



Race-Specific Briefing Notes
MSVT Miata Trophy
Brands Hatch, 15th November Clerk of the Course: Ian Denyer

Welcome to this MSVR race meeting at Brands Hatch.

These notes are intended to supplement the online season briefing notes.

1. For all sessions you will be required to go to the assembly area, which is situated at the far end of the GP Paddock. Please arrive in plenty of time for noise checking and parking in the correct position.
Please remain in your vehicle in the assembly area.
2. **Qualifying & Race start procedure:** For qualifying, when released from the assembly area, turn right into the pit lane. Once the circuit is ready, you will be released onto the track.
For the race, you will be released onto the track, to make your way at an appropriate speed to the grid. No practice starts. Please follow the marshals directions.
Anyone who turns right in to the pit lane will become a pit lane starter.
3. **The Grid** for the race will be based on qualifying times; the races will be a standing start. To clarify, guest entries will start at the back of the grid, regardless of qualifying times, as stipulated in the regulations.
4. There will be a countdown followed by 1 green flag lap. The race will start at the end of the green flag lap once the grid is formed. The 5 second board will be displayed, followed shortly after by the red lights being turned on. When the red lights are switched off at the start line and the repeater lights drivers left part way down the grid, the race starts (if there is a failure of the lights the starter will use the national flag).
5. Please note, the start line location is before the finish line location.
6. **End of session/race:** Complete a full lap and then make your way to parc ferme.
7. **Track Limits:** Please respect track limits, which will be monitored from both trackside and race control via the sensors.
8. **Cameras:** these must work for both qualifying and the race. Can you please make sure you clean down the cards before each session.
9. **Live snatch:** There will be no live snatch this weekend. Any vehicle needing recovering during a session will need the use of the safety car.



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10. **Light/Flag signals:** As per the latest edition of the NCR's, light signals take precedence over flag signals where present. Both light signals and flag signals have the same meaning and requirements. We will not accept a driver claiming not to have seen a light or flag signal as an excuse for not applying the relevant penalty.
11. **Safety Car:** If the Safety Car boards and yellow flags have been displayed, and you are the leader – slow down and create a space between you and the car in front for the safety car to pull into. This will save the need to run extra laps in order to have the lead car at the front for the restart.
12. **Safety Car restarts:** All drivers need to be aware of where the restart line is. It is **not** where you lined up for the start of the race. It **is** the control line used by the time keepers for timing, it **is** the finish line, it **is** the line used for issuing flag signals. This is forward of the start line.
If you overtake before the line, then it's a potential drive through/stop go penalty in race or disqualification for over taking under yellow flags. So, if you are unsure of which line is the control line – ask before the race.
If you are a slow and/or inexperienced driver and you want to get out of the way of other competitors for the restart, you need to come in to the pit lane and drive straight through – complying with the pit exit lights. You must not pull over/slow to let other competitors past as the other competitor will end up getting penalised. However, if it is shown you caused the overtake, you are liable to receive a penalty yourselves!
13. **Contact:** In addition to the usual requirement for no contact, please, no contact to aid you lap times in addition to any other contact!
14. **Guest drivers:** Please do not interfere in any championship battles. As a reminder, anyone considered to have gained an unfair advantage (whether inadvertently or not) can incur a time penalty of up to 1 minute, or up to 10 place penalty. Ref C2.3.
15. The perceived "Racing Line" only occurs in reality in two instances. The first, and not relevant to this weekend is in simulators. The second, and relevant to this, and other race weekends, only occurs when you are on track alone. At any other time, especially when you are practicing/qualifying/racing close to someone, then, you need to adjust you racing line to avoid contact. If someone is alongside you, they will not disappear so that you can use the perceived racing line. You will both need to make allowances for the other



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vehicle, so that you both remain safe on track and not making contact with each other.

Have a good days' racing!

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