



DRIVERS BRIEFING at 11:15 on Saturday in Garage 10b



Silverstone 9th & 10th April 2011

Welcome to Silverstone, rounds 1 & 2 of the Competition Car Insurance Ford Fiesta Championship.

- **CHAMPIONSHIP REGULATIONS & FINAL INSTRUCTIONS** These should have been read prior to attendance at the race meeting. If there are questions concerning these please ask the appropriate Clerk of the Course.
- Occupants of the pit garages are reminded that during any other qualifying session or race, their race cars must be totally inside the pit garage and all ancillary equipment cleared to the inside of the garage.
- For all sessions cars must report to the Assembly Area, which is located behind the Medical Centre and accessed via the roadway beside the Club Straight Bridge, it is the driver's responsibility to be at the Assembly Area on time, listen to paddock PA. For practice & qualifying the session will start when released. For the races released from Assembly Area to the grid please keep in grid position. **Practice starts & any weaving is forbidden.**
- The countdown will start when all cars in in the correct position with the 1 minute board then 30 second board, green flag will be waved for the start of the formation lap. **During the formation lap, practice starts & excessive weaving is forbidden.**
- The formation must be kept as tight as possible within reason & if it takes too long to complete, the clerk of the course may reduce the race time.
- Any drivers unable to start the Green Flag Lap or start are required to indicate their situation as & any drivers unable to maintain grid positions on the Green Flag Lap to the extent that all other cars are ahead of them, may complete the Green Flag Lap but **must** remain at the rear of the last row of the grid but ahead of any cars to be started with a time delay.
- Prior to the start, a five-Second Board will be shown to indicate that the Grid is complete. The red lights will be switched on five seconds after the board is withdrawn. **All cars must be straight on the grid.** Judges of fact will report any cars for out of position starts. Drivers, who deliberately take to the grass verges between the starting grid and Copse Corner in order to gain an advantage, will be penalized.
- With exception of officials, there may be **no** personnel on the Pit Wall for the start of the race.
- **A yellow flag &/or lights signals danger. They are primarily for the protection of the marshals & they must be observed. There are no reasons not to slow down or to keep your car under control under a yellow flag sector.** Silverstone use snatch vehicle so please check your towing eye.
- There is bound to be a speed differential during the practice/qualifying/race. Please observe the Blue Flags & watch your mirrors.
- The 2011 Competitors' & Officials' Year Book (Blue Book) is clear in stating "Manoeuvres liable to hinder other drivers such as premature direction changes on the straight, crowding cars towards the inside or the outside of the curve or any other abnormal change of direction are strictly prohibited...."
- CONTACT – motor sport is a NON CONTACT SPORT. Contact is dangerous. ALL reports of contact will be thoroughly investigated today or, if necessary after the weekend using video evidence. The full force of the M.S.A regulations will be enforced where appropriate.
- Standards of conduct must be maintained both on and off the track.
- **SAFETY CAR.** If required the Safety Car will be used. The Safety Car will be in the Pit Lane & if scrambled it will join the circuit via the **PIT EXIT (IT WILL ENDEAVOUR TO PICK UP THE LEADER).** Safety Car Regulations-Section Q, Appendix 2 in the 2011 competitors' & Officials' Year Book (Blue Book).
- Respect track limits **at all time.** Drivers must use the track at all times. For the avoidance of doubt: 2011 competitors' & Officials' Year Book (Blue Book) Q14.5 (a to d). **Anyone ignoring this instruction & reported risks possible penalties,** such as "Stop-Go, Drive Through or time added to your race time & if reported in Practice or qualifying all or some lap times may be disallowed.
- If you have a mechanical problem during the Practice/Qualifying/Race, leave the circuit as soon as it is safe to do so, especially if your car is losing oil & take instructions from official/marshal at all times & help them to push the car when required.
- Mandatory Video Camera (Championship Regulation 3.15 Page 9) **All car must be fitted with a working video camera at all times during practice/qualifying/race.** Failure to make available to the championship organiser the recorded session video on the memory card/method of video storage when requested will be deemed to be an obstruction and the facts reported to the clerk of the course. If the clerk of the course determines that there is no acceptable cause or reason not to make the memory card available to the championship organiser this will result in the competitor having any official time or race position nullified. **The clerk of the course may take video from other cars which are not involved in incidents at any time.**
- If possible please write your car number on to the memory card so it doesn't get lost.
- Parc Ferme. After the practice/qualifying/race, **all cars must** return to the Scutineering Bay where they will remain under Parc Ferme conditions. No stopping at pit garage or work on the cars **of any kind** permitted and no data transmission may be taken. Any infringement may lead to penalties.

I wish you a safe and successful meeting

Derek Stanley – Ford Fiesta Championship Clerk of the Course