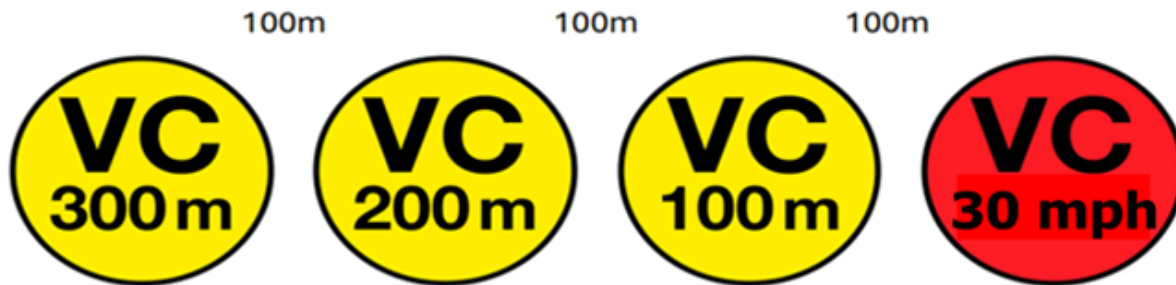


VIRTUAL CHICANES

The Hills Ford Stages has received permission from Motorsport UK to take part in the ongoing national trial of Virtual Chicanes, and plans to utilise these in two locations listed within your roadbooks. The Virtual Chicanes utilised on this event have been used on a number of events throughout the UK in 2026, and consist of the use of a Speed Indication Device, along with a display at the roadside. The speeds are recorded by a signed-on judge of fact, and also transmitted to a data server for later use.

The display will be positioned directly in front of you and will be highly visible.

Prior to the Virtual Chicane you will see countdown boards like this:



The Yellow VC boards indicate the distance prior to the Virtual Chicane area. The Red VC 30mph board will be approximately 75metres from the Speed Indication Device. After passing the red board you are required to slow down to a speed of 30 mph or lower and observe the display in front of you. The display will show your speed, and once you have met the required maximum speed of 30mph within the Virtual Chicane area, a Green “GO” will be displayed.

An example of what the device will look like and its display is as below;



Not yet reduced to the maximum speed



Met the maximum speed

It is very simple, safer and easier to navigate than a 4-element chicane.

To encourage compliance with the reduction in speed, there will be a Judge of Fact observing the display and maintaining a log of every car as to whether they successfully displayed a Green “GO” sign, and in doing so, met the required speed.

The data from the Speed Indication Device is also transmitted to Rally Control and we have access to your vehicles tracking device, to corroborate the data.

Using all 3 of these inputs we will determine whether the required reduction in speed was met or not, and if not then a penalty can be applied using the following criteria:

1 to 3 mph excess: 10 seconds

4 to 6 mph excess: 20 seconds

Over 6 mph: 1 minute