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BRIEFING NOTES VERSION 1

PART A: SPECIFIC EVENT NOTES

1. OFFICIALS OF THE COMPETITION

Chairperson of the Panel of the Stewards:	Richard NORBURY (GBR)
2nd International Steward:	Valerio BRIZZOLARI (ITA)
ASN Steward:	Pascal SIMON (FRA)
Clerk of the Course:	Patrick MORISSEAU (FRA)
FIA Race Director:	Michal MAREK (CZE)
FIA Series Development Co-ordinator:	Tony IDDON (GBR)
FIA Technical Delegate:	Frans STEILBERG (IRL)
Assistant to FIA Technical Delegate:	Constance METZNER (GER)
Speed Control, Lambda control:	Andrea PATTARO (ITA)
FIA Sporting Delegate:	Sina AMIRDIVANI (SUI)
FIA Sporting Co-ordinator:	Valentine PRIETO (SUI)

2. CHANGES TO THE CIRCUIT SINCE LAST EVENT:

2.1 None

3. CIRCUIT MAIN DATA:

3.1 Lap length centre line is 4,180 meters.
3.2 Race direction is clockwise.
3.3 Start and control (finish) lines are offset + 145 meters
3.4 Red flag line is virtual at the pit entry.
3.5 Pole position is on the LHS.
3.6 Pit entry is on the RHS after T12.
3.7 Pit lane speed limit is 60 kph.
3.8 Last point to re-establish the starting order during start/race resumption: intermediate 1 (white line by MP7.10)
3.9 Approach the start line zone is defined from P25 on the starting grid (highlighted by the orange boards on the both verges of the track) till the signal to the start is given.
3.10 Signal to start when all red lights are turned to GREEN.
3.11 Official notice board is virtual.
3.12 Scrutineering bay is RHS after the pit building.
3.13 Fire point is on the RHS after pit entry.
3.14 Fire extinguishers around the track are indicated by white boards with red extinguisher silhouette.
3.15 Race Director´s signalling place is on the RHS up to the Control line.
3.16 Access for mechanics to the grid is via openings in the pit wall.
3.17 Location of the FIA Race Director´s room: Module Sportif, 1st floor 110
3.18 Location of the Steward´s room: Module Sportif, 1st floor, room 112

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3.19 Location of the Race Control: Module Sportif, 1st floor

3.20 Medical services

- Emergency - public 112
- Nearest hospital +33 243 78 45 45
- Local medical centre +33 243 40 38 15

4. LEAVING THE TRACK AT T3

4.1 Any truck going straight at T3 and who misses T4 must stay to the right next to the gravel trap, it must re-join the track at the far end of the asphalt run-off area under the advertising bridge following the painted road on the asphalt.

4.2 This part of the run-off area is not considered as a part of the track, which means, the drivers on the track have a priority, no advantage may be gained by the driving through this escape road.



5. LEAVING THE TRACK AT T6

5.1 Any truck going straight at T6 must re-join the track by driving through paved run-off area with the safe speed.

5.2 Marshal at the MP6e will signalise to approaching drivers with the blue flag waved, there are trucks on the track approaching the re-joining point.

5.3 This paved part of the run-off area is not considered as a part of the track, which means, the drivers on the track have a priority.



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6. LEAVING THE TRACK IN T9

6.1 Any truck going straight at T9 and misses T10 must re-join the track by driving through the two rows of cones in the escape road, to the left of the first, to the right of the second and proceed safely to the race track.

6.2 This escape road is considered as not a part of the track, which means, the drivers on the track have a priority.

PART B: 2026 SEASON – GENERAL NOTES

7. STANDARD START PROCEDURE

7.1 At the three-minute signal, all drivers must be seated in their truck wearing all required safety equipment and the safety harness/window net etc. must be in place. Drivers are requested to start the engines with the presentation of this signal.

7.2 The Pace Truck will lead the grid on the green flag lap. Pole position truck must maintain a position of not more than 20 meters behind the pace truck and all other trucks must maintain a position not more than 5 trucks lengths from the row in front.

7.3 Drivers must keep station according to the dummy grid spacing during the green flag lap.

7.4 The pole man will control the speed, when the pace truck will extinguish its flashing yellow lights.

7.5 The drivers must approach the start line with CONSTANT speed between 70 and 90 kph, in an orderly and closed parallel formation and in two starting rows, under the control of the truck on the pole position. BEFORE THE SIGNAL TO THE START, ALL TRUCKS MUST MAINTAIN A POSITION IN LINE AS THE GRID SLOTS/BOXES PAINTED ON THE RACE TRACK ON THEIR SIDE OF THE GRID = TWO LINES.

7.6 Before the signal to the start a gap between each starting row shall remain 1 truck length.

7.7 Any breaching of these instructions might be considered as a false start and will be referred to the Stewards for their action.

8. WET START PROCEDURE

8.1 In the event of a wet track the Race Director reserves the right to declare a wet race and the start procedure will be as follows:

a) The Pace Truck will start with competitors behind and complete the normal green flag lap.

b) At the end of the green flag lap, if the Race Director considers to continue, the Pace Truck will extinguish its yellow lights and enter the pit lane, the yellow flags/yellow lights will be displayed. For race distance purposes this will be the first racing lap, OVERTAKING IS STRICTLY FORBIDDEN, pole man takes control of the speed.

c) Under the yellow conditions it must be evident that a driver has reduced speed; this means a driver is expected NOTICEABLY REDUCED SPEED AT ANY SECTION OF THE TRACK.

d) If at the end of this lap the Race Director considers to continue in racing, the green light will be shown at the control line and green flags will be waved on all marshal posts after the control line. Racing will commence FROM CONTROL LINE. OVERTAKING BEFORE THE CONTROL LINE IS FORBIDDEN.

9. FULL COURSE YELLOW

9.1 In certain circumstances and in the interest of the safety a full course yellow (FCY) may be used.

9.2 The radio/timing monitors will announce that FCY period will begin in 15 seconds.

9.3 15 seconds later FCY boards and yellow flags waved will be displayed. The maximum 70 kph speed limit during the FCY period and no overtaking will be applied from that moment.

9.4 Yellow flags will be displayed until the situation causing FCY period is resolved. Timing systems will not be stopped.

9.5 Deliberate slow driving will be reported to the Stewards.

9.6 It is not permitted to enter the pit lane unless for repairs and drive through penalties cannot be taken until a green situation is restored.

9.7 When the FCY situation finishes, the FCY boards and yellow flags will be withdrawn and immediately replaced by green flags. The green flags will be displayed at the same moment at ALL posts around the track. At this moment racing will re-commence and overtaking will be permitted.

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10. RED FLAG SITUATION
10.1 Maximum permissible speed after the stopping of a practice/qualifying session or suspending a race is basically 70 kph.

11. PADDOCK SAFETY
11.1 Maximum speed is limited to 5 kph.
11.2 A racing truck may only be driven by the driver or team member holding the appropriate drivers´ licence.
11.3 Whenever a truck is manoeuvring in or out of its team designated area or into pre-grid or out of Parc Fermé at least 2 mechanics should be with the truck and be positioned one front and one behind to ensure no pedestrians or obstacles are in danger or in the way. This includes any reversing or forward movement.

12. EXHAUST SMOKE/LAMBDA ISSUES
12.1 Once the driver has been informed by the black flag with an orange disc and/or the team is informed by radio or timing screens, he/she must stop at the pit lane at the end of the next lap at latest and the mechanics must do the adjustment.
12.2 For the avoidance of doubt, the mechanics must at least fully open the drivers'/passengers´ door when making adjustments.

13. FIA DEVICES
13.1 Any modification to or any attempt to disable or obstruct any FIA device installed on/in the vehicle is prohibited.
13.2 Any attempt to corrupt or delete data associated with any FIA device installed on/in the vehicle is prohibited.

14. LIGHT SIGNALS
14.1 Light panels will be used to form visual representations of all flags or other signals during the Competition.

Please note, these event notes are by no means comprehensive and should be read in conjunction with the FIA International Sporting Code, the Goodyear FIA ETRC Sporting regulations and the Supplementary regulations for the Event. Breaching instructions given to the drivers and competitors by this document will be considered as a failure to follow the instructions of the relevant officials for the safe and orderly conduct of the event (Art. 12.2.1.i) of the FIA ISC).

Michal MAREK
FIA Race Director

Appendix 1 – Circuit diagram



Appendix 2 – Pit lane diagram

