safety Car as per CRSR Part B.

- 8.3 In the event of a “force majeure”, the red flag will be shown to the field, and cars directed to their respective paddocks.

9. Observe the Flag Signals as shown from the Marshal Posts around the circuit, particularly for the Yellow and Red Flags, where you must decrease speed and not overtake other competitors.

The Clerk of Course flags are displayed from the Starter’s Stand and the Marshal Post on the left at the exit of **Turn 15**.

The Marshal Post lights will be used for Yellow and Red Flags, Safety Car interventions. The Blue lights may be used on the main straight for lapping in races.

10. Pit Lane:

- 10.1 Competitors please note you are responsible for the actions of your crew
- 10.2 Smoking is not permitted in the pit area at any time during the meeting.
- 10.3 Any person entering the pits must have the appropriate pass and must be attired in accordance with Article 4 of Schedule D of the Motorsport Australia Manual of Motor Sport.
- 10.4 No person under the age of 16yrs are permitted in pit lane, unless they are a competing in the event.
- 10.5 No equipment may be placed on the pit wall during the event.
- 10.6 40km/h will apply in pit lane at all times.
- 10.7 During the start of the Formation Lap, only race officials are permitted at the signaling wall.
- 10.8 Any person either fueling or defueling a vehicle must be attired as per Schedule D 3.6(a), and the garage area to comply with **Refueling In Pit Lane, Part 2, 2(a)** whilst any fuel activity takes place, including a 1.5 metre exclusion zone, or as directed under COVID provisions, around the site of the fuel activity. All fuel must be decanted from or returned to Australian Standards’ approved container/s.
- 10.9 No reverse direction allowed on the circuit unless directed to do so by an Official.

11. Track Limits: You are reminded to keep within the track limits. For Turns 5 & 15 in particular, competitors crossing the solid unbroken lines with all four wheels may be penalised if this action is considered to gain an unfair advantage over other competitors. Judges of Fact will determine competitors who fail to keep within the track limits.

In qualifying offenders may lose their fastest lap for that session. In racing, a 5 second penalty will be added to race time for the 1st breach. For subsequent breaches, drivers may be subject to a Pit Lane or equivalent as deemed appropriate by the CofC and or the Stewards.

13. If you break down on the circuit – after finding a safe position off the circuit for your car - if it is safe to do so, leave the vehicle and retire to a safe position. Do not attempt to fix the vehicle.

- 13.1 If the safest position is in the car, please remain wearing all safety equipment and stay strapped in the car.
- 13.2 In all situations, please indicate to the closest flag point or official that you are OK with a thumbs up.

14. Penalties for Exceeding Pit Lane Speed and False Start will be applied as per Section 9.4 of the CRSRs. Where a breach of the NCR, RSMR, Category Sporting Regulations or Supplementary Regulations, the Clerk of the Course may apply a Pit Lane Penalty as appropriate.

15. If you require a licence signature – please hand your Passbook into the Assistants Clerk of the Course, first floor of the Race Control, before competition this morning otherwise a signature will not be given.

We trust you have a safe and enjoyable weekend.

Steve Preece
Clerk of The Course

Michael Hancock
Deputy Clerk of the Course



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Further Notes for Regularity Events

Refer Regularity Trial Standing Regulations

For each grid, cars will be marshalled in order of the driver nominated lap time, with the fastest nominated lap time at the front.

Prior to the commencement of each trial, a one - minute board shall be shown to the field. A driver failing to be marshalled when the one - minute board has been shown shall not be permitted to commence that trial.

Each car shall then enter the circuit in single file for a warm - up lap. During the warm - up lap each vehicle must remain in single file.

The green flag will be waved at the Marshal Post at the exit of Turn 15 (the hairpin) on the left.

Timing for each vehicle shall commence as it crosses the control timing line at the end of the warm - up lap (flying start) and shall continue until the display of the chequered flag.

Further Notes for Super Sprint Events

For each event, each car will be marshalled in order of practice time with the fastest car to the front.

Prior to the commencement of each sprint, a one - minute board will be shown to the field. A driver failing to be marshalled when the one - minute board has been shown will not be permitted to commence that sprint.

Each car shall be released onto the circuit at 3 second intervals and maintain that distance for the one (1) warm - up lap.

During the warm - up lap no passing is permitted except where a vehicle has encountered mechanical or other problems causing it slow appreciably.

Timing for each vehicle shall commence as it crosses the control timing line at the end of the warm - up lap (flying start) and shall continue until the display of the chequered flag. Events will allow 3 or 4 timed laps.

Please remember that "Overtaking is permitted but "racing" is not. The results shall be determined on the basis of elapsed time for each vehicle including any penalties incurred".

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If you have any questions, please see the Assistant Clerks of the Course's office, level 1, of the Race Control building.

SYDNEY MOTORSPORT PARK – CIRCUIT DIAGRAM

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KEY	
	Start Lights
	Control Line
	Turn Number
	Light Panels
	Sector Loop
	Exceeding Track Limits
MP	Marshall Post

