<u>CCRC Howard's Race Day 21st April 2025 – Bulletin 3</u> 500 Owners Association - Qualifying, Rolling Start ,Safety Car and Red Signals Procedure

Qualifying

Qualifying results set the grid for both races.

Rolling Start Procedure

Cars line up in qualifying grid position, and then drive out onto the circuit under green flag conditions.

The fastest two competitors assume the role of controlling the pack (unless a Lead Car is provided) giving as much time as is reasonable during the green flag lap for all competitors to leave the assembly area and move into their grid order position, which may necessitate competitors overtaking fellow competitors to get themselves into the correct grid position for the rolling start.

Penalties should not be applied to cars overtaking to reach their correct position on the starting grid.

Competitors to be given a full green flag lap.

The pack will then approach the start line in 2nd gear and if the C o C is happy, the lights will go out (or flag drop) and racing commences. If the C o C is unhappy with the pack, the lights will stay on (or flag will not be dropped) and the pack continues around the circuit for a second green flag lap.

Safety Car

Safety Car is available for both qualifying and the races.

This is to help the C o C maintain (If deemed safe to do so) cars running on circuit rather than deploying Red Signals which will cause considerable time delay if cars stop on track. This is because they do not have self-starters and require team members to assist in their re-starting. Being air cooled, our cars can only run stationary for a few minutes before having to be shut down to avoid overheating.

Red Signals Procedure

Because our cars do not carry onboard starters, starting is by means of a powered external starter operating on a drive wheel with the car in a jacked-up position.

This requires assistance from a team member and heavy starting kit. Because of this, the safest option is for the cars to return to the pit lane where both the starting equipment and team members can readily access the area without the need to go onto the race circuit.

From here the cars can be safely restarted and with the minimum of delay to the event timetable.

This suggestion is preferable to our cars being stopped on circuit and then having no means of being restarted, leading to teams having to go onto the circuit to restart the cars which could then lead to long delays and a knock-on impact to the event timetable.