

Covid 19 Protocols– Intelligent Money British GT Silverstone 7-8 November 2020

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The below outlines championship specific protocols and procedures which have been adjusted from our norm to comply with UK Government and Motorsport UK regulations in relation to COVID-19. These protocols are to be read and adhered to in conjunction with any guidelines issued by the Organising Club (BRSCC) or Venue (SCL)

Each Series in attendance and the relevant organising club will appoint a Covid-19 Officer (Alan Tyson – BRSCC) who will be responsible for reporting back to Motorsport UK that everything is being run in accordance with their guidelines which teams must be aware of in conjunction with these guidelines. If the officer has any concerns about people violating the rules and regulations around the restrictions, this will be reported to the Race Director for possible action, which may include disqualification from the event.

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1: Access to the Venue

Anyone experiencing any of the published symptoms of Covid-19, or with underlying health issues or otherwise deemed vulnerable should NOT attend the Event.

All personnel before attending each day must themselves complete the self assessment questionnaire:

Q1: Person at risk: Do I have any condition(s) that puts me at increased risk from the COVID-19 virus (such as my age, diabetes, obesity, immunosuppressive treatment, or chronic respiratory disease)? **Yes/No**

Please note that if you have answered this question in the affirmative, it is up to your general practitioner to establish if you are "Fit to attend the event" and it is up to you to communicate any recommendations in terms of protection to be applied to protect you from the increased risk of the effects of COVID-19 disease on your person.

Q2. Have I suffered from any COVID-19 symptoms in the past 14 days? **Yes / No**

Q3. Have I had any close contact in the previous 14 days with an infected person? **Yes / No**

Q4. Have I had any close contact within the previous 14 days with a person suffering from an acute respiratory illness that started within 14 days of that person's own close contact with a person who is or may be infected? **Yes / No**

No person is to attend the venue if they have at any time during the past 14 days knowingly been in contact with anyone who currently has or has had at any time during the past 14 days had any symptoms relating to Coronavirus, If you are on site and start to feel any of the listed symptoms then you must go home immediately and follow Government guidelines.

There will be temperature checks at main gate for all personnel access from Friday.

A negative covid test is not mandatory to show upon arrival to the Circuit. However, all personnel and drivers to be reminded **if you are attending a Motorsport UK event during the 14-day period after returning from a non-exempt country you must have a Motorsport UK Exemption Letter, following the mandatory process that includes taking a Covid-19 test** between 48 and 72 hours after arriving back in the UK. The results of this test must be emailed to Motorsport UK. No one may attend a Motorsport UK event until this procedure has been completed.

1.1 Limit on personnel

The Event will be ran behind closed doors and classed as elite sport. All teams will need to reduce their personnel to the strict minimum. British GT Teams will be permitted a maximum number of 15 personnel per entry, including drivers. Support Series Teams will be permitted a maximum of 6 per entry. Only personnel directly involved in the running of the car/team may attend. They must serve an operational purpose. This is in accordance with the UK government's national lockdown protocols and an element of Motorsport UK's elite sport categorisation, without which the event cannot take place. Any operationally non-essential personnel onsite will be asked to vacate the Venue.

1.2 Accreditation

Teams/suppliers/organisers/anyone entering the paddock must complete and return the Essential Personnel Attending Form **stating the name, contact and function of the person applying to attend.** When this has been returned with the details of attending personnel **and approved by SRO, support**

series will be posted the number of tickets applied for and British GT teams may collect onsite from 14:00 Thursday. . There is no ticket collection. Teams will have to wait within Car Park 49 (before the roundabout on the right as you enter the venue) until passes are brought out to them. These tickets will grant access to the venue from Friday 6th and is valid over the 3 days. It is mandatory to wear your British GT pass/lanyard so it is easy to identify different championships personnel.

1.3 Media

General media access will be dramatically reduced during this time. This is largely due to social distancing measures impacting on media centre capacity. As such, full-season media passes will not be accepted without a valid Ticket issued by Silverstone. Media will be limited to essential selected championship suppliers, print journalists and team press officers. A selection of high-resolution photos will be available on British GT's website after each session and race weekend. All teams are welcome to download them for press and social media purposes using these details:

www.britishgt.com/press-members

Username: media

Password: media123

It will be impossible to cover all teams in all sessions so you can arrange specific team/driver photography with one of the limited number of championship and manufacturer-contracted photographers attending this race.

Jakob Ebrey Photography: jakob@jakobebrey.com

Gary Parravani: gaz@xynamic.com

Patrick Gosling: patrick@beadyeye.tv

These photographers have been instructed not to work inside team garages but may work in the pitlane, paddock, trackside and on the grid provided social distancing measures are maintained.

1.4 Car Parking

All personnel must park in the designated team parking area outside the main and support paddocks - no private cars permitted in paddock areas. There will be no paddock supercar parking. There will be a delivery pass system in place allowing 15 mins main or support paddock access for drop offs, the vehicle can be offloaded and then moved back to the teams parking area. Cars found to be in the paddock with the wrong pass or no pass will be removed.

1.5 Motorhome Park

Overnight stays at the venue are permitted for competitors. An application for a competitor motorhome pass must be received in advance of arrival. The dimensions, type and registration of the motorhome or other vehicle must be supplied to SRO on email with the person intended to stay in it – being granted one of the competitor Tickets. The motorhomes will be parked within the support paddock, as such, the competitor may not have a private vehicle within the paddock beside their motorhome – this vehicle must be parked in the teams area. [Access to parking spaces with power are limited and need to be requested and booked in advance with SRO.](#)

1.6 Park Up

Access to the support paddock will be on Thursday from 10:00

Access to garages for British GT will be on Thursday, from 12:00

If arriving before your park up time you will be instructed to park in car park 49 which is outside the main gate.

2: Social distancing

2.1 Venue:

At all times around the venue please respect the government instructions regarding social distancing at that time. Social Distance requirement is still 2m (where possible.) Support Series: no access to pit lane during any other session than your own, when in pit lane no access to GT teams garages without **the teams** express permission.

2.2 Teams Area:

Teams must keep within their allocated areas avoiding interaction and mingling with other teams/ personnel cells. Teams must manage their personnel numbers in own areas to permit social distancing, for example within the garage, particularly when the car is in the garage, manage the numbers accordingly to ensure social distancing. Garage doors must remain open. Personal fans and ventilation systems are forbidden. Pit Wall – for BGT the orange armband system is in place, 4 per car permitted on pit wall, adhere to social distancing, masks are mandatory in pit lane, pit wall. The Team Manager who signs the Essential Personnel Attending Sheet, does so to confirm they have read and understood these protocols will:

- 1) Ensure that protocols are applied by all team ticket holders
- 2) Be responsible for their designated areas – team truck, allocated garage, working pit area, pit wall, paddock space in regard to the regular sanitisation and personnel management.

However, should an Official or SRO representative require/request access to any car at any time for example scrutineers, officials, TV, data logger technician (emotag) access must be granted respecting social distancing and sanitisation measures in place.

2.3 Medical Centre

The medical centre is primarily for the competitors and should not be used as a drop in centre for minor injuries. Competitors should carry a first aid kit to deal with minor injuries. It is imperative that anyone on site becoming unwell with Covid-19 like symptoms should not attend the medical centre; rather they should inform the Covid19 Officer, Alan Tyson on the race admin number, 01732 795 192 informing race admin of their concern before leaving the venue to contact their doctor or call the NHS helpline 111.

3: PPE Personal Protective Equipment and Sanitisation

3.1 Masks

Teams must supply their own personnel with PPE. There is now the requirement for all participants to wear a face mask in the following areas of the venue at all times: Grid, Pits, Garages, Parc ferme is

mandatory and enclosed spaces such as venue offices and can only be removed in Paddock if 2m social distancing is possible. The removal of individual personal exemptions from wearing a face mask; these persons will no longer be allowed to attend Motorsport UK events. Please see the Motorsport UK Guidance <https://www.motorsportuk.org/wp-content/uploads/2020/09/2020-09-17-Face-mask-and-coverings-guidance-chart.pdf>

Guidance for wearing face masks and coverings

| | Fixed venue (Kart) | Fixed venue (Race/Speed) | Non-fixed venue (Rally/Club Sport) |
|---|-----------------------|--------------------------|------------------------------------|
| High density – compulsory | Paddock | Assembly areas | Event control |
| Lower density – compulsory unless socially distanced (+2m) | Assembly areas | Grid | Enclosed areas* |
| <p>This guidance is for any person involved in any event in the defined areas and is to be read in conjunction with existing guidance.</p> <p>Age: This guidance applies to anyone aged 6 years or over.</p> <p>* Enclosed areas (including vehicles) unless occupants are from the same household. The organiser must be satisfied that they reside together.</p> <p>** Trackside includes any person within the restricted area that includes the track.</p> | Grid | Pits & pit wall | Incident intervention |
| | Parc fermé | Pit garages / awnings | Assembly/service areas |
| | Awnings | Enclosed areas* | Time controls |
| | Enclosed areas* | Incident intervention | Section and test starts |
| | Incident intervention | Paddock / parc fermé | Marshal posts |
| | Marshal posts | Marshal posts | |
| | Trackside** | Trackside** | |



3.2 Gloves

Where personnel would wear gloves, the gloves must be frequently cleaned or replaced.

3.3 Washing Hands

Advised frequently and thoroughly. Where washing with soap and water is not possible hand sanitisers with a minimum content of 60% alcohol should be used.

3.4 Team barriers

It is advised that team areas – outlined above (2.2) is defined with tape to deter people from entering your responsible areas without invitations. Tape is advised as tensor barriers between your truck and rear of garage will be a fire lane hazard.

3.5 Sanitisation

The venue will deploy enhanced cleaning measures, disinfect high-frequency touch points in public areas and provide hand sanitiser dispensers around the venue. Teams are responsible for cleaning/sanitising their own common areas and equipment regularly. All equipment must be kept for personal use and must be disinfected before and after use and stored separately. This includes



helmets, headsets, radios, phones, computers, overalls, balaclavas, individual tools. Sharing of tools and equipment to be avoided where practical, to be used when wearing gloves.

4: Team Catering

British GT Teams are permitted to cater for themselves providing there is not additional personnel on site for this – any staff required for your own team catering must be within your allocated personnel per car **and approved**. This service would ideally be takeaway, or if sit in it must be socially distanced table service, no self-service, no buffet style catering. Teams are permitted to cater for themselves and are not authorised to share hospitality units with one or more teams without the prior approval of SRO. Teams are not authorised to use outside catering companies who offer their services to more than one team. The SRO Race Centre will provide a meal box delivery service for Friday Lunch and Dinner, Saturday Breakfast Lunch and Dinner, Sunday Breakfast, Lunch.

5: Entry Administration

The BRSCC online competitor sign on system must be completed by entrant and drivers before the event. Competitors still must bring their race licence to the events.

6: Briefings

A driver briefing presentation and notes will be sent in advance of the race meeting. For British GT: The Team Manager will be responsible for ensuring the drivers have watched the presentation, read and understood the briefing notes. The Briefing form will have to be completed to confirm this has been done and returned via email by Saturday 08:00.

7: Scrutineering and Checks

7.1 Scrutineering Bay and Scales

New BGT championship scales will remain available for teams to use in **Garage 0 (pit entry)**. Only the .minimum personnel required to push the car on to the scales may attend. Any personnel entering scrutineering bay to wear a mask and gloves, observe social distancing and instructions of scrutineers at all times.

7.2 Driver Equipment and Car Safety Checks

There will not be any scrutineering on site before going on track. Expect scrutineers to make random visual checks on vehicles as well as competitor equipment such as overalls, helmets etc. Failure to produce the required documentation may result in disqualification. Remote video inspections of cars and equipment may be used and teams may be asked to submit videos / photographs of specific equipment/vehicle components. The competitor's technical self-declaration is included in the BRSCC sign on system. Any declaration found to be false at any time during or after the event may result in disqualification from the meeting.

7.3 On Board and Pit Gantry Camera checks

On board camera and pit area camera fixing and visual checks will be requested via the Team Messaging App at a specified time. Visual checks by scrutineers onsite. Hayfisher, the official TV crew will fit live on boards in advance by appointment.

7.4 Car Decals Checks

Car Decal checks will be done visually on Friday and before the Friday test session to ensure compliance with the 2020 (Silverstone) Graphical Charter and all decal locations.

8: British GT Grid Procedures

The maximum number of personnel permitted on the grid is 5, including both drivers, unless otherwise instructed by the race director (weather or force majeure situations which may arise.) Before pit lane opens, teams must send 1 of the 5 essential team personnel to the specified area to be put in order before going on the grid, before the cars leave pit lane. No other personnel will be permitted on the grid if not part of the 5 per car. Any team found to have more than 5, or non essential personnel on the grid will be immediately reported to the Race Director and will be subject to a penalty. Masks must be worn on the grid, social distancing to be adhered to and team personnel must stay in the vicinity of their own car during the grid procedure. The countdown procedure will be issued as Event Bulletin 2.

9: Conduct on Track

Track limits will still apply. Should your vehicle stop trackside as a result of a problem or an incident you will be approached by a marshal at a distance. Indicate to that marshal if you are OK by giving them a “thumbs up” signal, failure to do so will mean that additional help will be called for to assist you personally and to move your vehicle as that marshal may be unable to assist alone. This may as a result cause a delay or a red flag.

10: Pit Stops

Latest Motorsport UK guidance advises that vehicle hard contact areas should be sanitised when driver changes occur. It is the team’s responsibility in ensuring the car is sanitised at all times. The shared use of an internal breather and hydration system is prohibited.

11: Parc Ferme

At the end of Free Practice 1, 2 and Warm Up cars must return to the garages. The exiting driver must respect social distancing rules in the garage. At the end of Qualifying or Race all cars must return to their garage under parc fermé conditions unless directed to stop in the parc fermé area. When vehicles enter parc fermé area, competitors are to remain in their vehicle, helmet on, and await direction from officials. The exiting driver must respect social distancing measures. No other people will be admitted to the parc fermé unless instructed by the scrutineers. Teams must send 2 personnel for possible assistance, when outside the parc ferme perimeter please observe social distancing measures between your team and other team members when required to be in the same vicinity. During Parc Ferme after Qualifying and Race we ask for team members to be available nearby to assist the process where requested.



12: Trophy Presentation

Trophy Presentation will be done respecting social distancing. Team personnel MUST NOT attend or spectate this area at this time. British GT [post race procedures have been issued as Event Bulletin 3.](#)

13: Race Control and Judicials

13.1 Judicial Procedures

It will be necessary to undertake judicial action to deal with breaches of the regulations. This will be done by respecting social distancing. All judicial procedures undertaken will be recorded electronically. The Race Director will work from Observers' reports and video evidence. Penalties and decisions from the Race Director will be announced verbally, over the phone or in a face-to-face meeting if the facilities allow it and then confirmed electronically. Protests or appeals must be submitted electronically by completing the protests and appeal form available on the MSUK website and emailed to the secretary of the meeting in good time.

13.2 Race Control / Race Director

Access to Race Control is not permitted. The British GT Race Director will communicate with BGT teams via the Race Control radio and via the Team Messaging App during the weekend and remains available for your questions via all electronic means – email, app and mobile phone - should the race director need to speak to the team manager in session, the number to call ONLY when requested is 07730 700955. The Race Director's office will be in the Race Admin Building, 1st floor.

13.3 Official Notices

The British GT website will now have a virtual notice board in each events section where stewards decisions will be available. The Teams section will still have all the event bulletins and timing results.

14: Team Relations and Team Messaging App

14.1 SRO Office

SRO Team Relations will be located in the race admin building, 1st floor. Please respect limit on capacity within the office and social distancing measures that will be in place. Anyone entering the SRO Office or the SRO Club must wear a mask. Communication is advised via the Team Messaging App instead of face to face meetings. Forms that usually would have been returned on site will now be online returned via email or app (driver nomination form, briefing form must be returned electronically – no paper copies)

14.2 SRO Team Messaging App

The Team Messaging App will be the main mode of communication between Teams – SRO – Race Control.

14:3 Timing and Results

Access to timekeepers is not permitted, contact via email or the Team Messaging App. Printouts will not be made available after the sessions. Race results and grids available via the TSL website, BGT download section. BRSCC Event notice board for all series' decisions and bulletins

https://brscc.co.uk/newsboard_categories/nov-7-8-silverstone/

BGT notice board for BGT decisions and penalties

https://www.britishgt.com/noticeboard?meeting_id=54

15: Contacts

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