

# F4 SPANISH CHAMPIONSHIP SEASON 2023 (ROUND 5 ESTORIL)

From	The Formula 4 Race Director	<b>Event Notes</b>	v1
		Date	29 <sup>th</sup> Sept.2023
То	All Drivers, teams and Officials	Hour	17:30

# **EVENT NOTES**

## 1) Attachments

1.1. Track Map

1.2. Pitlane Map

# 2) Paddock and specific items

# 2.1 The Circuit

The Start Line is located 87 m in front of the Finish Control Line. The control Line (Timing) is situated at the Finish line. Pole position is located on the left-hand side of the starting grid.

# 2.2 Pit Lane speed limit

The pit lane speed limit is 60 km/h. Drivers are advised to switch on the pit lane speed limiter.

# 2.3 Entering the pit lane

Except in cases of force majeure (accepted as such by the Stewards), the crossing in any direction the solid white line separating the pit entry and the track by a car entering the pit lane is prohibited. The dotted line across the pit entry is the track edge. The pit lane starts by the speed limit board at the white line perpendicular to the pit lane entry.

#### 2.4 Practice starts

Practice starts may be carried out after the Pit Exit Lights and on the driver's RHS, near the guardrail. This is the only place we consider safe for this purpose. Don't forget to look at your mirrors. Only during free practice sessions.

#### **2.5 Sessions information**

The Free Practice 1 and 2, the Qualifying 1 and the Race 1 will take place on Saturday, and the Qualifying 2 and the Races 2 & 3, will take place on Sunday you have the timetable. The Race distance (Race 1 & 3, will be 30 minutes plus one lap, and the Race 2, will be 25 minutes plus one lap).

The F1 light system will show.

When the green lights are shown all competitors start the Formation Lap. Any competitor moving during the light sequence (starting procedure) will be referred to the Stewards (False Start).



# 2.6 Exiting the pit lane

The pit lane speed limit ends after Turn 1 at the pit exit road. The white line used to indicate the separation between cars leaving the pit lane and those driving on the track is the solid white line ending after Turn 1. This line must not be crossed by any part of a car leaving the pit lane.

# 2.7 Parc fermé

The parc fermé is located inside the garages (boxes).

# 3) Track and pit lane specific items

Please refer to the circuit map and the pit lane map attached to this document.

# 3.1 The pit lane map contains the following items:

- 3.1.1 Control /Finish Line
- 3.1.2 Chequered flag and penalty flags position will be given from the Timing/Finish line gantry.
- 3.1.3 Start line and start lights
- 3.1.4 Pit entry and pit exit, pit exit lights
- 3.1.5 Pit lane start and ending
- 3.1.6 Red flag line at the end of the Pit Lane
- 3.1.7 Safety car lines
- 3.1.8 Safety car position

#### 3.2 Track specific items

# 3.2.1 Clearing the grid during the start procedure

At the presentation of the 1 MIN signal, team members should evacuate the grid by exiting to the pit lane via the access gates.

# 3.2.2 Start of formation lap speed limit

Drivers should keep their speed at or below 60 km/h when leaving the designated grid positions until passing pole position. Drivers are advised to switch on the pit lane speed limiter before the start of the formation lap.

# 3.2.3 Starting procedure and start abort

The Start will be a Grand Prix Start. There will be a F1 system. No five seconds board, but 1, 2, 3, 4 and 5, red "Lights ON", & then "All Lights OFF".

In case the start is aborted:

- The yellow abort lights will flash
- The board "extra formation lap" will be displayed from the started platform.
- Some moments later the green lights, or flag, will be illuminated, or show, to signal the start of the extra formation lap.



# 3.2.4 Safety car lights off

When the Race Director calls the Safety Car in, the orange lights of the Safety Car will be switched off before Turn 12.

# 3.2.5 Suspension of the race

The first car entering the pit lane should stop in the fast lane at the end of the pit lane (red line painted on the asphalt).

# 3.2.6 Places to remove cars from the track

Openings on the line of first protection are marked with green paint

# 3.2.7 Fire extinguishers around the circuit

Indicated by white boards with an E, and red fire extinguisher image attached to the debris fences and barriers. Fire extinguishers are also available at all marshals' post.

# 4) Track lights panels

The flag signals will be supplemented by track light panels. In accordance with Appendix H to the ISC the light signals have the same meaning as flag signals.

#### 5) Safety car procedures

In order to avoid the likelihood of accidents before the safety car returns to the pits, from the point at which the lights on the car are turned out drivers must proceed at a pace which involves no erratic acceleration or braking nor any manoeuvre which is likely to endanger other drivers or impede the restart.



# 6) Any other business

#### 6.1 Driving behaviour

Competitors are reminded that more than one change of direction to defend a position is not permitted; weaving in front of another car neither is permitted. Any driver moving back towards the racing line, having earlier defended his position off- line, must leave at least one car width between his own car and the white line at the edge of the track.

**6.2** If you stop on the track for any reason leave the gearbox neutral engaged (N) and the steering wheel in position to facilitate the rescue work of the Marshall and to avoid damage to the vehicle.



## 6.3 Track Limits

The usable track limit has been defined as the track edge white line (annex L, ISC FIA) Track limits will be enforced all around the circuit. Drivers must respect the track limits.

# 7) Changes to the circuit

7.1 kerbs repainted

# 8) Miscellaneous

8.1 Five (5) minutes before the time scheduled for the opening of the Pit Lane exit, cars may go to the fast lane to make a queue. Any car in the queue must have its engine running and its driver ready to go to the track. (Art. 19.10 sporting regulations).

8.2 After exiting the pit lane during free practice and qualifying you are allowed to make manoeuvres to warm up tyres during that lap until you cross the finish line.

8.3 During the formation lap you are allowed to make manoeuvres to warm up tyres until your position on the grid.

8.4 Blowers are allowed if a driver has a stop and go penalty.

8.5 The timetable is the general version and the specific timetable indicated in the promoter's event notes . Please check the Sportity and timing screens during the meeting for possible schedule changes.

8.6 Drivers must not leave the car if they have suffered an incident on the track until instructed to do so by the marshals. This will assist in the rescue of the car.

#### 9) Stewards Inquiries

9.1 Any driver required to attend inquired held by the Stewards will be notified as follows:

• Any incident placed under investigation after the session will be shown on the timing screens.

• Where possible, a formal written summons will be issued to the team.

9.2 Any driver attending an inquiry must be accompanied by the Competitor's Representative.

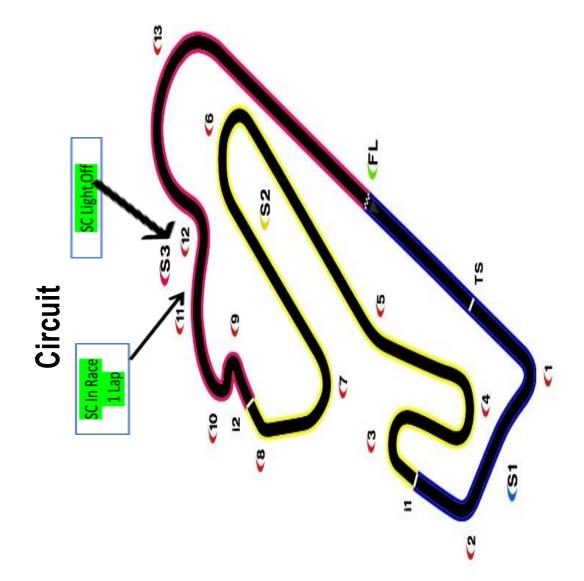
9.3 Protest and Appeal

a. Protests shall be made in accordance with the Code and a fee fixed by RFEDA at 1.000  $\in$ 

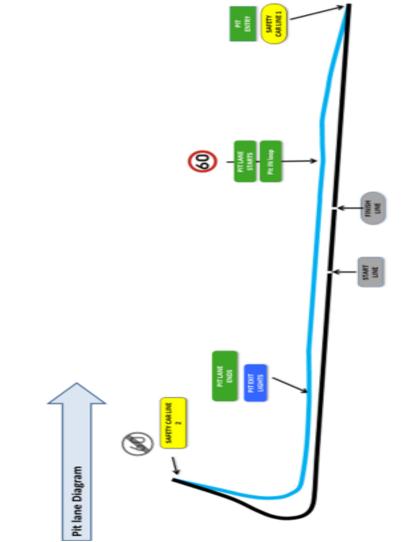
b. Appeals shall be made in accordance with the Code and a fee fixed by RFEDA at 2.500 €.

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# Pit lane information