# **Driver Briefing Instructions** Round 5 – Supercheap Auto Bathurst International



10 – 12 November 2023

- Issued: Thursday, 9 November 2023
- These notes are to be read in conjunction with the FIA International Sporting Code including Appendices (ISC), Motorsport Australia National Competition Rules (NCR), Circuit Race Standing Regulations (CRSR), 2023 Kumho V8 Touring Car Series Sporting Regulations, 2023 Kumho V8 Touring Car Series Driving Standards Guidelines, Supplementary and Further Regulations and any Bulletins issued for the event.

# **EVENT SPECIFIC INSTRUCTIONS**

Refer to attached circuit diagram for corner numbering reference.

## 2. Practice and Qualifying

- (a) The One (1) minute signal will be displayed at Pit Exit.
- (b) Session times will commence as Automobiles are released on to the circuit from Pit Exit; timed laps will commence when your Automobile first crosses the Control Line.
- (c) Any Automobile that does not leave the Pit Exit when the Automobiles are released may not be permitted to take part in that session.
- (a) Once the chequered flag has been displayed signalling the end of the session, slow and exit the circuit via Mountain Straight Gate located on DL after T1, travel along the top roadway, turn left at Paddock Gate C, enter the lower marshalling area then proceed directly (e.g. no stopping, including to take tyre pressures) to parc ferme/pit garages as directed.

### 3. Races

The standard Championship Standing start procedure shall apply except that:

- (b) The one (1) minute signal will be displayed at Pit Exit.
- (c) Automobiles will enter the circuit via Pit Exit and proceed on a reconnaissance lap to the grid.
- (d) Once the last Automobile stops on the grid, time permitting, there may be a short delay for interviews on the grid.
- (e) The Starter will show the 1 Minute Board, followed by the Green Flag to indicate the commencement of the Formation lap.
- (f) At the completion the Formation lap, there is to be no weaving or breaking of traction from Turn 23 to the Grid.
- (g) Once the chequered flag has been displayed signalling the end of the session, slow and exit the circuit via Mountain Straight Gate located on DL after T1, travel along the top roadway, turn left at Paddock Gate C, enter the lower marshalling area then proceed directly (e.g. no stopping, including to take tyre pressures) to parc ferme/pit garages as directed.

### 4. Pit lane

(a) Automobiles entering or exiting Pit Lane must do so in accordance with the Circuit Race Standing Regulations – Articles 6.4 and 6.5

### 5. Flag signals

(a) Black flag, Mechanical Black flag and Bad Sportsmanship flag may be displayed at the Flag Post on DR at Turn 19.2 as well as at the Control Line.

### 6. Yellow Lights

Yellow lights at Turns 6, 8 & 9 and Turns 10 & 11 act as a warning that a yellow flag, yellow & red striped flag or a white flag is being displayed between Turns 6 to 10 and Turns 10 to 18 respectively.

These lights are for information purposes only and have no regulatory value. If the lights are flashing each Driver must look to the flag points and respond to the flags being displayed.



# 7. Safety Car

The nominal location for "Safety Car" lights out will generally be as the Safety Car is approaching Flag Post 19.5.

The Safety Car will be positioned prior to the Pit Entry Road on Drivers Left during the Formation Lap.

### 8. Red Flags

During any practice and qualifying session:

- (a) If a Red Flag is displayed during Practice or Qualifying, each Driver is required to slow down immediately, all Automobiles must proceed to Pit Lane and park 45-degrees nose in to their allocated Pit Bay.
- (b) No Automobiles are to proceed to Pit Exit until instructed by the Race Director over RMC. During a Race:
  - (c) If a Red Flag is displayed during a Race each Driver is required to slow down immediately and will be instructed by the Race Director over RMC to proceed to either the Grid or the Pit Lane depending upon the circumstances.
  - (d) If instructed to proceed to the Grid, all Automobiles must line up single file from the control line back.
  - (e) If instructed to proceed to Pit Lane, all Automobiles must lime up single file at Pit Exit.

### 9. Exceeding Track Limits

All sessions will be monitored for exceeding track limits at T12 (refer circuit diagram). Penalties for adjudged kerb infringements and short cutting which will not be subject to Appeal are: During any practice and qualifying session:

(a) That lap time will be disallowed.

During a race:

- (b) First breach will result in no Penalty;
- (c) Second breach will result in a bad sportsmanship flag;
- (d) Third breach will result in a Penalty, to be determined by the Stewards.

#### **10. Circuit Specific Information**

- The Finish line (Control line) is approximately 150 meters prior to the Start Line.
- Repeater Start Lights are located on DR at Grid Row 8 and the overpass.
- If you break down on the circuit, attempt to find a safe position off the racing surface for your Automobile and if it is safe to do so, leave the Automobile and proceed to a safe position behind the safety barrier. If the safest position is in the Automobile, remain in the Automobile wearing all safety equipment. In all situations, please indicate to the closest flag point that you are OK, with a thumbs up.

#### Kangaroo Risk Zones

- The sections of track where it is most likely that kangaroos may enter the circuit are turns 2 to 4 and turns 18 to 19.5. If kangaroos enter the circuit or are observed near the track the following signals will be displayed;
  - **Single waved yellow** kangaroos adjacent to the barriers and are considered likely to enter the circuit
  - o **Double waved yellows** kangaroo/s have entered the circuit

#### 11. General

In the event of an Automobile fire, drivers are reminded to take all reasonable measures to deactivate the Automobile electrics and activate the on-board fire suppression system (where fitted) as soon as possible.

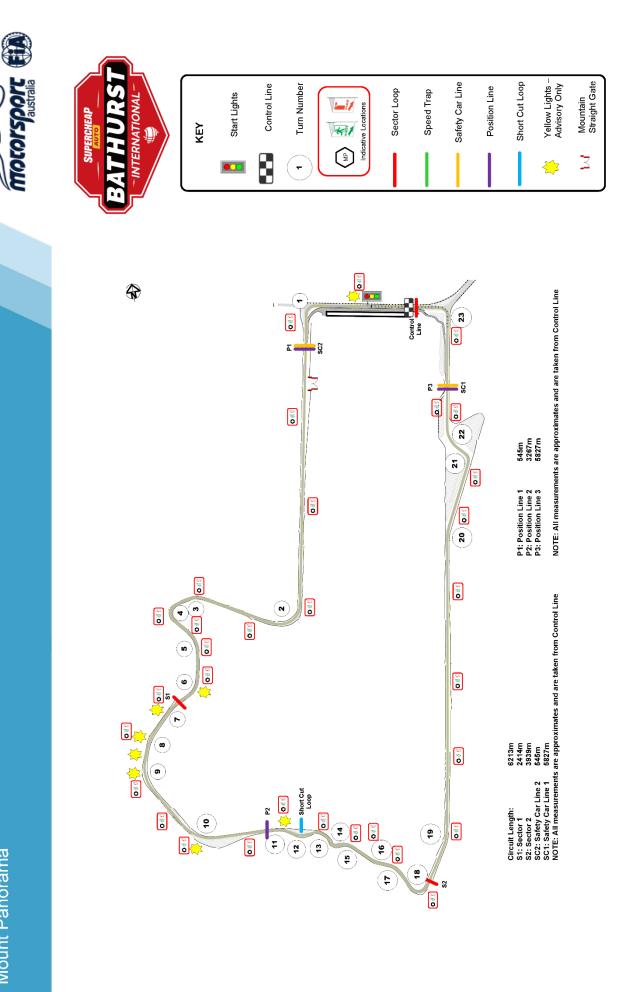
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