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**HKMC 2018** 

**SPORTING REGULATIONS** 

1. STATUS OF THE EVENT

National Car Race Series of 2018, event organized / promoted by HKAA. All the participating parties such as organizers, Promoter and competitors undertake to apply as well as observe the National rules governing the event.

#### 2. TITLE

Individual event as detailed in the Supplementary Regulation.

## 3. ORGANIZER & PROMOTER HKAA

#### **RACE COMMITTEE & OFFICIALS** 4. : Kenneth NG ,Ringo LEE ,Sam HUI, Alec CHENG, Race Committee Julian CHEUNG Stewards of the meeting : To be appointed by the Race Committee and the **HKAA Motor Sport Council** Race Officials: Race Director To be appointed by Circuit(s) Clerk of the Course To be appointed by Circuit(s) Chief Scrutineer To be appointed by Circuit(s) Jimmie POON Secretary of the Meeting Chief Observer To be appointed by Circuit(s) Judge(s) of Fact To be appointed by Circuit(s) Safety Officer To be appointed by Circuit(s) **Rescue Officer** To be appointed by Circuit(s) To be appointed by Circuit(s) Chief Pit Marshal Chief Timing Officer To be appointed by Circuit(s)

#### NATIONAL SPORTING AUTHORITY HKAA

#### 5. GENERAL UNDERTAKING

All drivers, competitors and officials participating in the series undertake, on behalf of themselves, their employees and agents, to observe all the provisions as supplemented or amended of the National Sporting Code, the series Technical Regulations and the present Sport Regulations.

It is the competitor's responsibility to ensure that all persons concerned by his entry observe all the requirements of the code, the Technical Regulations and the Sporting Regulations; if an entrant is unable to be present in person at the Event he must nominate his representative in writing. The person having changed of an entered car during any part of an event is responsible jointly with the competitor for ensuring that the requirements are observed. Competitors must ensure that their cars comply with the conditions of eligibility and safety throughout practice and the race.

The presentation of a car for scrutineering will be deemed an implicit statement of conformity. All persons concerned in any way with an entered car or present in any other capacity whatsoever in the paddock, pits, pit lane or track must wear an appropriate pass supplied by the organizer at all times.

### 6. ELIGIBLE ENTRANTS AND DRIVERS

- Entrant any licensed incorporated body or individual may enter, subject to driver and car eligibility.
- Driver all drivers holding valid competition license with a current medical certificate issued by the sporting authority from the Country concerned.

#### 7. ELIGIBLE CARS

Refer to the Supplementary Regulations concerning the series. For detail specification for each class please refer to Technical Regulation concerned.

#### 8. TYPE OF MEETING

National Car race meeting approved by National Sporting Authority held under the FIA International Sporting Code (ISC), Hong Kong National Competition Rules (NCR) together with these Regulations and any bulletins, supplementary regulations and/or final instructions issued by the Race Committee.

#### 9. DESCRIPTION OF COMPETITIONS.

Motor Car Race with a maximum distance or time in the case of Endurance event specified in the supplementary regulation concerning the event.

For sprint race, time for each race is maximum 30 minutes. If the leading driver has not achieved the defined race distance after 30 minutes elapsed, the leading car will be shown the checker flag at the next time he/she passes the finish line. In this case, notification of the last lap will be advised to competitors by showing the last lap board on the start/finish line. The finish line applies both the track and the pit lane.

#### 10. AWARDS

- 10.1 Allocation of points to the driver please refers to the series concerned.
  - 10.1.1 Trophies will be presented to the top three finishers of each class within the event.
  - 10.1.2 All points scored will count toward the championship, for details please refer to the series' supplementary regulations.
  - 10.1.3 In the event of a tie between two or more competitors, the number of highest number of win achieved by the competitors involved will be used to determine the overall placing in the final standing. Should a tie still exist, the driver who had the first win shall be declared the winner.
- 10.2 Awards for the Championship
  - 10.2.1 Trophies shall be awarded to the first 3 drivers after the finish of the series.

#### 11. PENALTIES

In addition to penalties imposed by the Clerk of Course / Stewards of the Meeting as per ISC and NCR, the following shall apply and will be payable to the event organizer.

- 11.1 For any illegal modification of engine fine of HK\$8, 000 for each and every offence.
- 11.2 For any overtaking under yellow flag:
  - 11.2.1 During race, 30 seconds will add to the total race time for each reported offence.
    - 11.2.2 During qualify session, 30 secs to be added to the best qualifying time.
    - 11.2.3 During practice session, competitor will be fine for HK\$1,500 for each reported offence.
- 11.3 Jump start, 30 seconds will be add to the total race time for a reported offence. Race committee considers the following actions constituted a jump start:
  - Car (any part of the body) stopped on/or crossed the grid front white line.
  - Any movement of car when the red light is on for the race start.

#### 12. ENTRIES

- 12.1 Entry must be submitted before the closing date which will be announced in the bulletin before the event. Two copies of photographs for driver and each of the four crew-members must be attached to each entry form.
- 12.2 Entry fee is non-refundable (as per Art 13), entry detail please refer to each series' supplementary regulation.
- 12.3 Competitors requiring shipping of car should contact organizer for shipping arrangement and schedule. Any entrant want to ship on their own schedule or extra item must contact HKAA for special arrangement and cost. Shipping cost is the entrant's responsibility.
- 12.4 All entries should be posted to or delivered in person to HKAA.

#### 12.5 Acceptance and Refusal of Entries.

All entries received will be considered by the Race Committee, having regard to the suitability of the car and the nominated driver. The Race Committee may refuse to accept an entry, or car, or driver without assigning a reason and their decision will be final. Where an entry is not accepted, the entrant will be advised by the Competitor Liaison Officer or the Secretary of the Meeting four days before the event and the fee will be returned in full. The Race Committee may consider entry submitted after the cut off date with a penalty of additional 30% of entry fee.

12.6 Change of Entries.

A change of car (but not of entrant or driver) will be permitted up to close of scrutineering. The proposed substitute car must comply fully with the regulations. Change for a car that is already entered in another race must have prior approval from the Race committee.

#### 12.7 Change of Driver

Change of driver for the events enter will only be allowed before official qualifying session and to be approved by the Stewards of the Meetings, an administrative fee of HK\$1,000 will be charged to the entrant.

Notwithstanding the above, the Stewards of the Meeting reserves the right to permit by proposition of the Clerk of the Course/Race Director a late change of car or driver, provided they are satisfied that there is adequate justification. The decision of the Stewards shall be final.

#### 13. POSTPONEMENT, ABANDONMENT OR CANCELLATION

The Organizing Committee reserves the right to postpone, abandon or cancel the Meeting or part thereof. In the event of abandonment, cancellation or postponement before the start of the event entry fees will be refunded in full. If the event started as per the published Provisional Program, no entry fees will be returned in part or in full. The Entrant and or Competitor will have no right of claim against the Promoters or Organizing Committee in respect of any prize moneys or loss of expenses that he may have incurred or may incur as a result.

#### 14. PROTESTS APPEAL AND ENQUIRIES

- 14.1 Protests as to the validity of any entry, qualification of competitor or driver shall be lodged at the latest by 6 pm on Thursday of the event.
- 14.2 Protests over mechanical details must be precise. Cost of dismantling as consequent to a protest of this nature shall be paid by the Entrant making the protest, if his protest is not upheld, or the Entrant of the vehicle being protested, if it is upheld.
- 14.3 A protest as to the make up of grid shall be lodged at least one hour before the time set down for the start of the competition entered.
- 14.4 A protest against any mistake or irregularity occurring while a competition is taking place shall be made no later than 30 minutes after the publication of result or, within such further time as the Stewards of the Meeting may think justifiable in order to make the lodging of the protest physically possible.
- 14.5 All protests must be made in writing by the Entrant and delivered to the Event Secretary in the Track Office, for transmission to the Clerk of the Course within the time prescribed above. The protest bond of HK\$3,000 in cash must accompany each protest. In the event of a technical protest, a bond of HK\$10,000 in cash for specific part of the vehicle and each protest will only cover one specific item; appeal fee is HK\$20,000 in cash.
- 14.6 Inquiries may be made to the Secretary of the Meeting on the appropriate form; the organizer will endeavor to answer them as quickly as possible.
- 14.7 Inquiries related to results or awards will not be entertained later than 30 minutes after posting of results on the official notice aboard.

#### 15. INTERPRETATION AND PENALTIES

- 15.1 The interpretation of the regulations, including any bulletins and final instructions, and the choice of sanctions where the present regulations have not automatically stipulated these, falls to the Stewards of the Meeting, upon the majority vote of those present. The decisions of the Stewards shall be final, except for the right of appeal as provided in the NCR.
- 15.2 All decisions concerning a time penalty or exclusion of drivers or vehicles from races and taken by the Stewards of the Meeting shall be announced promptly and in writing to

the entrants and to the Pit Marshals.

- 15.3 Should a car be excluded from a race, the driver of the incriminated vehicle shall also be warned by signals. For this purpose, the black flag with race number of the driver shall be shown on three consecutive laps by the Race Official at Start/Finish line. The Entrant or his representative is also expected to show the driver his own 'stop' signal from the Timing Pits. If the driver does not stop, additional sanctions may be taken.
- 15.4 The fact that certain sanctions are mentioned in the regulations does not prevent sanctions or additional sanctions being applied by the Stewards of the Meeting if this is considered necessary.

## **APPENDIX A**

- 1 VEHICLE TRANSPORTATION BETWEEN HONG KONG AND CIRCUIT
  - 1.1 The Organizer will try to arrange transportation to and from Hong Kong for those competing car that conform to the transportation schedule, which will be issued in the final instructions. Entrants are advised to comply with the schedule, as it is very difficult to make individual arrangements.
  - 1.2 The carriage of gasoline on the lighters whether in fuel tanks or in containers, is prohibited. Any car found to be carrying gasoline would be refused transportation.
  - 1.3 The Organizer will arrange Import/Export requirements with the Customs Department for entrants who comply with the transportation schedule. No responsibility will be accepted for vehicles transported by other means.
  - 1.4 Entrants must stipulate, on the Entry Form, whether they will use the Organizer's transportation facilities. They must also provide the Engine and Chassis numbers for Import/Export documentation.
  - 1.5 The Organizer will not take out Insurance for vehicles transportation.
- 2. Scrutineering
  - 2.1 All competing car must be presented at the appointed time and place for examination by official scrutineers, who may, in their absolute discretion, require any entrant to comply with their request. Any entrant who refuses to comply will be excluded from the race or meeting. The scrutineers will scrutinize the car for compliance with the regulations and for sound mechanical condition. No competing car may be driven on the course for official practice until it has passed all phases of scrutineering.
  - 2.2 Any competing car which is modified after official scrutineering or which is involved in any accident must be presented to the official scrutineers, whose approval of Chief Scrutineer must be obtained before the car is driven for any official practice or race. Breach of this rule will automatically result in exclusion or disqualification.
  - 2.3 A competing car may be subject to impounding for scrutineering or dismantling after practice or races to ensure conformity with the regulations.
  - 2.4 Engines of all race cars maybe sealed by the scrutineer after the first scrutineering if the scrutineer requests. All entrants are required to prepare suitable holes for lock-wiring on the cam cover to the cylinder head. If the seal is found to be damaged for any reasson, other than with permission of the Chief Scrutineer, all previous results (race or qualification) where that engine was used will be disregarded.
  - 2.5 After the timed practice and race, race cars may be checked and weighted at the parc freme. Entrants are required to send at least two personnel during the checking process. They must follow the instructions of the scrutineers to facilitate the process.
  - 2.6 Engine change is permitted. A formal request must be made to the race secretariat, with administration fee when applicable, by the entrant before the change, that request will be passed to the Chief Scrutineer and the Stewards of the Meeting. The engine change is said to be authorized after the Stewards' permission is granted and presented for re-scrutineering and approval of the Chief Scrutineer who will proceed with the marking and identification of the replacement engine. Breach of this rule will automatically result in exclusion or disqualification.
  - 2.7 However, should an engine change be carried out after the final qualifying session, the car concerned will be required to start the race from the back of the starting grid. If more than one car is involved they will line up at the back of the grid in the qualifying order. The Stewards of the Meeting reserves the ultimate right to decide the grid position.
  - 2.8 All removed engine must be presented to the Chief Scrutineer for inspection with the

seals fully intact.

- 2.9 In case an engine change is felt to be necessary outside of events, the entrant may apply to the organizer for an unscheduled inspection where administration fee applies.
- 3. Competition Numbers
  - 3.1 All numbers will be allocated before the meeting and must be in position before shipping and scrutineering. The numbers shall be durable and must be shown during practice and racing. The Chief Scrutineer will reject any car whose numbers do not meet the specifications below.
  - 3.2 The size of the background plate shall be minimum of 50cm high and 50cm wide in white color. The top 12cm is reserved for Organizer advertising. The size of number shall be minimum 28cm high in black color with minimum stroke of 5cm wide, and shall be a minimum 5cm clearance between edge of number and edge of plate. If the background plate being the same color as the bodywork, the background must be delineated by a continuous back line of 5cm wide.
  - 3.3 The timekeepers may decline to record the performance of any car whose competition number is not readily apparent to the lap recorders.
- 4. Team Identification
  - 4.1 A Team shall consist of the Entrant, his nominated driver and members of the mechanical and timing crews. Only commercial entrant will have the right to claim an entrant pass. Identification will be issued for each competing car on the following basis: One entrant, one driver, four mechanics and two of them will have timing passes.
  - 4.2 Identification must bear the photo of the wearer and will not be issued unless photos, names and identity card or passport numbers are produced.
  - 4.3 Team members may be members of one team only. They will be issued at scrutineering to the entrant, or his representative authorized in writing, when his car(s) has passed scrutineering.
  - 4.4 Identification must be properly worn. Abuse of the privileges conferred by the issue of identification will result in these privileges being withdrawn completely.
- 5. Fuel
  - 5.1 Gasoline, unleaded type will be available through HKAA or the circuit management fuel supply station, approved by the Race Committee.
  - 5.2 No other fuel or grades of gasoline may be used in practice, or racing. Additives are not permitted except in the case of two stroke engines when oil may be added to the gasoline for lubrication purposes on condition that it does not increase the fuel octane number. Samples of fuel being used by all competitors may be taken before the start of, during, and at the end of races to verify that the regulations have been strictly observed.
- 6. Advertising on Vehicles
  - 6.1 All cars will be required to carry Organizer's advertising, the top 600 sq. cm on both sides of the competition numbers as specified in Appendix A Art 3.2 is reserved for Organizer advertising.
  - 6.2 Advertising is permitted, provided that, in the opinion of the Chief Scrutineer, it does not impair the legibility of competition numbers or the safety of the car, or is not in bad taste. The Chief Scrutineer may refuse to pass a car until any offending advertisement is removed or obliterated.
  - 6.3 All advertisements must be in position before scrutineering.
  - 6.4 Failure to comply with the above rules will result in exclusion or disqualification.

## **APPENDIX B**

Eligible Competitors

- 1. Eligible Competitors
  - 1.1 Entrants are required to hold a valid license as specified in Art. 6 of the Sporting Regulation.
  - 1.2 Driver is required to hold a valid license, as specified in Art. 6 of the Sporting Regulation or having proved of competition experience that is acceptable to the organizer, and are physically fit.
  - 1.3 The Race Committee reserves the right to accept or reject, at their sole discretion, any entrant and/or driver without assigning a reason.
  - 1.4 Drivers from Hong Kong are defined as National drivers in these regulations.

#### 2. Nomination of Drivers

- 2.1 The maximum number of drivers that can be nominated to drive a vehicle in a race shall be one for sprint race, maximum three for endurance event.
- 2.2 The name of the drivers shall be stated on the official entry form when the entry is submitted.
- 2.3 The only subsequent change of driver shall be under Art. 12.7 of the Sporting Regulation.
- 3. Qualified Starters
  - 3.1 All drivers, in order to qualify as starters in any race, must have practiced during at least one official practice period and have completed one timed lap.
  - 3.2 The maximum qualification times for all races in the meeting shall be calculated on the basis of 120% of the best time of the class. Qualification must be on the car to be driven in the race.
  - 3.3 The Clerk of the Course/Race Director in his sole discretion may propose to the Stewards of the Meeting that a driver who has not so qualified to be allowed to take part in a race. The decision of the Stewards has no appeal.
- 4. Grids.

Grids shall be determined on times achieved in official timed practice sessions, the fastest competitor taking pole. For event with two races, the first race grid position will be determined by the fastest time achieved during the qualify session. The result of the first race will form the grid position for the second race of the event. If arrangement is different from above, it will be specified by supplementary regulation.

5. Practice

For each event there will be a minimum of one un-time practice sessions, each session will have a minimum of twenty minutes.

#### 6. Qualify

For each event there will be a maximum of two qualify sessions with minimum of twenty minutes.

## APPENDIX C

#### 1 SAFETY REQUIREMENTS

- 1.1 Personal Protection
  - 1.1.1 Safety Helmets All drivers must wear helmets to the standards specified by FIA current yearbook. All helmets must be presented for inspection at scrutineering.
  - 1.1.2 All drivers must wear fire resistant garments which cover the body, with the driver's name and blood group on the outside in a conspicuous place, fire resistant full length underwear, gloves, socks, head covering and shoes. In accordance with FIA Appendix L Chapter III art. 2.

#### 2. SAFETY BELTS

All cars must have a safety belt which is in accordance with the requirement stated at Appendix J Art 253(6) FIA current year book.

#### 3. FIRE EXTINGUISHERS

Cars must be equipped with one or two bottles (which must be certified) containing a minimum of 4kg of the extinguisant, powder or of any other replacement product approved by the FIA, fastened to the floor of the front passenger compartment, only rapid release metal mountings with metal straps will be accepted, or in accordance with Appendix J Art 253(7.2) FIA current year book.

#### 4. SAFETY ROLL BARS

All cars must be fitted with safety roll bars conforming to Appendix J Article 253/drawing FIA, current yearbook. Inquiries should be directed to the Chief Scrutineer.

#### 5. GENERAL CIRCUIT BREAKER

Must be accessible from inside and outside the car. Must be a spark-proof model. For closed cars it must be located outside the car on the lower part of the windscreen mounting. For open cars it must be located at the lower part of the main hoops of the roll bar, on either side. It must be marked by a red spark in a white- edged blue triangle.

#### 6. WINDSHIELDS

On saloon car races a windshield of laminated glass is compulsory. Safety net for driver side window must be installed according to FIA Appendix J requirement

7. All drivers and cars entered in all the races must comply with the above rules, unless the Chief Scrutineer in his sole discretion has agreed in writing before the start of the race to a modification or waiver.

## APPENDIX D

#### COURSE RULES

#### 1. Briefing

At a time and place to be announced by the Clerk of the Course/Race Director or his representatives will conduct a briefing of drivers and team managers only. No questions other than those relating to the actual conduct of the races will be entertained. Any other queries in connection with this meeting must be sent to the Secretary of the Meeting in writing no later than three days before the start of the event. The Organizing Committee shall not be obliged to answer any subsequent query except where, in their opinion, to do so will assist in the conduct of the meeting.

Any driver who fails to attend will be subject to fine of HK\$2,000, fail to attend the briefing on time will also be subject to a fine of HK\$200, payable before practice starts, failure to pay will result in disqualification.

#### 2. Course Rules

It is deemed that all entrants, drivers and team members are fully conversant with the provisions laid down in the ISC and NCR. All course rules for this event strictly adhere to the above-mentioned codes.

#### 3. Race Control

Race Control is under the sole jurisdiction of the Clerk of the Course / Race Director or his Deputy. No persons other than the Clerk of the Course/Race Director and his Deputy and the Stewards of the Meeting or persons expressly asked by the Clerk of the Course / Race Director to perform some essential duty therein are permitted to enter Race Control during practice or racing. A Track Office is provided for the convenience of entrants.

- 4. Paddock
  - 4.1 The situation of the MAIN paddock will be at the back of the mechanical pits. Such other places as shall be decided by The Organizer may be used as auxiliary paddocks.
  - 4.2 All vehicles must be parked in the paddock or auxiliary paddock(s) as directed by the Marshals. Only competing cars will be allowed in the paddock.
- 5. Pits There will be two sets of pits, the timing pits and the mechanical pits. The Race Committee will allocate them to entrants.
  - 5.1 Timing Pits
    - 5.1.1 Timing pits may be used by each entrant or his assistant solely for the control of and signaling to his car(s).
    - 5.1.2 Only Timing Crew wearing the Timing Pit Pass and/or bib is allowed in the Timing Pits. Breach of this rule shall carry a fine of HK\$1,000 first offense and disqualification for second offense.
    - 5.1.3 Signals displayed from any one timing pit shall be of such a size or description as not to obstruct the signals of any other timing pit.
    - 5.1.4 Signals to or from competing cars by radio communication are permitted subject to the law of the country where the event take place on use of radio equipment. Frequency used must have prior approval from the organizer. The use of equipment, capable of receiving and/or transmitting messages from the track side, shall be construed as a breach of rule if not being approved by the Chief Scrutineer and shall result in a fine of HK\$2,500 first offence and disqualification for second offence.
    - 5.1.5 Signals to competing cars may only be made from the timing pits.
    - 5.1.6 The form of signals used at the timing pits must not resemble the international track warning flags.
    - 5.1.7 Competing cars may not slow down, alter course or stop at the timing pits during

official practice or racing. Penalty for breach, disqualification.

- 5.2 Mechanical Pits
  - 5.2.1 The mechanical pits will be used solely for the refueling, servicing and maintenance of competing cars and the change of drivers. The maximum speed permitted in pit lane in both practice and racing sessions is 60KPH.
  - 5.2.2 During racing, only the mechanical pits will be used for the refueling, servicing and maintenance of competing cars and the change of drivers.
  - 5.2.3 A competing car at the mechanical pits may be refueled, serviced and maintained by a maximum of four people excluding the driver. No other team personnel are allowed in the pit lane.
  - 5.2.4 Any competing car that is refueled, or has oil replenishment, is serviced or changes its driver at any place other than the mechanical pits during racing will be disqualified.
  - 5.2.5 Any car, which enters the paddock or a Pit Box during a practice session or race, is officially retired and exits from the same during the practice or race period in which it has been participating is forbidden.
  - 5.2.6 Except during pit stops, all pit equipment including tools and spares must be kept on or in the Pit Boxes.
  - 5.2.7 The pit frontage must be cleared of all equipment immediately following a pit stop.
  - 5.2.8 Pit personnel must remain within the working area and may not set foot upon the pit lane or the course during official practice or racing.
  - 5.2.9 Before refueling all engines must be switched off. Drivers are permitted to sit inside their car during refueling. Breaching of this rule will raise disqualification.
  - 5.2.10 Car may not be restarted until refueling containers have been removed and backed on proper pit designated place and petrol tank filler caps properly shut, under penalty of disqualification.
  - 5.2.11 Every precaution must be taken by pit personnel and drivers to avoid petrol or oil spillage. If spillage occurs, the Pit Marshals will supervise the adequate disposal of the spillage by the pit personnel concerned.
  - 5.2.12 If there is leakage or spillage of petrol in the pit area, the car must be pushed clears of the danger area by hand as ordered by Pit Marshals before engines may be restarted.
  - 5.2.13 Cars may not be driven, with engine running, in the wrong direction in the pit lane area (i.e. in the direction towards the pit after over shooting). The car must be wheeled back by hand by the driver or assisted by not more than four mechanics, under Penalty of disqualification.
  - 5.2.14 Competing car must be parked at the pits so as not to block the entrance to or exit from the paddock.
  - 5.2.15 Drivers of cars intending to enter the pits must switch on headlights if any, and/or extend their arm in sufficient time to warn other cars, pit personnel and Pit Marshals of their intention to enter. Cars entering the pits must keep to the right of the yellow line on the track. Failure to comply will result in disqualification.
  - 5.2.16 Competitors must rejoin the track after the end of solid white line extended from the pit exit during practice or race. Competitors rejoin the track before the end of the solid white line extended from the Pit exit will be penalized. At all time

competitors re-enter the racetrack on their own responsibility.

- 5.2.17 Smoking is strictly forbidden in the mechanical pits, pit areas and in the paddock. Drivers as well as all team personnel must observe this Regulation.
- 5.2.18 The penalty for breach of rules (5.2.3), (5.2.6) and (5.2.8) will be one (I) minute per person or per incident added to the time of the vehicle being serviced.
- 5.3 Pit lane speed limit is set at maximum 60 km per hour; speeding within pit lane area will be fined at HK\$1,000 for each offence during practice and qualifying.
- 6. Practicing
  - 6.1 Practice periods will be as laid down in event program or as may be announced. All practice laps, except those stated to be untimed, will be timed, and the placing of cars on the starting grid will be decided on the best lap times achieved.
  - 6.2 Only nominated drivers may drive during practice and then only on the cars for which they have been nominated.
  - 6.3 All rules will apply for practice as for races.
  - 6.4 Drivers of cars wishing to leave the paddock during practice to join the circuit must not proceed beyond the paddock exit gate, except on the instruction of a Pit Marshal.
  - 6.5 The end of a practice session for a group of cars will be signified by the checkered flag held stationary. On receiving the checkered flag drivers must continue for one more lap and then enter the pit lane. Failure to do so may result in disqualification.
- 7. Start
  - 7.1 Cars will be brought to the starting grid or starting area for their races in the order and as instructed by the Clerk of Course or his Deputy.
  - 7.2 The start of races will be by mass start from the starting grid. For all races, position will be based upon the best official practice time; i.e. the fastest official practice lap time will be allotted No. 1 position.
  - 7.3 Starting will be by colored light signals. When all cars are in their correct grid positions after returning from the warm up lap the red light will go on. Approximately 2-5 seconds the red light will turn off. Once the red light is off racing start immediately.
  - 7.4 ALL PERSON OTHER THAN THE DRIVERS AND THOSE COURSE OFFICIALS DIRECTLY CONCERNED WITH THE START MUST BE OFF THE CIRCUIT NO LATER THAN ONE MINUTE BEFORE THE GREEN FLAG, UNDER PENALTY OF DISQUALIFICATION.
  - 7.5 Start Procedure
    - 7.5.1 The start is a mass start from the grid with engines running.
    - 7.5.2 Push starting is permitted subject to compliance with Appendix D Art. 7.5.3
    - 7.5.3 Any car, which fails to start, must be pushed to the pit concerned and be clear of the circuit within two minutes after the green starting signal or flag is given. Drivers are warned that if a motorcar is pushed by anyone other than the driver over the start line after the green start signal has been given; it will be disqualified for receiving outside assistance. The only assistance that may be given to the driver, providing the start line is not crossed, until the car reached its pit, is by course officials who will be acting to clear an obstruction.
    - 7.5.4 Any car entered in any race which stops on the circuit during the sighting or formation lap will automatically be excluded from the race and may not be moved other than to the nearest point of safety. Any such car, which has mechanical trouble and has not stopped may enter the pits and start from the pit

lane only after the race has started. Competitor starting from pit lane must start the race before the leading car completed the second lap; Fail to conform will be disqualified

- 7.5.5 The penalty for jumping the start from a standing start shall be 30 seconds.
- 7.5.6 Maximum of 180% of the pole position time achieved for the race will be allowed for competitors to complete the warm up/formation lap. Any competitor fail to conform will result with a disqualification. The decision of the Stewards shall be final.
- 7.5.7 No competitor is allowed to practice start on track at all time.

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Finish

- 8.1 The finish of each race will be when the leading car having completed the required number of laps or time, crosses the finish line, which will be marked and may not coincide with the start line.
- 8.2 The number of laps that a competitor has completed when the race ends will determine the remaining positions.
- 8.3 Pushing a car along the circuit or pushing it across the finish line is not allowed and will result in immediate disqualification.
- 8.4 Any car abandoned by its driver, for whatever the reason or for how short the period, shall be considered as withdrawal from the race.
- 8.5 The winner of each race will be flagged with the black and white checker flag when he has crossed the finish line.
- 8.6 The checker flag will then be shown stationary to competitors when they have crossed the finish line, signifying the end of the race irrespective of whether they have completed the full distance or not. Competitors must pass the checker flag in order to be classified.
- 8.7 On receiving the checkered flag, each car will continue round the circuit at greatly reduced speed for one more lap and return to the scrutineering area where all will stop within the area. Any car that leaves the circuit, other than at the entry to the scrutineering area, during racing or on the slow down lap will be immediately disqualified. Any car that receives outside assistance with the exception of course official on the slow down lap will be disqualified.
- 8.8 Only cars which have covered at least 90% of the distance covered by the winner will be classified.
- 9. Suspending and Resuming a Race
  - 9.1 Race suspension
    - 9.1.1 Should it become necessary to suspend the race because the circuit is blocked by an accident or because of weather or other conditions make it dangerous to continue, the clerk of the course/Race Director will order red flags to be shown at all marshal posts and the red lights to be shown at the line.
    - 9.1.2 When the signal is given overtaking is forbidden, the pit exit will be closed and all cars must proceed slowly to the red flag line where they must stop in a line on the pole position side of the track. If the red flag is shown during the safety car session, and safety car has been directed into the pit lane, all cars must follow and stop in line in the fast lane of the pits
    - 9.1.3 If any cars are unable to return to the grid as a result of the tack being blocked they will be brought back when the track is cleared and will be arranged in the order they occupied before the race was suspended. The order will be taken at the last point at which it was possible to determine the position of all cars. Any such cars will then be permitted to resume the race. The safety car will then be driven to the front of the line of cars behind the red flag line.

- 9.1.4 Whilst the race is suspended:
  - The timekeeping system will stop.
  - Cars may be worked on once they have stopped behind the red flag line or entered the pits but any such work must not impede the resumption of the race.
  - Refueling is forbidden.
  - Only team members and officials will be permitted on the grid.
- 9.1.5 All cars in the pit lane will be permitted to leave the pits once the race has been resumed, but any which were in the pit entry of pit lane when the race was suspended will be released before any others. Subject to the above, any car intending to resume the race from the pit exit may do so in the order they got there under their own power, unless another car was unduly delayed.
- 9.1.6 Under these circumstances working in the fast lane will be permitted but any such work will be restricted to:
  - Starting the engine and directly associated preparation.
  - The fitting or removal of permitted cooling and heating devices.
  - Changing wheels when a change of climatic conditions has been confirmed.

At all times drivers must follow the direction of the Marshals.

- 9.2 Resuming a Race
  - 9.2.1 The delay will be kept as short as possible and as soon as a resumption time is known teams will be informed via the timing board at the red flag line, in all cases at least 5 minutes warning will be given.
  - 9.2.2 Signals will be shown five minutes, three minutes, one minute and five seconds before the resumption and each of these will be accompanied by an audible warning.
  - 9.2.3 When the three minutes signal is shown all cars must have their wheels fitted and on ground, after this signal wheel may only be removed in the pit lane. Any car which does not have all its wheel fully fitted at the three minutes signal must start the race from the back of the grid or pit lane; at some point after the five minutes signal any cars between the red flag line and the leader, will be waved off to complete a further lap, without overtaking and join the line of cars behind the safety car.
  - 9.2.4 When the one minute signal is shown, engines should be started and all team personal must leave the grid, by the time the five seconds is shown all team personal must be inside the pit area. If any driver needs assistance after the 5 seconds signal he must raise his arm and, when the remainder of cars able to have left the grid, marshals will be instructed to push the car into the pit lane.
  - 9.2.5 The race will be resumed behind the safety car when the green lights are illuminated. The safety car will enter the pits after one lap unless team personnel are still clearing the grid or a further incident occurs necessitating another intervention or all cars are not yet in a line behind the safety car.
  - 9.2.6 When the green lights are illuminated the safety car will leave the grid with all cars following, in the order they stopped behind the red flag line, no more than 5 cars lengths apart. Soon after the last car in line behind the safety car passes the end of the pit lane, the pit exit light will turned green, any car in the pit lane may then enter the track and join the line of cars behind the safety car.
  - 9.2.7 Overtaking during the lap is permitted only if a car is delayed when leaving the red flag line and cars behind cannot avoid passing it without unduly delaying the remainder of the field. In this case, drivers may only overtake to re-establish the order before the race was suspended. Any driver who is delayed leaving the red flag line may not overtake another moving car if he was stationary after the remainder of the cars had crossed the line, and must form up at the back of the field behind the safety car. If more than one driver is affected, they must form up at the back of the field in the order they left the grid.
  - 9.2.8 A penalty of 60 seconds will be imposed on any driver who, in the opinion of the Stewards, unnecessarily overtook another car during the lap.
  - 9.2.9 If the race cannot be resumed the results will taken at the end of the penultimate lap before the lap during which the signal to suspend the race was given.
- 10. Use of Safety Car

The use of safety car for sprint race should be confirmed by supplementary regulation of the series concerned and announce by the Clerk of Course/Race Director during drivers' briefing.

## **APPENDIX E**

#### **Flag Signals**

The following flag signals will be used throughout the meeting, and signals of the color described will not be used for purposes other than those detailed in this article.

Blue Waved. Another competitor is trying to overtake you.

Yellow with Vertical Red stripes. Take care; oil has been spilled on the course.

Yellow (motionless). Danger! Take care. No overtaking.

**Yellow** (waved). Great Danger! No overtaking! Be prepared to stop. This flag may be supplemented by a yellow light or lights.

**Black** With number in white on blackboard - at start line only. Signal for the vehicle bearing that number to stop at the mechanical pits on the same lap.

Black & White With number on blackboard - at finish line only. Warning of un-sportsman like behavior.

**Black-orange disc** with number on blackboard - at start line only. Warning that vehicle has mechanical problem likely to cause danger. Must stop at the pits on same lap.

White An ambulance, service vehicle, official car or slow car is on the course so take great care.

Green Road clear-when danger has been removed.

**Red** at start line and Red flag at observation points. Signals to drivers to stop racing immediately and proceed slowly to Pits exercising extreme caution and being prepared to stop if necessary. The Red Flag may be supplemented by a red light. Any driver who disregards the red flags signal during practice or racing may be disqualified from further participation in the race meeting or from the race in which the red flag was used, at the discretion of the Stewards of the Meeting.

**Black and White** checker. Signal for the end of race or practice. Competitor should only take checker once at the end of each session .

# Appendix F Penalty

## 2018 Penalty Table

Item	Violations	Un-time	Qualify	Race
		practice	-	
	Fail to attend driver briefing, first offence of the season. (Appendix D Art. 1)		Fine \$2,000	
2	Fail to attend driver briefing, second offence of the season (Appendix D Art. 1)		Fine \$4,000	
	Fail to attend press conference, first offence of the season.		Fine \$5,000	
	Fail to attend press conference, second offence of the season.		Fine \$10,000	
5	Practice start on track (Appendix D Art. 7.5.7)		Fine \$5,000	
6	Reverse using engine power at pit lane. (Appendix D Art 5.2.13)	Fine \$3,000	Fine \$5,000	Fine \$8,000 Possible disqualification by Stewards of Meeting.
7	Fail to observe official instruction (Appendix A Art 2.1, 2.2 and 2.3.)		Session time cancel and fine of \$3,000.	Disqualify from result and fine \$5,000.
8	Engine Change		Change after qualify will result with last grid position to start race plus \$500 administration charge	Change after Race 1 will result with last grid position to start race 2 plus \$500 administration charge.
9	Take checkered flag more than one time. (Appendix E)	Reprimand	Fine \$2,500	Fine \$2,500
10	Speeding at pit lane (Appendix D Art. 5.3)	Fine \$1,000	Fine \$1,000	30sec time penalty
11	Fail to follow official instruction (FIA Appendix H Art. 2.5.2)	Fine \$3,000	Fine \$3,000	30sec time penalty plus fine of \$5,000
12	Ignore blue flag (Appendix E)	Reprimand	Fine \$5,000	30 sec time penalty plus fine of \$5,000
13	Push or manoeuvres liable to hinder other drivers (FIA Appendix L Chapter IV Art. 2)	Black flag	Black flag	30 sec time penalty plus fine of \$5,000
14	Cause an avoidable incident or contact (FIA Appendix L Chapter IV)	Black flag	30 sec time penalty plus fine of \$5,000	Suspend for one race and drop 10 position plus fine of \$8,000
15	Did not report back to pit lane after black flag was shown more than three times. (Appendix E)	Driver is disqualified from event.	Driver is disqualified	Driver is disqualified from event plus competition license suspension
16	Violation of Red Flag (Appendix E)	Fine \$7,500	Fine \$7,500 and drop 5 grid positions	Disqualify from race and fine \$10,000
17	Violation of Yellow flag (Sporting regulation Art 11.2)	Fine \$1,500	30 secs to be added to the best qualifying time	Time penalty of 30 second per offence.
18	Warm up lap time excess 180% limit. (Appendix D Art. 7.5.6)			Disqualify from race.
19	Jump start (Appendix D Art 7.5.5)			Time penalty of 30 ses
20	Did not clear the pit area after practice, qualify and or race session. (Appendix D Art. 5.2.7)	Fine \$1,000	Fine \$2,000	Fine \$3,000
21	Enter the circuit from pit exit before the end of solid white line. (Appendix D Art 5.2.16)	Fine \$1,000	Fine \$5,000	Time penalty of 30 seconds plus fine of \$10,000.
	Steering wheel not in the proper position to operate the car when abandon on the circuit during any session of the event.	Fine \$500	Fine \$500	Fine \$1,000

\*All of the above penalties are for reference only; finial decision will be subject to the interpretation of all the codes by the Stewards of Meeting. \*Fine is in HK Dollars. (RMB will be on 1:1 ratio to HK Dollar)

\* In the event of inconsistency with Chinese version, the English version prevails.\*