

Bentley Drivers Club Ltd



Silverstone Race Meeting

Saturday 12th August 2023

Final Instructions

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This meeting is organised by the Bentley Drivers Club.

Held under the General Regulations of Motorsport UK (incorporating the provisions of the International Sporting Code of the FIA). These Final Instructions should be read in conjunction with any further instructions or bulletins issued by the organisers.

Motorsport UK permit number 131332 (Interclub).

1. ACCESS:

Will be by personnel passes, sent to your email address by Silverstone Circuits Ltd.

Entry passes: 4 per entrant. Extra passes will not be issued.

Paddock vehicle passes may be issued; private cars may need to be separated from the competitor paddock. You must park where indicated on the paddock plan or move to the overflow area if your allocated area is full. Competitors' overnight camping on the Friday is allowed in the paddock under your own risk. Absolutely no animals allowed at the venue.

Paddock Opening Hours, Friday	19:00 – 23:00
Paddock Opening Hours, Saturday	06:00
No Racing Engines Run Before & No Paddock PA Before	08:45
No Racing Engines Run After & No Paddock PA After	18:00
Track Activity Starts From & Circuit PA From	09:00
Track Activity Stops & Circuit PA Stops At	18:00
Paddock to be vacated by	19:00

2. MEDICAL and HEALTH:

The fully staffed medical centre is open throughout the event, primarily in case of serious injuries to competitors. Therefore, please can you all bring your own first-aid kits to treat very minor injuries.

3. DRIVER CONTACT NUMBER:

All drivers must have a working mobile phone at the event so that officials can contact them in the paddock.

4. ENTRY AMENDMENTS:

Please inform the Secretary of the Meeting immediately via e-mail competitions@bdcl.org if you know of any errors on the entry list. The latest entry list can be found on the Club's [Virtual Notice Board](#).

5. DRIVER/VEHICLE CHANGES:

A change of driver and/or vehicle (but not both) can be made by application in writing to the Secretary of the Meeting via e-mail: competitions@bdcl.org in accordance with Motorsport UK Regulations [D25.1.12.].

6. VIRTUAL NOTICE BOARD, BULLETINS AND AMENDMENTS:

Entry lists, paddock/garage plan, timetable, commentators' sheet and all bulletins, qualifying times, grid positions, race results, pit-stop regulations and any judicial decisions will be available to view on the Club's [Virtual Notice Board](#). There will be no printed results. In-depth timings will be available on the [TSL Timing website, Event Details - Bentley Drivers Club : Timing Solutions Ltd. \(tsl-timing.com\)](#)

7. SIGN-ON:

A sign-on period is available on Friday 11th August 2023 from 15:00 to 18:00 on a first come, first served basis at the Club's Hog Roast held in the BRDC Suite.

On the Saturday, sign-on will take place in Administration Office at the rear of the Scrutineering Bay at the times listed in the official timetable. Please remember to bring all documents required. In pit-stop races, two-driver teams will be asked who is driving first in both qualifying and the race. PLEASE decide this in advance and stick to your decision.

8. SCRUTINEERING, VIDEO, and RADIOS:

There is no scrutineering available on the Friday.

Scrutineering will take place in the Scrutineering Bay at the time listed in the official timetable. Any in-car video equipment must be fitted to the vehicle prior to qualifying. The Club/venue have the right to retain video footage. The use of pits to car/car to pits radios is permitted in pit-stop races at this meeting, but users must have an appropriate licence and it be made available for inspection by a scrutineer if requested.

9. ENVIRONMENTAL CHECKS:

Will be carried out at the entrance to the Assembly area prior to any track session.

Under Silverstone Contract, the Static test is 105db, 102bd on drive-by. Competitors are referred to Motorsport UK regulation J5.17, J5.18 that will apply at this meeting.

10. TRANSPONDERS:

All competitors are required to use an AMB/MyLaps 260 or equivalent MyLaps X2 model, either direct powered or battery transponder. If you have not indicated on your entry form that you need to rent a transponder this MUST NOW be done via the TSL website store, [Buy Racing Transponders Online :: Timing Solutions Ltd. \(tsl-timing.com\)](#). All orders must be received by 18:00 Wednesday 9th August.

11. DRIVERS BRIEFING(s):

If this is your first ever race or first race at the Silverstone National Circuit, a Motorsport UK Clerk will provide you with a separate briefing in Race Control at 08:00 and 09:30.

12. GARAGE & PADDOCK ALLOCATION:

Garages and the paddock will be pre-allocated – please keep to them. See [Virtual Notice Board](#). Please be considerate of your fellow competitors.

Garage doors to the pit lane must be kept closed, and only used when your session is active. To get to the Assembly area you must use the rear doors of the garages to the paddock. You may re-enter the garages through the pit lane at the end of your qualifying or race, unless otherwise directed. Fire lanes are clearly marked in the paddock and must always be always kept clear for access.

13.PITS / PIT LANE:

The pit-lane speed limit is 60kph. Two wristbands will be issued to each competitor at sign-on, allowing access to the pit wall. In the FISCAR and Equipe Classic races all pit stops must be actioned in the area from the Pit Office (7a) to Pit Exit (12e) only.

No person under the age of 16 is allowed in the pit lane or pit garages. No smoking or vaping and no refuelling may take place in the pit lane and the riding of motorcycles is forbidden. The penalty box is at the foot of Race Control.

Pit lane exit: Competitors must not exit the pit lane when the red light at the pit exit is illuminated.

14.FLAG SIGNALS:

Signal light panels are placed at strategic parts of the circuit to supplement flag signals. These signal lights carry the same authority and jurisdiction as flag signals.

In the case of a red flag during practice or qualifying all cars must:

- a. slow down
- b. be prepared to stop and
- c. enter the pit lane.

In the case of a red flag during a race all cars must:

- a. slow down
- b. be prepared to stop and
- c. stop towards the rear of the grid, to leave room for the manoeuvring of cars into their correct positions for the restart by marshals.

If a race is stopped and it is not possible to re-run it within its allocated time schedule, it may be transferred to the end of the programme if time permits. Also, irrespective of Q5.4, the Clerk of the Course reserves the right NOT to restart any race should a race stop become necessary.

15.STOPPING ON TRACK:

Should you stop on track it is vital to give a 'thumbs up' signal to a marshal to indicate you believe you are in good health and can exit the car to a place of safety without their assistance. Then move yourself to a position of safety.

If you have a disability or impairment that may hamper your ability to exit a vehicle without assistance, please notify the Entries Secretary at the earliest opportunity.

16.TRACK LIMITS:

Drivers must use the track at all times and may not leave the track without a justifiable reason. For the avoidance of doubt:

- a) The white lines defining the edges are considered to be part of the track.
- b) A driver will be adjudged to have left the track if any part of the contact patch of the tyre goes beyond either the outer edge of any kerb or the white line where there is no kerb.

Breaches may be penalised as follows:

- a) In qualifying: the lap on which the breach occurred should be disallowed and noted on the result sheet.

b) During races: the following scale of penalties will be applied:

1st report: no penalty

2nd report: warning flag

3rd report: 5-second penalty added to race time

4th report: a further 10-second penalty added to race time

5th report: drive-through penalty in addition to the preceding time penalties

6th report: black flag.

Care should be taken to ensure that all signals (flag and board) have been displayed to the driver concerned before moving up the penalty scale. All penalties applied should be noted upon the result sheet.

17.SAFETY CAR:

A Safety Car may be used in all practice and race sessions as per Q Appendix 2 of the Yearbook.

The Safety Car will enter the track via the pit exit and exit the track via the pit entry.

18.QUALIFYING:

All drivers will be required to bring their cars to the Assembly area 20 minutes before their qualifying time. A competitor must either complete three laps or have raced over the course during the previous 12 months. If the three laps are not completed in the allocated session, they may, with the consent of the Clerk of the Course, be completed in a suitable alternative session (if space is available and suitable) but only the times recorded in the proper session will be used to determine grid position. Cars practising wholly out of session will not be timed, will be required to strike out their number with tape and will be required to start from the back of the grid.

The qualifying session will cease when the chequered flag is shown at the start line.

Competitors should proceed around the circuit to the pit lane entry and follow instructions of marshals and/or officials.

Grid positions are determined by times set in qualifying except:

Morgan race 2 – which will be determined by the result of its first race.

Bentley Handicap race – by the handicapper.

19.RACE START:

Standing start: a one-minute board and 30-second board will be shown in the Assembly area, and cars will then be released onto the formation lap. On returning to the grid, once all cars are stationary the five-second board will be shown and the red lights will be displayed. At some time between two and seven seconds the red lights will be switched off signalling the start of the race.

Bentley Handicap (pit-lane start): Cars will be released from the Assembly area straight into the pit lane and drive down to the pit exit. Please remain in start order, single file, keep your engine running and do not get out of your cars. Cars will be started singly with the drop of the Union Flag; this will continue until all cars are released. When the car in front has started you must move forward to the start control line and STOP. Rolling starts are not permitted.

20.RACE END:

At the end of the race, indicated by a chequered flag, all cars will complete one slowing down lap, enter the pit lane and return to the paddock or follow officials' or marshals' instructions. The race winner is required to stop at Garage 3a and follow instructions to collect their garland and be interviewed.

21.JUDICIAL and RACE CONTROL:

Motor racing is a non-contact sport. If you have experienced or witnessed any incident, please contact the Motorsport UK Clerks in Race Control within 30 minutes of the end of that track session.

22.AWARDS:

Garlands will be presented at the end of each race at the rear of Garage 3a. There will be no group prize giving. Awards will be given out later at the BDC Competitions Day at the BDC Clubhouse.

23.OFFICIALS:

Motorsport UK Steward: David Williams

Event Stewards: Mike Cartwright, Geoff Edwards, Douglas Paterson

Secretary of the Meeting: Robert Williams, 07519 716887

Senior Clerk of the Course: Andy Cox

Clerks of the Course: Mike Heath, Peter Ritchie

Chief Medical Officer: SCL – TBA

Chief Marshal: Neil Williams

Chief Scrutineer: Alan Terry

Environmental Scrutineer: Dave Jones

Chief Timekeeper: Peter Knight

Handicapper: TSL –TBA

24.OTHER INFORMATION:

Due to certain clauses in our contract with Silverstone Circuits Ltd, your attention is drawn to the following:

- Any driver failing to comply with the black and orange flag and whose vehicle is confirmed as having dropped fluid shall be responsible for any charges made on the organising club in respect of consequent track repairs. Furthermore, any competitor who fails to stop when dropping fluid may cause the practice session or race to be stopped using the red flag.
- Persons not in possession of a valid appropriate licence may not drive motorcycles and other vehicles within the confines of the circuit. Motorcycles/cycles may not be driven along the pit lane at any time during the meeting.
- Markings must not be made on pit garages, floors or any part of the circuit or paddock surface. Pegs must not be hammered or inserted into any tarmac surface.

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- The circuit operator and the Club are not liable for any damage in the course or removal of any vehicle from the circuit.
- The flying of drones is strictly prohibited.
- Should the Bentley Drivers Club, as organisers of the meeting, become liable for any circuit fine (regardless of amount) and the cost of any repair, the offender may be held responsible and in consequence will have to reimburse Bentley Drivers Club for the full amount plus any legal costs that may be incurred. By signing-on for this meeting you are also deemed to be unequivocally agreeing to this arrangement.
- The competitor agrees that no hospitality, including the holding of barbecues, takes place within the venue and during the event without the Company's prior written consent. Hospitality is defined as any form of catering provided to persons who are not team members or sponsors. Teams found violating this condition will be subject to pay immediately liquidated damages to the Company.
- In addition, no team or competitor should attach, erect or install anywhere at the circuit any placard, banner, advertisement, etc, without prior written permission.
- Any cables laid across the paddock must be covered with a proprietary cable cover.
- Tail lifts must not be left unattended in the 'mid' position. It is strongly recommended that extended tail lifts are fitted with warning lights.

EXTRA INFORMATION

Friday Entertainment



Competitors' Hog Roast and Pit Party

Friday 11th August

As usual we are holding our evening Hog Roast and Pit Party, from 19:00 in the BRDC Suite. The bar will be open, but you may wish to bring your own liquid refreshments. Everyone is cordially invited to come along – all we ask is that you advise us by e-mail at noel.trewhela@bdcl.org stating how many of you plan to attend. A donation container will be available if you would like to contribute toward the cost.

Please bring the invite with you so we know who you are.

Robert Williams, Secretary of the Meeting, 13:00hrs, 4th August 2023.