

Mazda MX-5 Cup & Ford Fiesta Sprint Cup Benelux

Drivers Briefing –Trophy of the Dunes 2025
Circuit Zandvoort

Welcome



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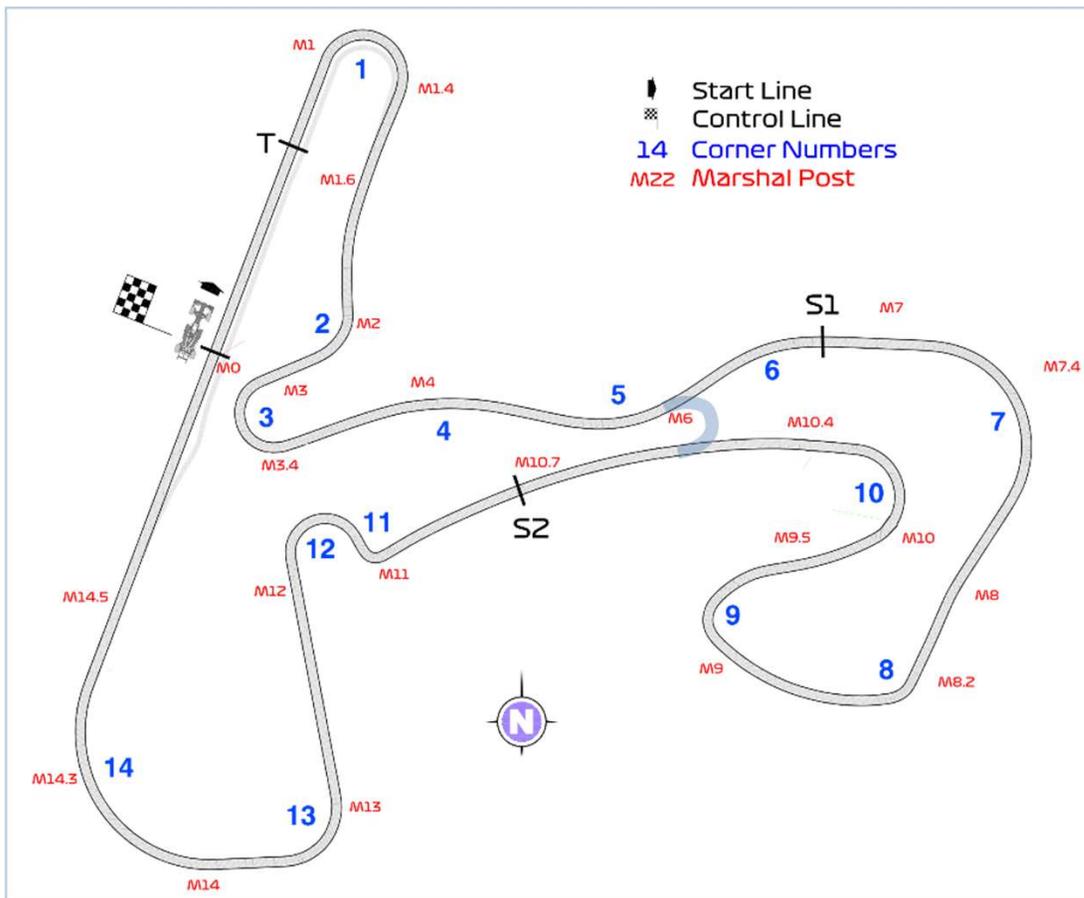
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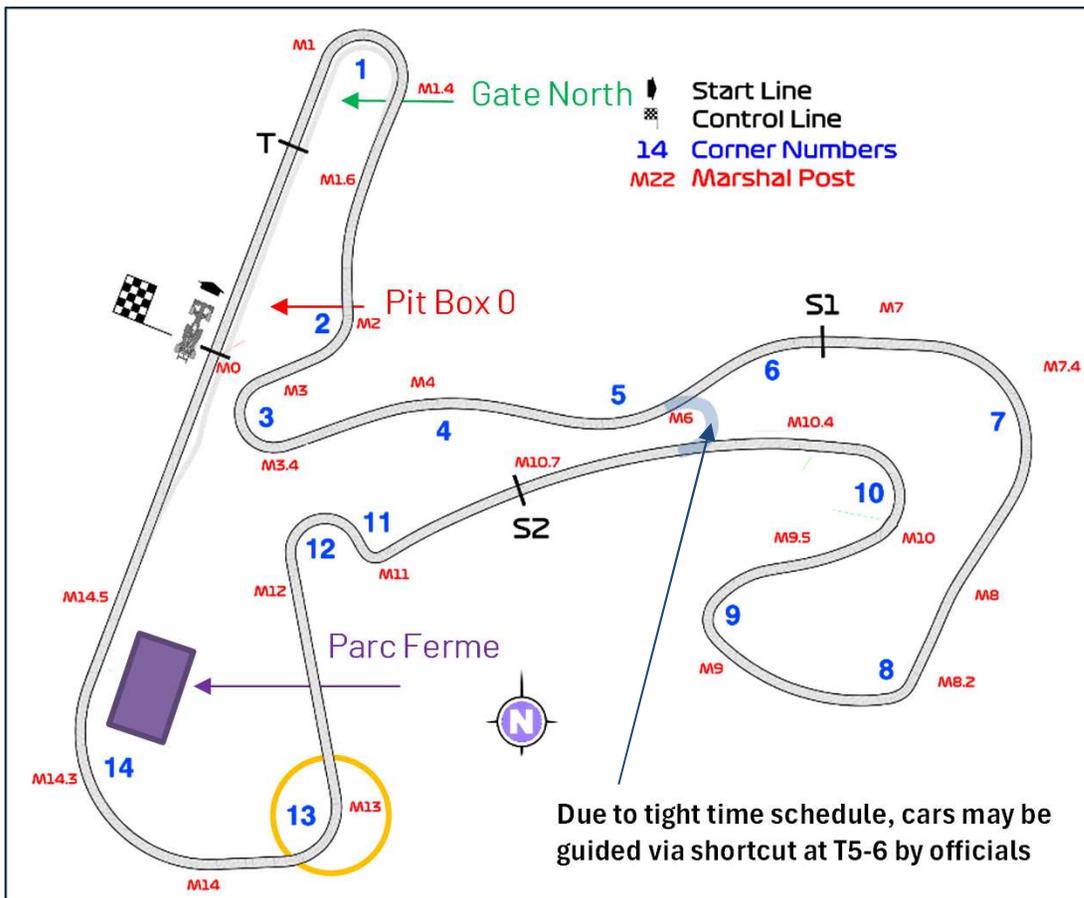
- Length: 4.259 meter
- Direction: Clockwise
- Start: Standing start (ONE group, Mazda front, FFSC behind)
- Pole Position: Left Side
- Pit Exit: Exit of Turn 1, track right
- Start and Finish Line: are not the same (offset approx. 56,23m)
- Penalty Area: Underneath Podium, in front of Race Control
- Pitlane Speed: 60 KM/H
- Pre Start Area for the races: Pitlane (Pitbox 0)
- Scrutineering Bay / Parc Ferme: Paddock 2 (Tyre Forms)
- Banked turns (T3 & T14): Slow? Stay Low!

All cars must be race-ready **20 min. before** the official session starting time, but may not enter pitlane until preceding session is finished

Logistics – FP and Q Procedure

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– Pre-Assembly Area is near **Pitbox 0** for those teams that are located in Paddock.

– **Free Practice** and **Qualifying** will be started from the pitlane

Equipment vehicles and tyre trolleys should enter pitlane via **Pitbox 0**.

– At the **end of Free Practice**, all cars will leave the track using the **Pit Lane Entry**. Cars who have their awning on the paddock (1 or 2) can leave the pitlane using **Gate North** near the Pit Lane Exit

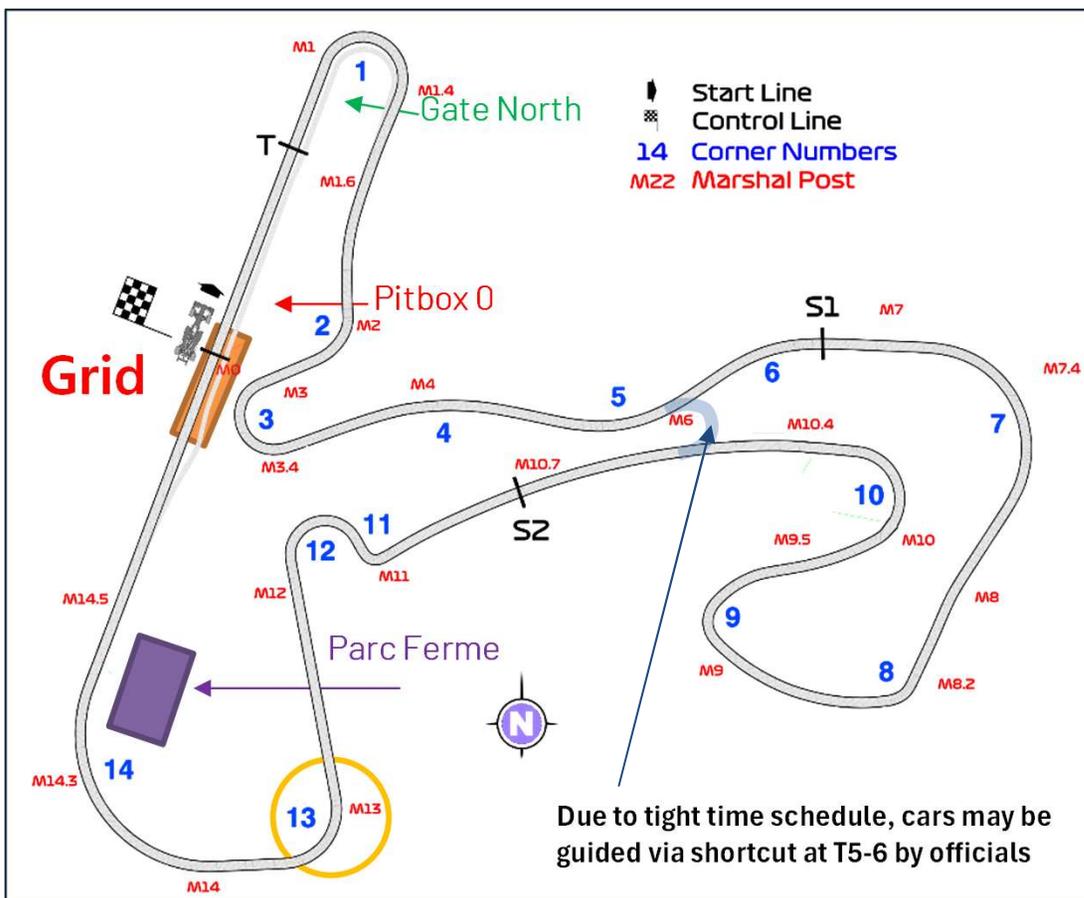
At the **end of Qualifying**, all cars will leave the track using **MP13** at T13 and head directly to **Parc Ferme**. Cars waiting in the pitlane, will be send over the paddock, under Parc Ferme, unless instructed otherwise by officials.

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Logistics – Race Procedure

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- Pre-Assembly Area is near **Pitbox 0** for those teams that are located in Paddock.
- **Grid Formation** will be formed on the starting grid (no extra installation laps). Cars go on track via Pit Exit
Cars may be guided via shortcut to grid
Equipment vehicles and tyre trolleys should enter pitlane via **Pitbox 0** and are not allowed on the grid

At the **end of the Race**, all cars will leave the track using **MP13** at T13 and head directly to **Parc Ferme**,
Except the overall **Top 3** of Mazda and overall **Top 3** of FFSC.

Cars of the **Top 3** will need go to Parc Fermé via **Pitbox 0** and the Paddock (cars are under Parc Fermé regulations already)

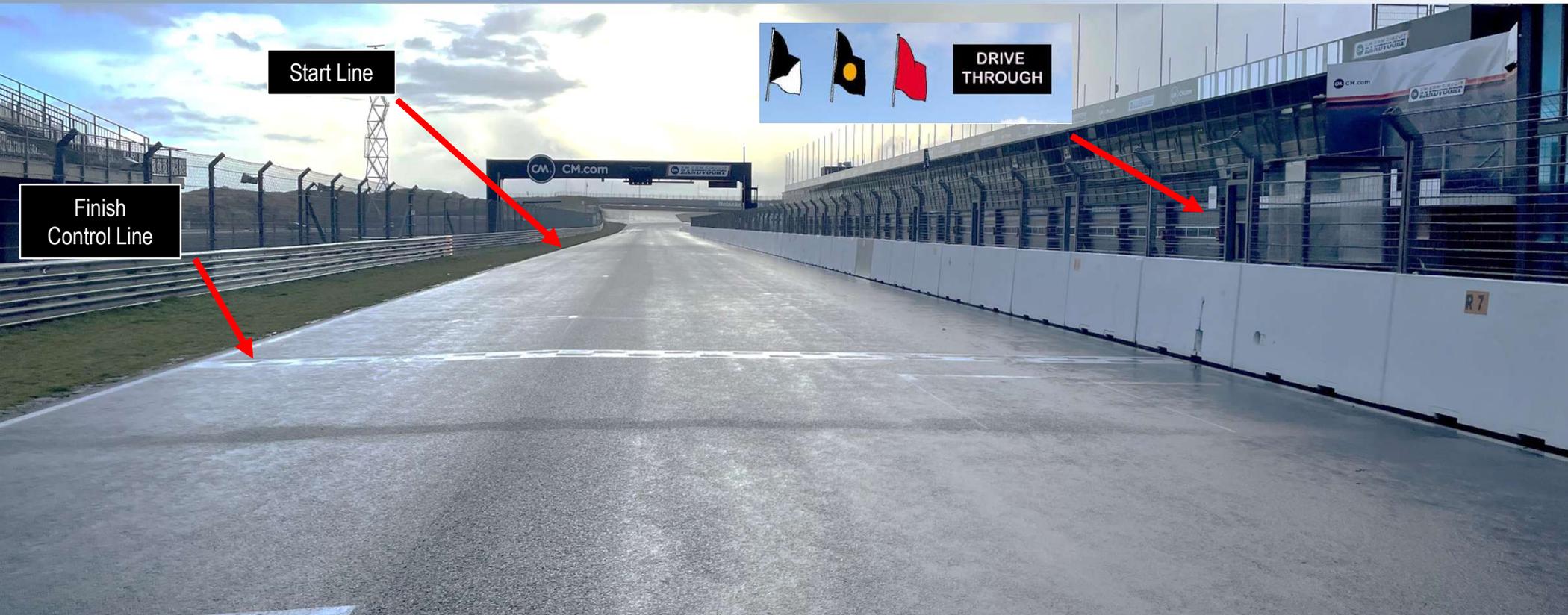
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Finish Control Line | Signalling Area

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Start Line

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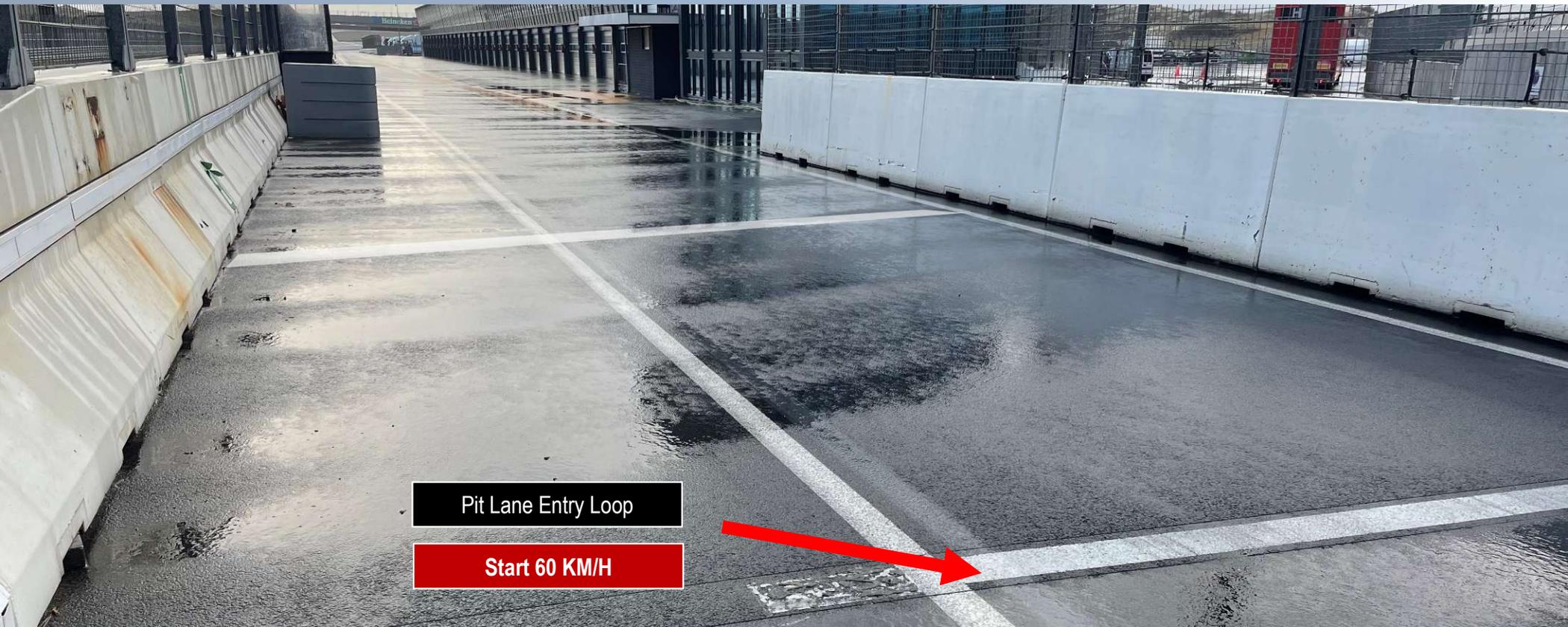

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Pit Speed 60 km/h

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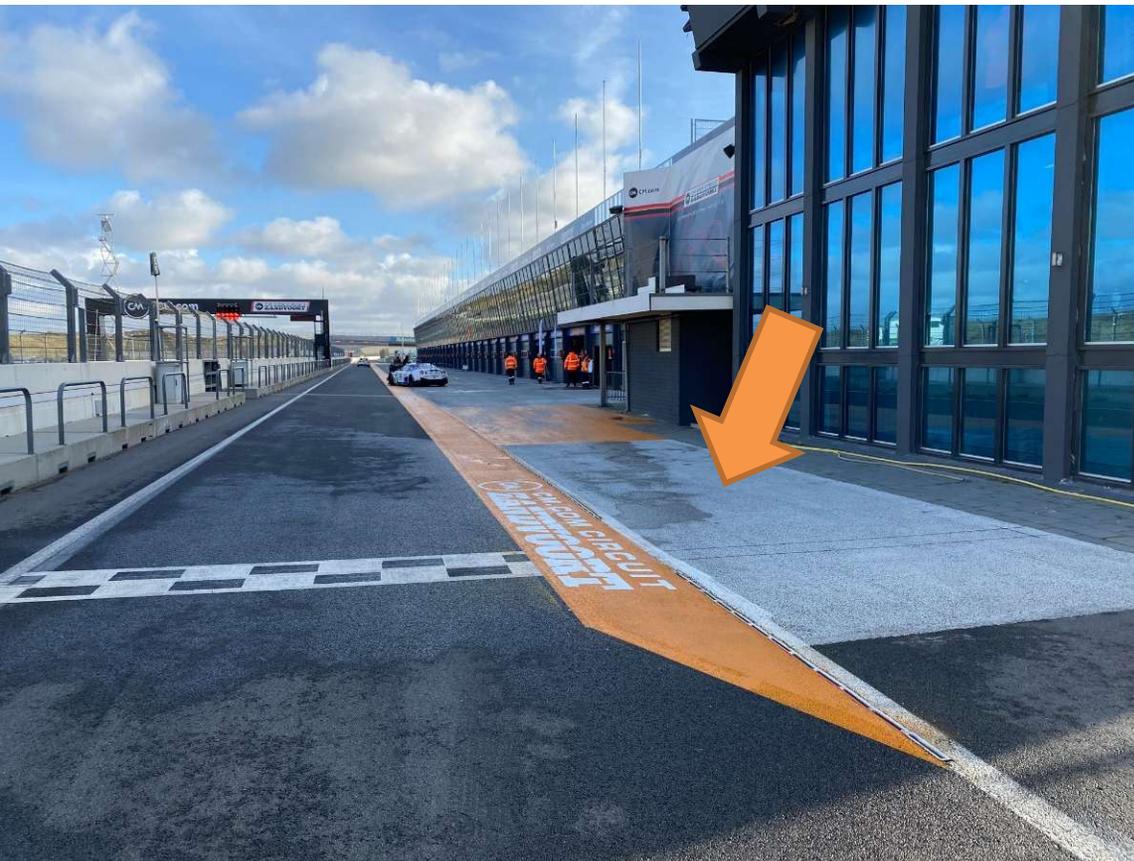
Pit Lane Entry Loop

Start 60 KM/H

Penalty Box

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- Technical Flag (Meatball)



- Black Flag



~~- Warning Flag~~

End Pit Speed 60 km/h & Timing Loop

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Pit Exit Lights
Pit Lane Exit Loop
End 60 KM/H

Practice starts

White Line Pit Lane Exit

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Safety Car Line 2

Do not Touch while leaving pits

Run off T1

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Rejoin at exit T1

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Run off T8

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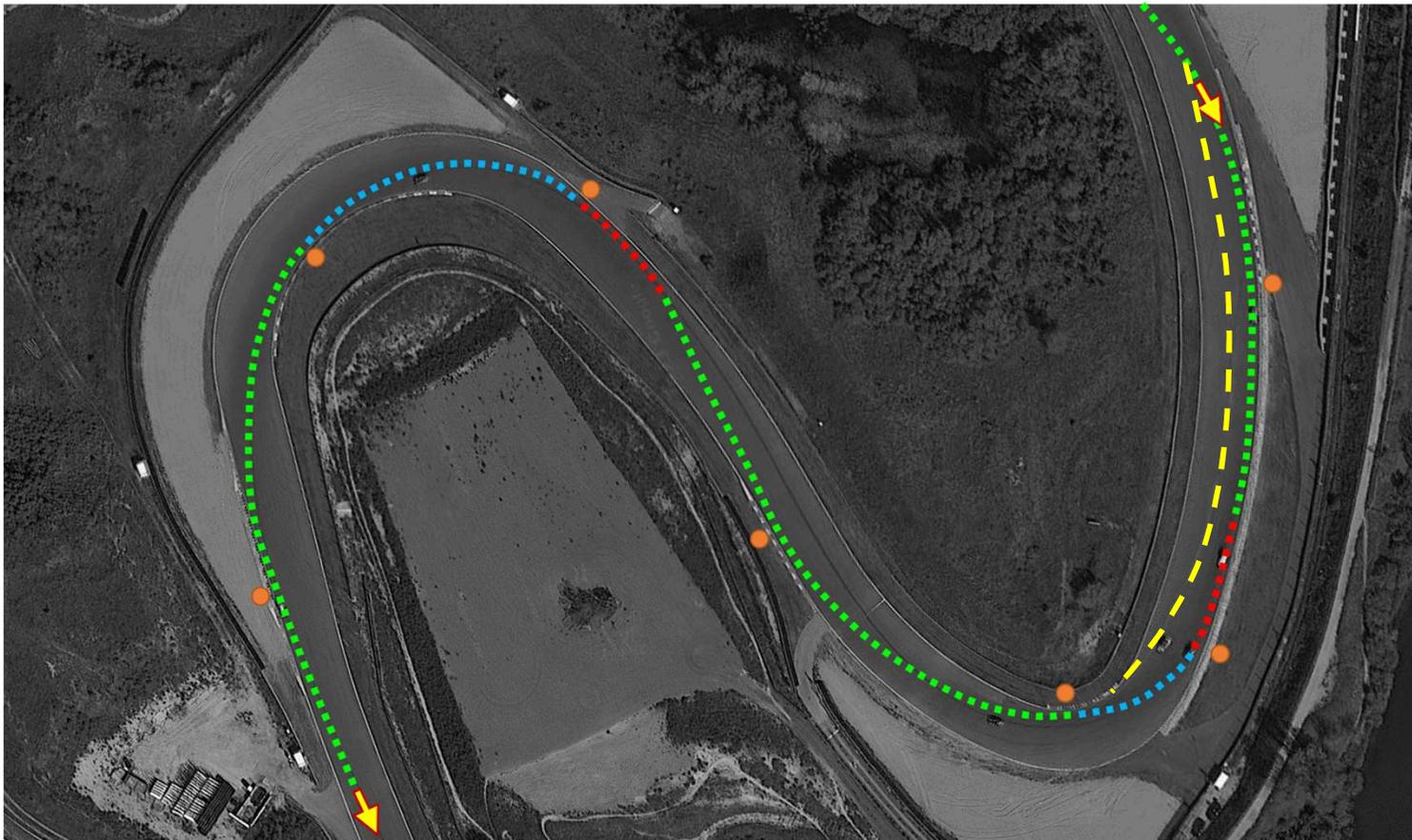
Return on track, give way!

Asphalt run off area

Overtaking at T9

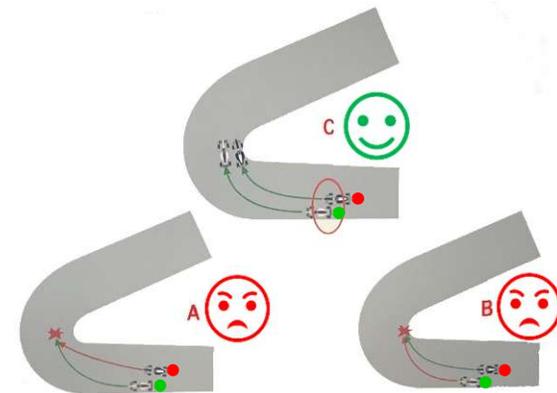
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Stay sharp and focus on your line

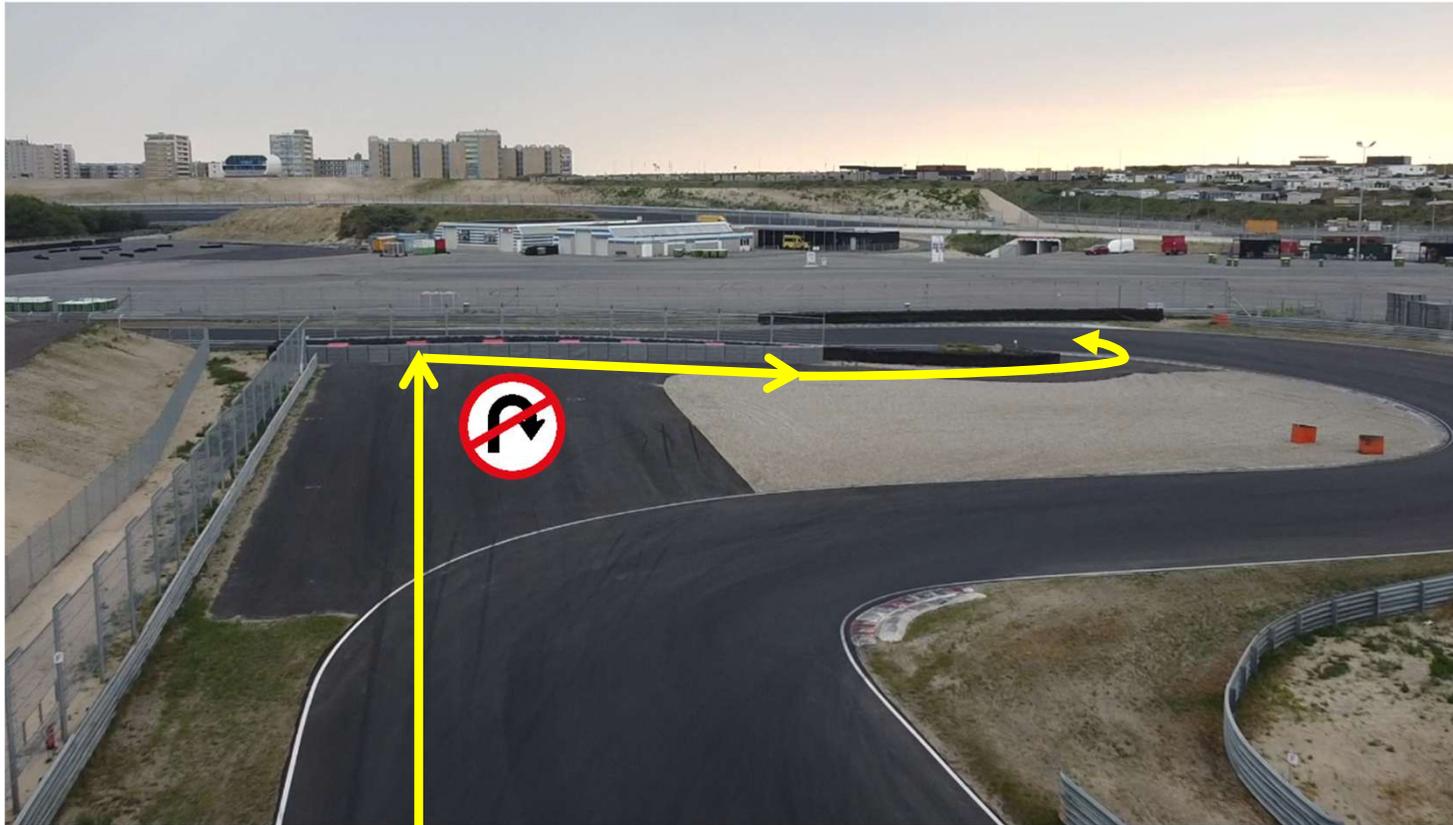
*When you want to overtake at
Turn 9!*



Run off T11

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Asphalt run off area



Basics – Starting Procedure

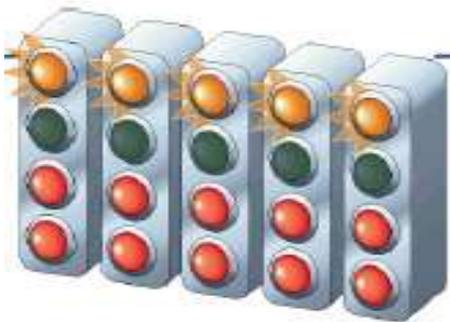


- Know your grid position (before you go on track)
- No tyre trolleys on the grid
- Wait for the warm-up lap to start (green flag & green lights in gantry)
- Start will be F1 sequence
 - ▶ Red lights out = start race.
- All cars start at the same time, however, Mazda group starts in front of the FFSC

Start delayed

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- In the occasion of problems on the grid or during the formation lap, the Race Director may decide **not** to start the race.
The start will be aborted.
- In this case, the red lights on the starting gantry remains red and orange lights will flash.
- The sign **Start Delayed** will be displayed
- A new formation lap will follow, when the **green lights** on the gantry have been activated (race time starts, but race competition had not started)

Good to know



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MAZDA MX-5 CUP - UPDATED

Grid position race 1
Grid position race 2
Grid position race 3
Too late

= Based on Qualifying best time
= Based on Qualifying 2nd best time
= not applicable (No R3 for FFSC)
= Start from Pit Lane

| Based on Qualifying, with top 10 reversed
| Based on *Qualifying, best time*
| Based on *Qualifying 2nd best time*

Technical problem?
Leave the car?
Chequered Flag

= Please make a sensible discussion (orange marking on guardrails)
= Stand safe behind the guardrail
= Do not overtake in your cooling down lap!
Cars may be guided via T5-T6 shortcut by officials
Officials can be on track for clean-up for the next session.

First 3 finishers drive to podium (overall top 3 FFSC and overall top 3 MX-5),
other cars go immediately to Parc Fermé



Track Limits?

= Appendix L applies: white line = track limit (incl. track limits outside of T3)



Good to know 2



- Make sure you score championship points! (75% of the race distance of the winner)
- Did you do an overtake that might not clean/correct? Give back the position asap!
- No bump-drafting in braking zones
- Weaving and warming up the tyres: look in your mirrors and do not block faster cars
- Parc Fermé also applies on on-board camera's.
- Make sure the Timing Transponder is fitted correctly
- Drivers are reminded of Chapter 19 of the KNAF Autosport Jaarboek regulations (general conduct and social media behaviour)
- Flags and Digiflags have the same meaning.
 - In case of contradicting flags: the safety flags go first



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Mandatory two-way communication device for this event

It does NOT replace your current timekeeping transponder.

Make sure that the timing transponder is fitted correctly!

Race Control can see:

- Live GPS location
- Live GPS speed

Race Control can send:

- Full Course Flags
- Sector Flags (no blue)
- Personal Flags

Fit the Racelink on your (clean) dashboard (and mind the anchoring),
and make sure the driver can see the LED's on the front of the Racelink.

Additional/alternative installation tips are shared via the Sportity app.



Note that all cars will have a RaceLink Club. The Racelink is an *assisting* notification device.
So...Do you see a Racelink blinking? Look at the marshal post!



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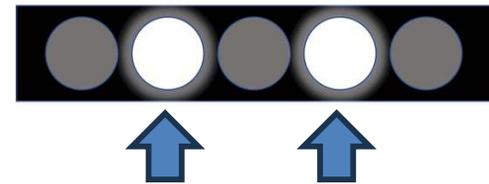
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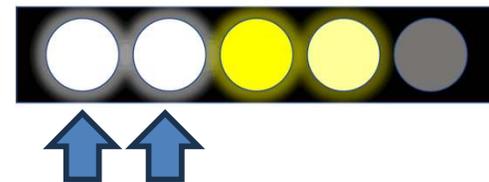
Anchoring the device is important.



SC



FCY



After the last session of each day the RaceLink will be collected in Parc Fermé and you can collect it before the first Session of the next day



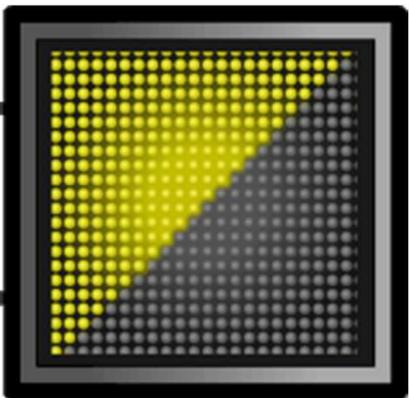
Flag signals - Yellow

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- Reduce your speed
- Double waved yellows: be prepared to change direction or to make a emergency stop
- Don't drive next to each other in any yellow flag situation
- Overtaking is prohibited until you have passed the green flag.



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START OF THE FCY PROCEDURE

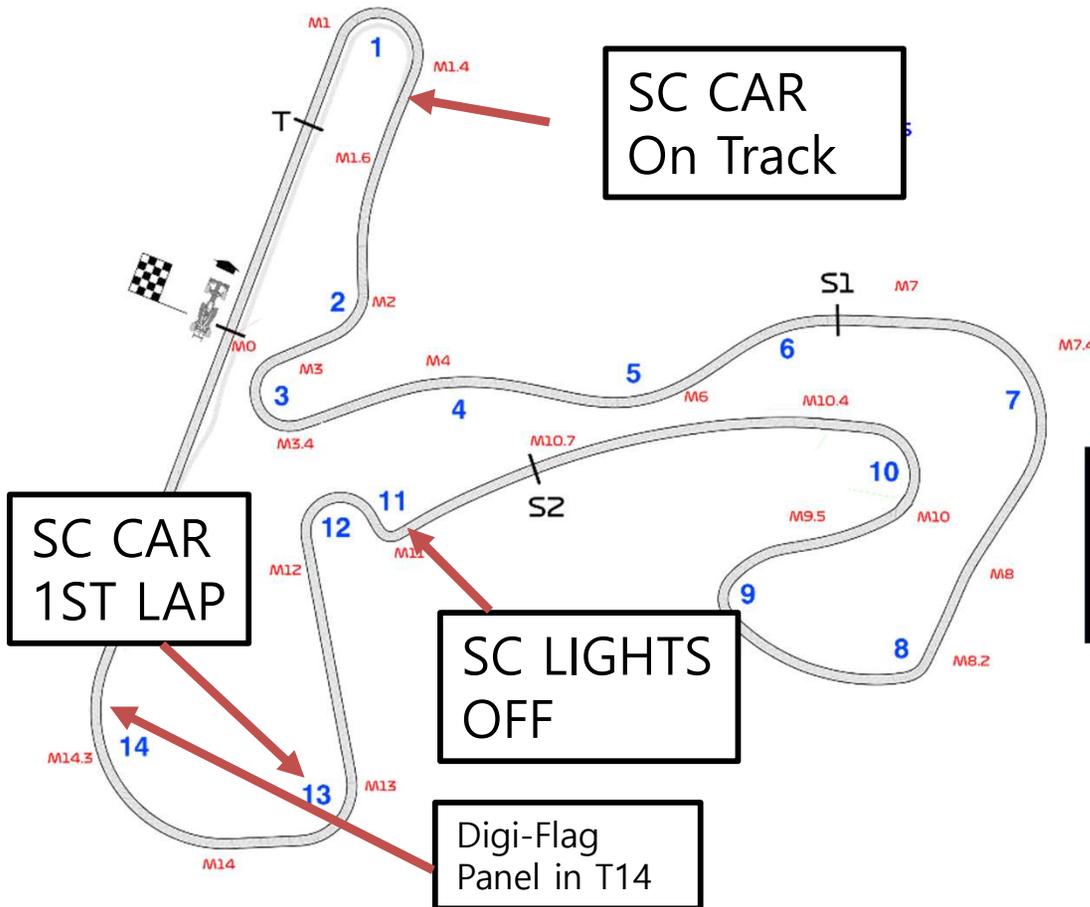
- YELLOW FLAGS + BOARDS "FCY"
- LED-PANELS (Digiflags) DISPLAY "FCY"
- NO OVERTAKING ALLOWED
- REDUCE SPEED AS QUICKLY AS POSSIBLE
 - IN A SAFE WAY
- WATCH OUT FOR INTERVENTION VEHICLES
- MAX SPEED 80 KP/H
- MYLAPS RACELINK:



ENDING OF FCY PROCEDURE

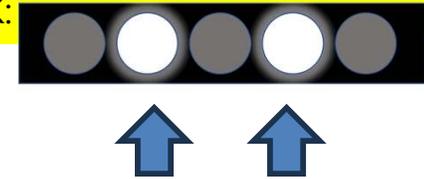
- YELLOW FLAGS AND PANELS DISAPPEAR
- ALL LED-PANELS (Digiflags) GO GREEN
- ALL MARSHALS SHOW GREEN FLAGS
- WHEN YOU **SEE** THE GREEN SIGNAL, OVERTAKING IS ALLOWED IMMEDIATELY

Flag Signals – SC Procedure



SAFETY CAR PROCEDURE

- YELLOWS FLAGS + BOARDS "SC"
- NO OVERTAKING
- WATCH OUT FOR INTERVENTION VEHICLES
- RESTART ONLY FROM THE CONTROL LINE
- MYLAPS RACELINK:



SAFETY CAR VIA PITLANE (when needed)

- FLASHING LIGHTS STAY ACTIVE
- NO OVERTAKING
- ALL CARS MUST FOLLOW SC INTO PITLANE

END OF SAFETY CAR PROCEDURE

- LIGHTS OFF IN SECTOR 3
- RESTART FROM THE CONTROL LINE
- 1 single waved green flag
- OVERTAKING ALLOWED AFTER THE CONTROL LINE

Flag Signals – Red Flag

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- Reduce Speed. Be Prepared to Stop!
- Overtaking is forbidden at all times (exception for force majeure)
- Session is Suspended
- Follow Instructions given by officials
- Causing a red flag situation may lead to a severe penalty

Free Practice & Qualifying

All cars into pitlane

Red Flag in Q **with resumption?**

→ Working on car allowed.

Red Flag in Q and **no restart?**

→ Parc Fermé applies

Race

All cars into pitlane

Cars must line up, single file, and stop before the red/white line at the Pit Exit Lights.

Cars are under parc fermé conditions (working on the cars is not allowed) until the RD declares to resume the race, behind SC.

Cars in front of the leader can be send out first on track to join back of the pack



Driving Conduct



Examples

- Jumpstart
- Ignoring flag signals or Instructions from marshals
- Overtaking under yellow, red or after chequered flag
- Speeding under FCY, Pit lane, Yellow.
- Dangerous driving behaviour with or without contact
- Unsportsmanlike behaviour
- Change direction more than once
- Take advantage of an unclear situation
- Track limits

Penalties that can be applied

- Deleting (fastest) lap time(s)
- Time penalty
- Position penalty
- Grid penalty
- Starting from pitlane
- Drive through
- Stop and Go
- Stewards decisions

A penalty can come with extra point(s) on your licence:

5 Points	drop of 3 places on the grid next race
8 Points	drop of 10 places on the grid next race
10 Points	Start from pit lane next race



Sprint spirit



- Achieve proper sportsmanship (also after the race)
- If you can't see a car you were defending position to → the car is still there!
- Leave each other sufficient race room (at least one car width) in cases of close racing
- Don't force your car in positions where there is no space
- Try to think 3 turns, 3 minutes or 3 laps ahead
- Crashes in motorsport always hurt (your budget.... And maybe even worse)
- Be the best sprint series ambassadors!



QUESTIONS? MAKE IT A GREAT SEASON!

SAFETY – RESPECT - SPORTSMANSHIP

