

Brands Hatch
Mini Festival
2nd - 3rd August 2025

Bulletin 2 - Mini Spares 50th Anniversary Race – Pit Stop Rules and Regulations

The onus shall be on all teams and drivers to ensure safe working practices are adhered to (in line with the event supplementary regulations) in the Pit Lane.

1. Mandatory Pit Stop

- 1.1 All teams/drivers must complete a mandatory pit stop during the Race, within the designated pit window.
- 1.2 The mandatory pit stop must be a minimum of 76.6 seconds, timed from pit entry to pit exit.
- 1.3 Pit stops should take place on the apron in front of the garage that has been allocated for each team and driver.
- 1.4 Refuelling is not permitted during Qualifying or the Race.
- 1.5 In all cases seat belts must not be loosened or unfastened before the car comes to a complete stop, and must be securely fastened, along with FHR systems, before the car moves off.
- 1.6 The outer lane(s) of the Pit Lane are to be kept unobstructed to allow safe passage of cars at all times.
- 1.7 It is not permitted to drive a car in the Pit Lane by using reverse gear at any time under any circumstances.
- 1.8 The Pit Lane speed limit is 60kph, unless otherwise specified in the Final Instructions/Event Bulletin.
- 1.9 It is not permitted to cross the solid white blend line at the exit of the Pit Lane.
- 1.10 It is not permitted to exit the Pit Lane while the Pit Lane exit light is red.

2. Pit Window

- 2.1 The mandatory pit stop window will open at 10 minutes into the race, and will close at 20 minutes into the race.
- 2.2 Should the Safety Car be in operation, or called into operation, during the pit stop window, the Pit Lane entry will be closed for the duration of the Safety Car period.
- 2.3 In all instances where the Safety Car has been in operation during the pit stop window, the pit window will remain open until the end of the race.
- 2.4 If a team/driver is already conducting their mandatory pit stop when the Safety Car is deployed, they will be permitted to complete their pit stop in full, and re-join the race under the guidance of the normal Pit Lane exit light signal.

3. Penalties

- 3.1 Failure to make the mandatory pit stop within the designated pit window - 1 lap penalty
- 3.2 Failure to complete the required 76.6 second mandatory pit stop - 1 lap penalty
- 3.3 Failure to make a mandatory pit stop - Disqualification
- 3.4 Exceeding the Pit Lane speed limit - Stop Go Penalty
- 3.5 Refuelling during an active session - Disqualification
- 3.6 Crossing the solid white blend line at Pit Lane exit - Drive Through Penalty
- 3.7 Exiting the Pit Lane while the Pit Lane exit light is red - Black Flag
- 3.8 Entering the Pit Lane during the Safety Car Period – 1 lap penalty
- 3.9 Unable to make mandatory pit stop due to race finishing under Safety Car deployment – 2 lap penalty

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