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12th Gulf 12 Hours Race

DRIVERS' BRIEFING

8th - 10th December 2023

BRIEFING NOTES

Gulf 12 Hours



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Date: 6 December 2023

Time: 09:00

Race Director's Communication

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From: The Race Director
To: All Competitors
Cc: The Stewards
The Clerk of the Course
The Secretary of the Meeting

TEAM MANAGERS' AND DRIVERS' BRIEFING NOTES

To be read in conjunction with the PowerPoint presentations shown in the briefings and published on the Digital Notice Board.

1. THE CIRCUIT

- 1.1 The circuit (timing) line is 110 metres before the Start line.
- 1.2 The pit lane speed limit is 60 kph.
- 1.3 When entering the pit drivers must keep to the right of the line at all times. Any part of any car entering the pit may not cross the white line.
- 1.4 The pit in timing line is 25 metres before the Control Line.
- 1.5 The distance from the pit in timing line to the Pit Out timing line is 355.4 metres.
- 1.6 The distance from the pit in timing line (60 kph limit) to the pit exit timing line is 644 metres (and of 60 kph limit).
- 1.7 When leaving the pit drivers must stay to the left of the solid line at the pit exit. Any part of a tyre of any car leaving the pit may not cross the white line. A blue flag will warn drivers leaving the pit lane.
- 1.8 Flag signals (black, black/white, etc.) will be given from the Timing / Control line gantry. They will also be replicated on the main screen on the gantry. Both methods of communication have the same authority.
- 1.9 The starting lights will be the circuit light panel above the track.
- 1.10 Pole position is located on the left-hand side of the starting grid.
- 1.11 Fire extinguishers around the circuit are indicated by white panels with a red fire extinguisher image attached to the debris fence and barriers.
- 1.12 FIA approved track light signals have been installed around the track, in accordance with Appendix A to the SCC. The light signals have the same meaning as flag signals. For reasons of safety, in case of conflicting signals between the flags displayed by marshals and the light panels,

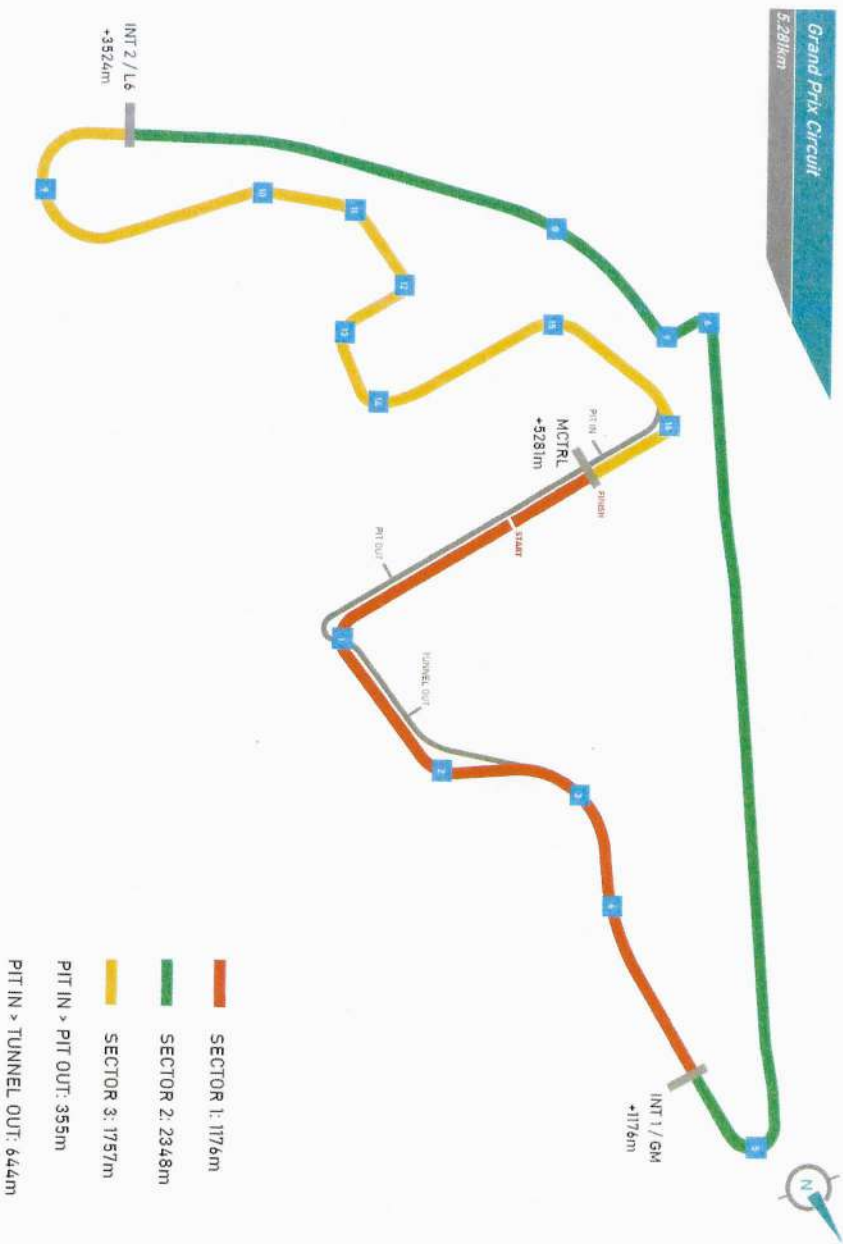


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- SECTOR 2: 2348m
- SECTOR 3: 1757m
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- PIT IN > TUNNEL OUT: 644m

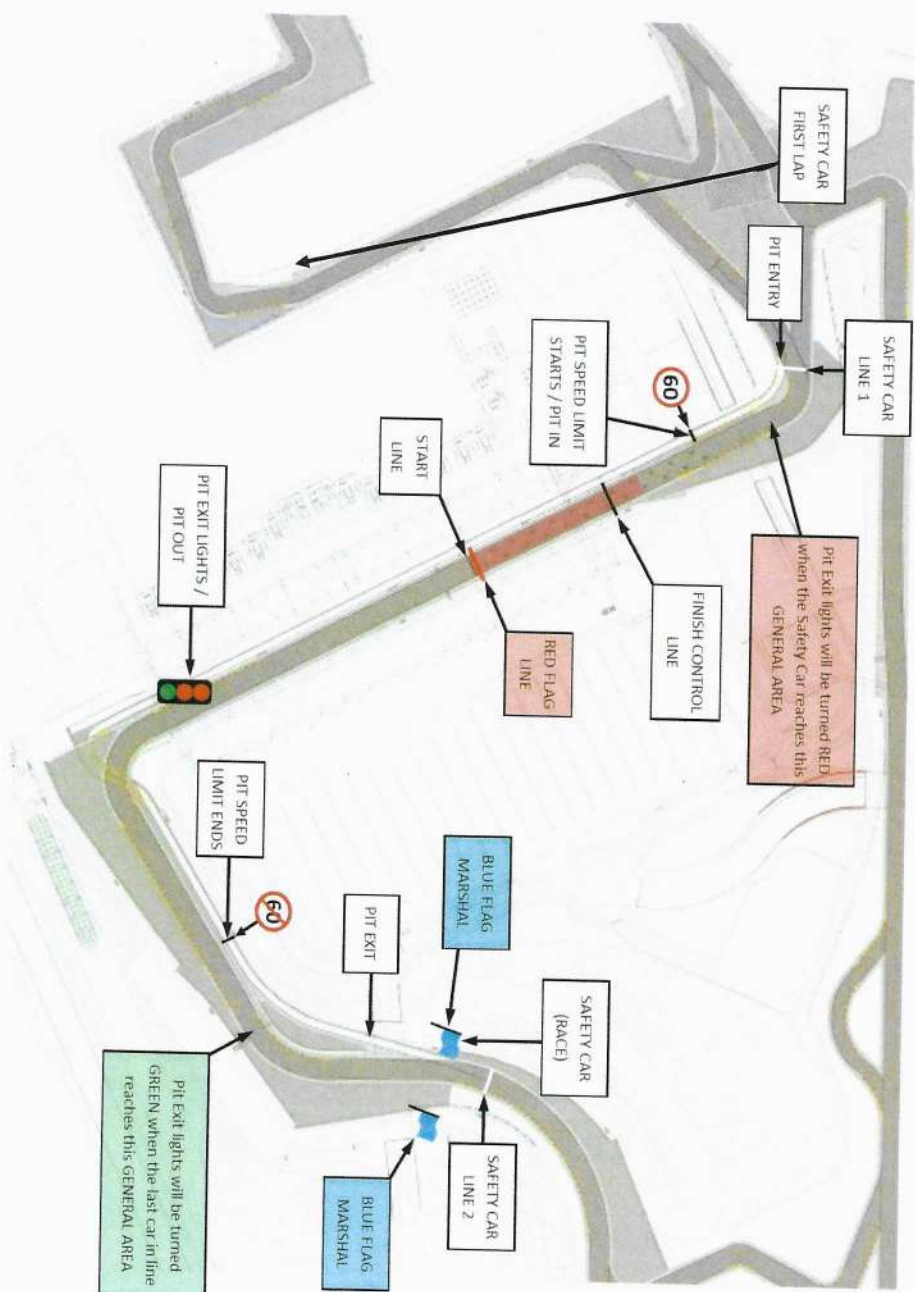
PIT LANE

Grand Prix Circuit
5.291km

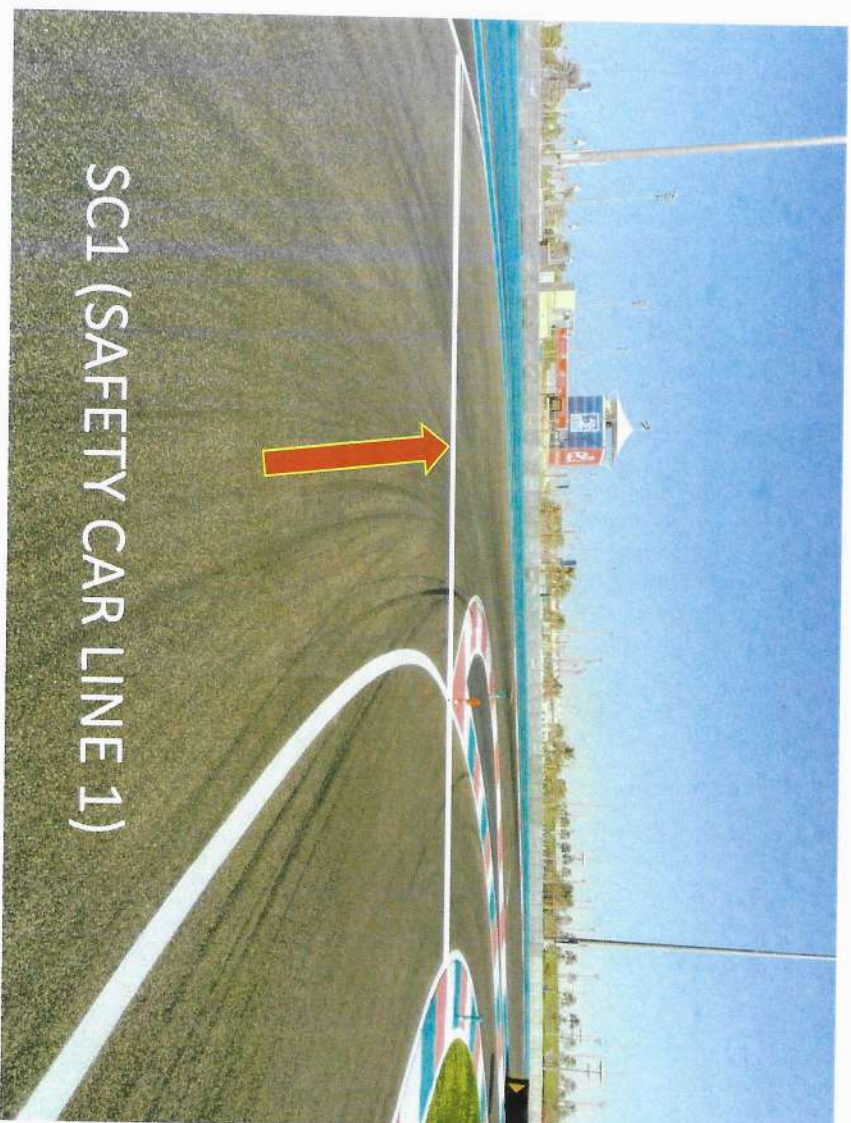


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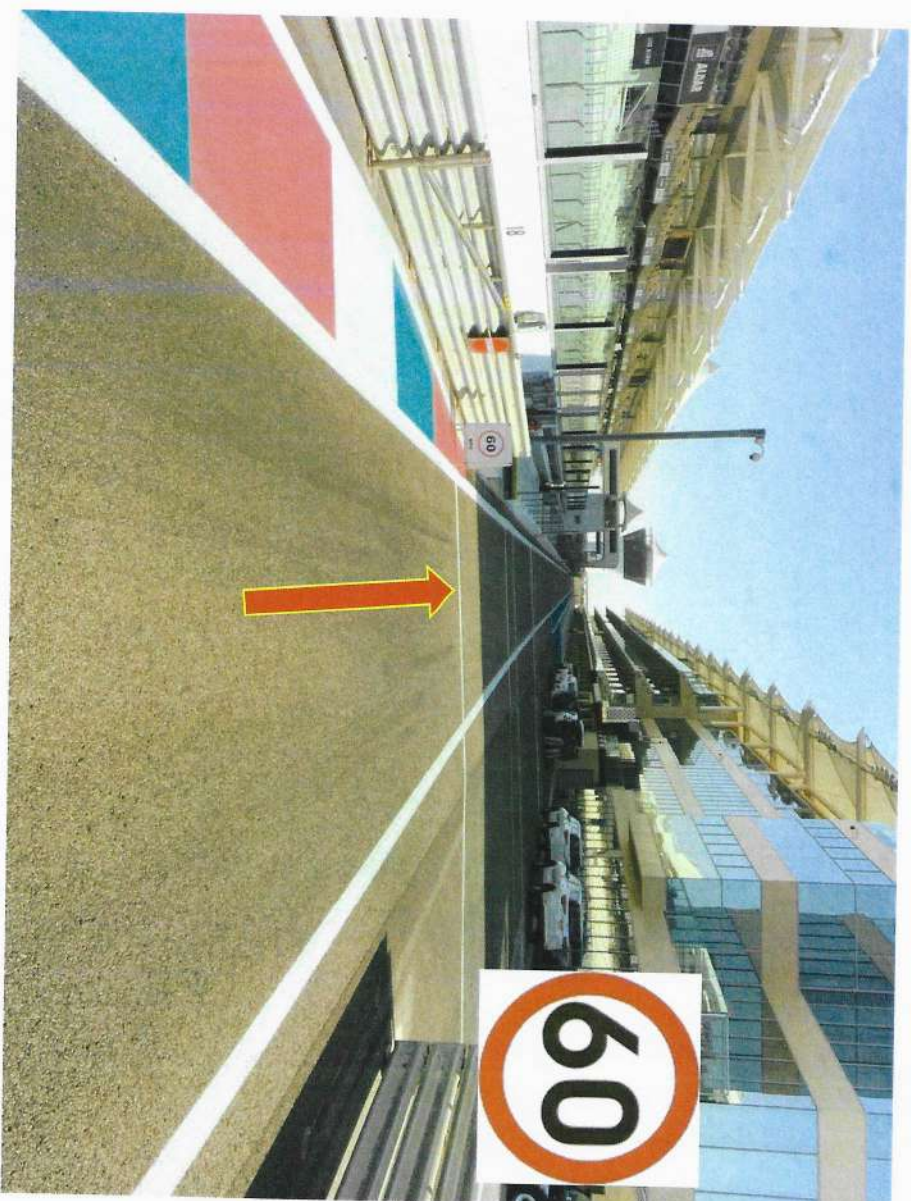


PIT ENTRY



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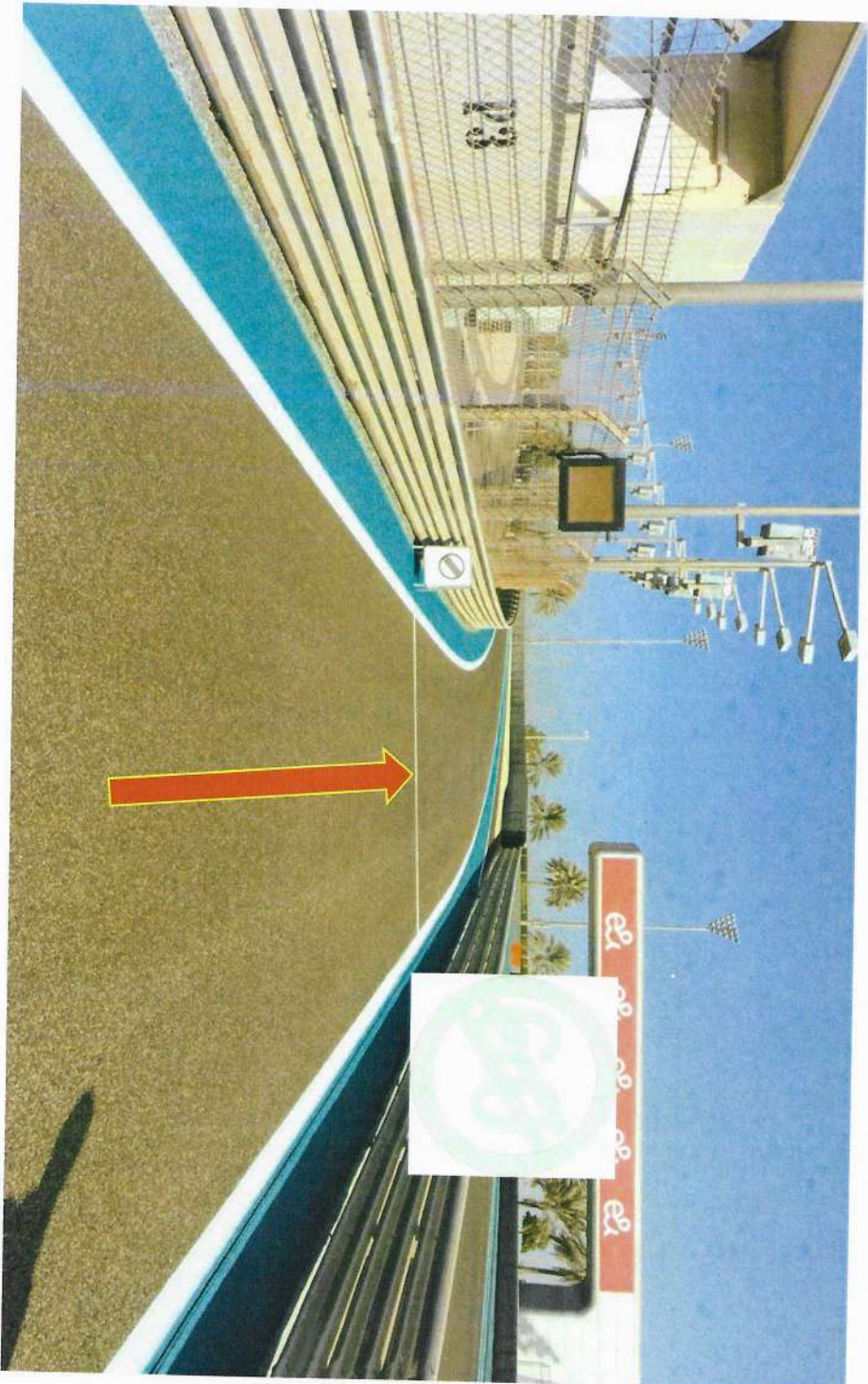


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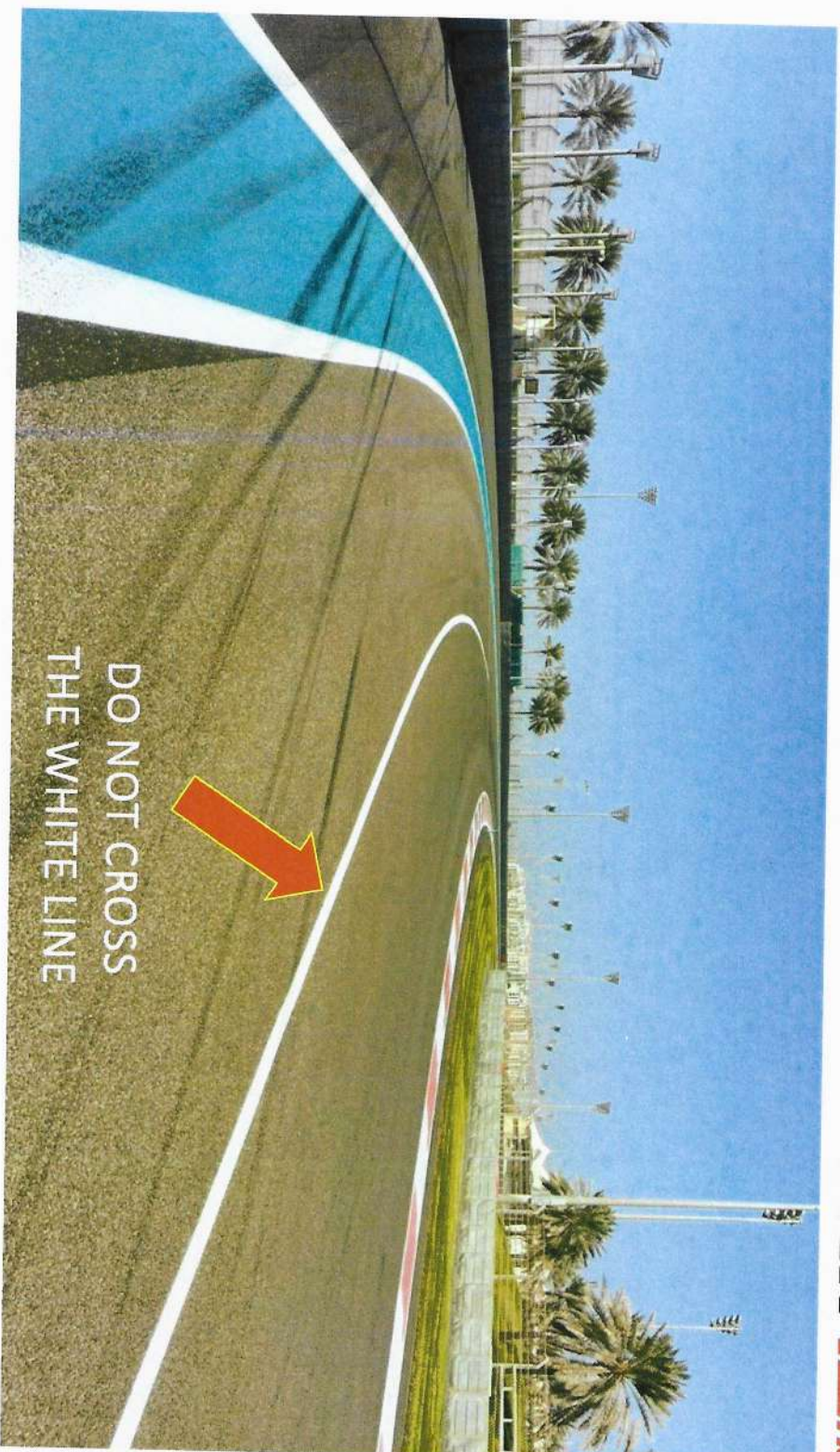


PIT OUT TIMING LINE – SPEED
LIMIT CONTINUES INTO TUNNEL
FOR ANOTHER 279 metres

PIT EXIT



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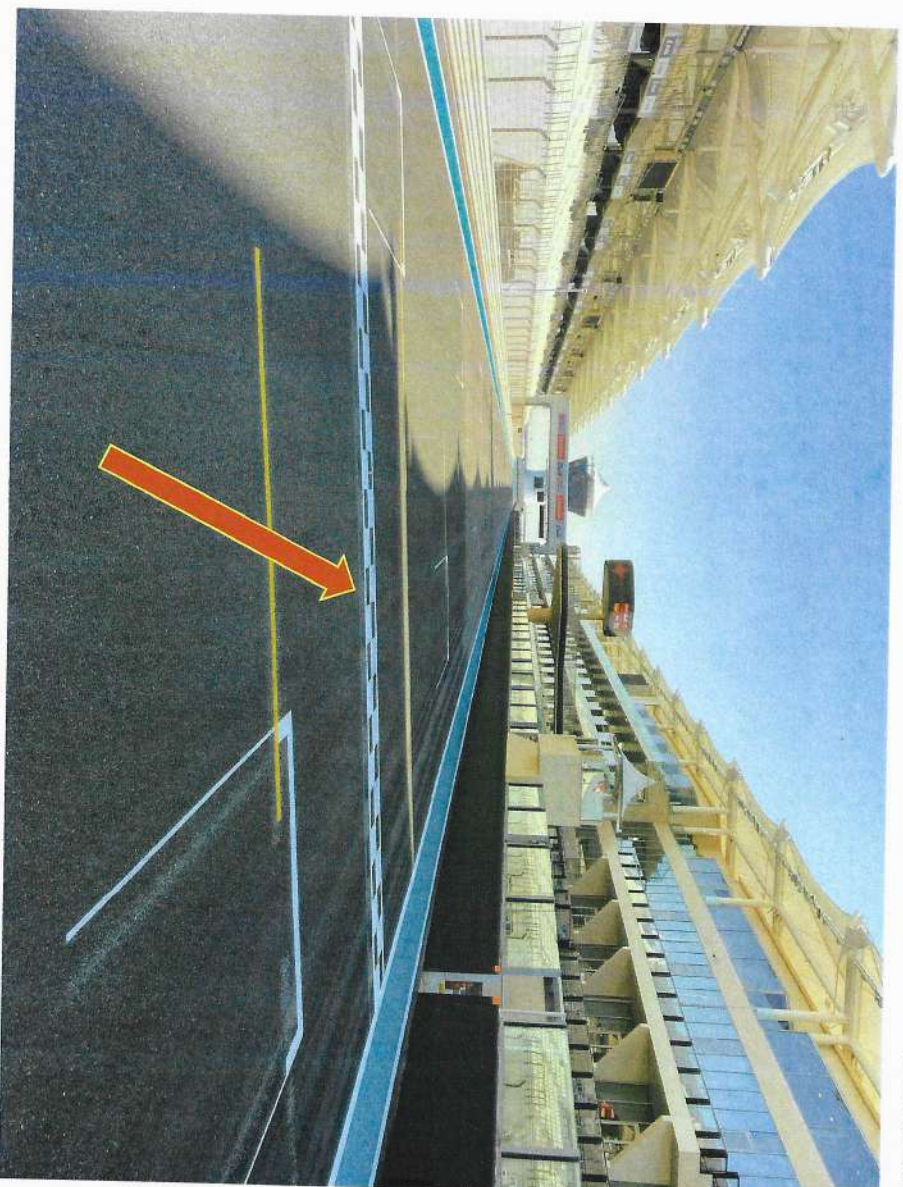


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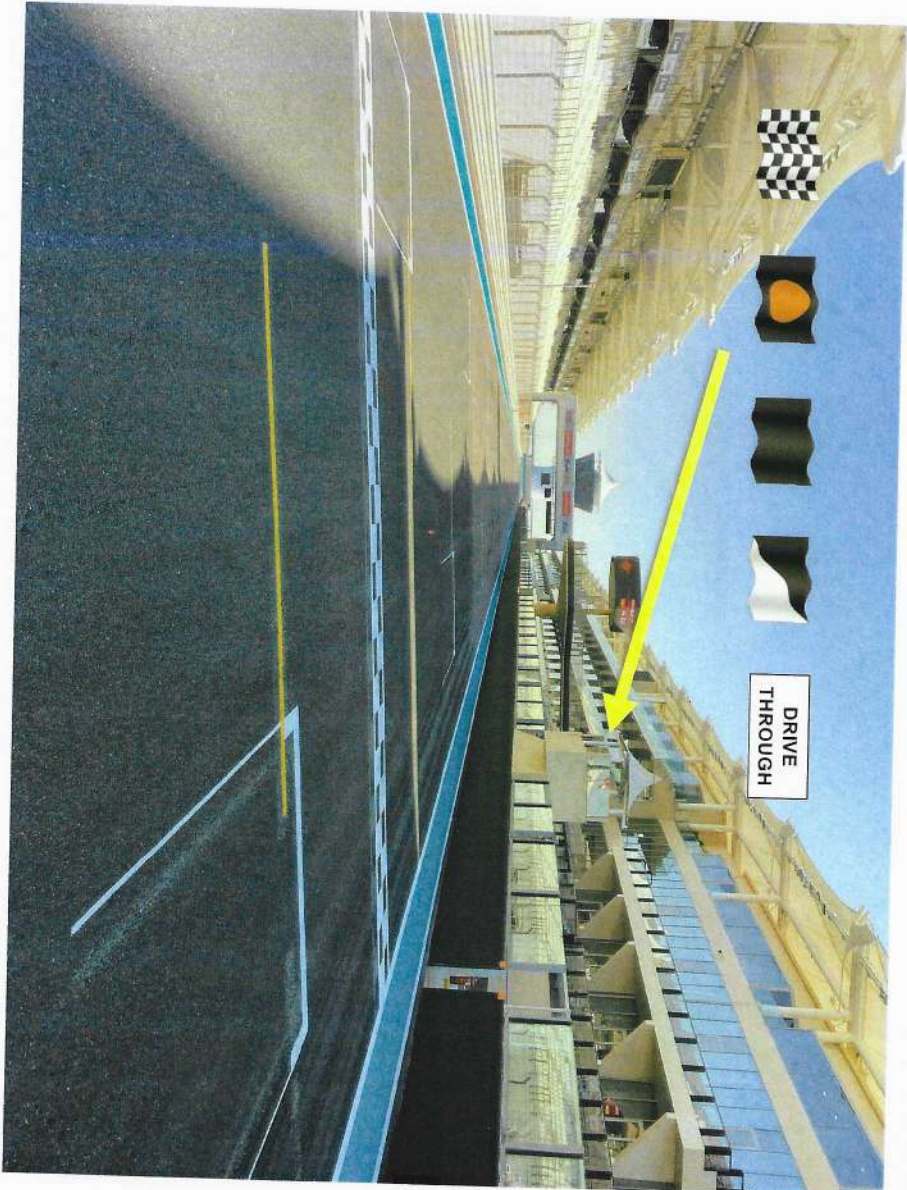
FINISH (CONTROL) LINE

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SIGNALS

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FIRE EXTINGUISHER POINTS





PLACES OF SAFETY



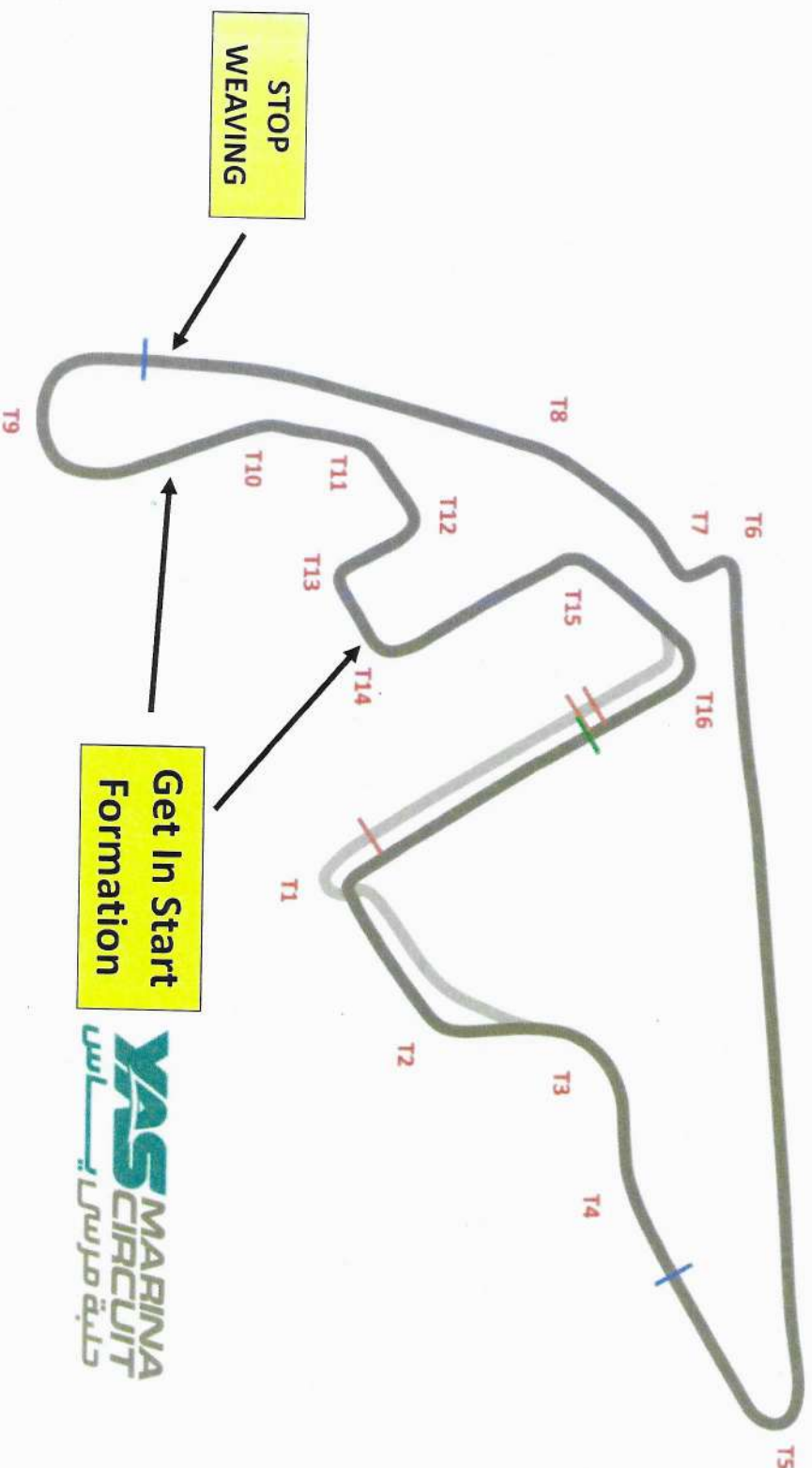


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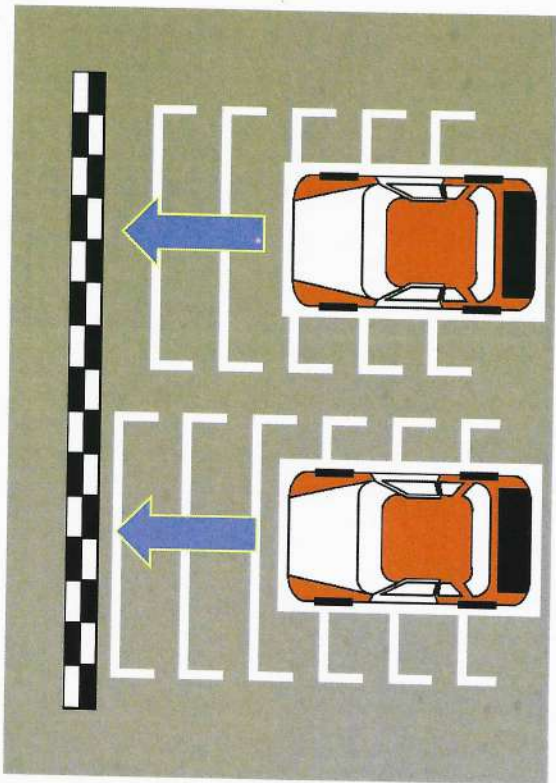
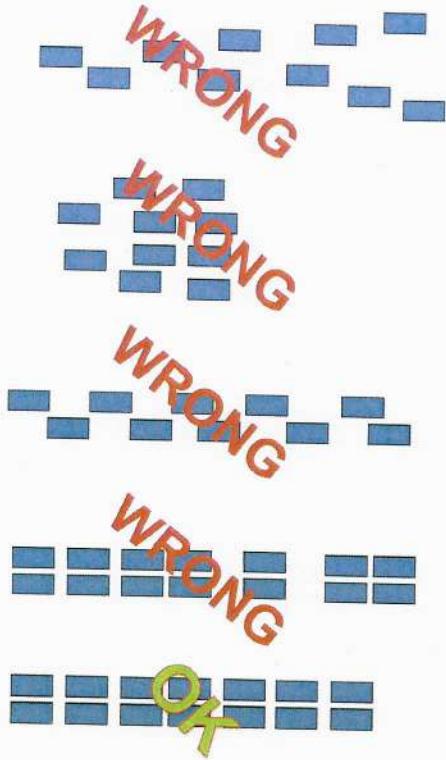


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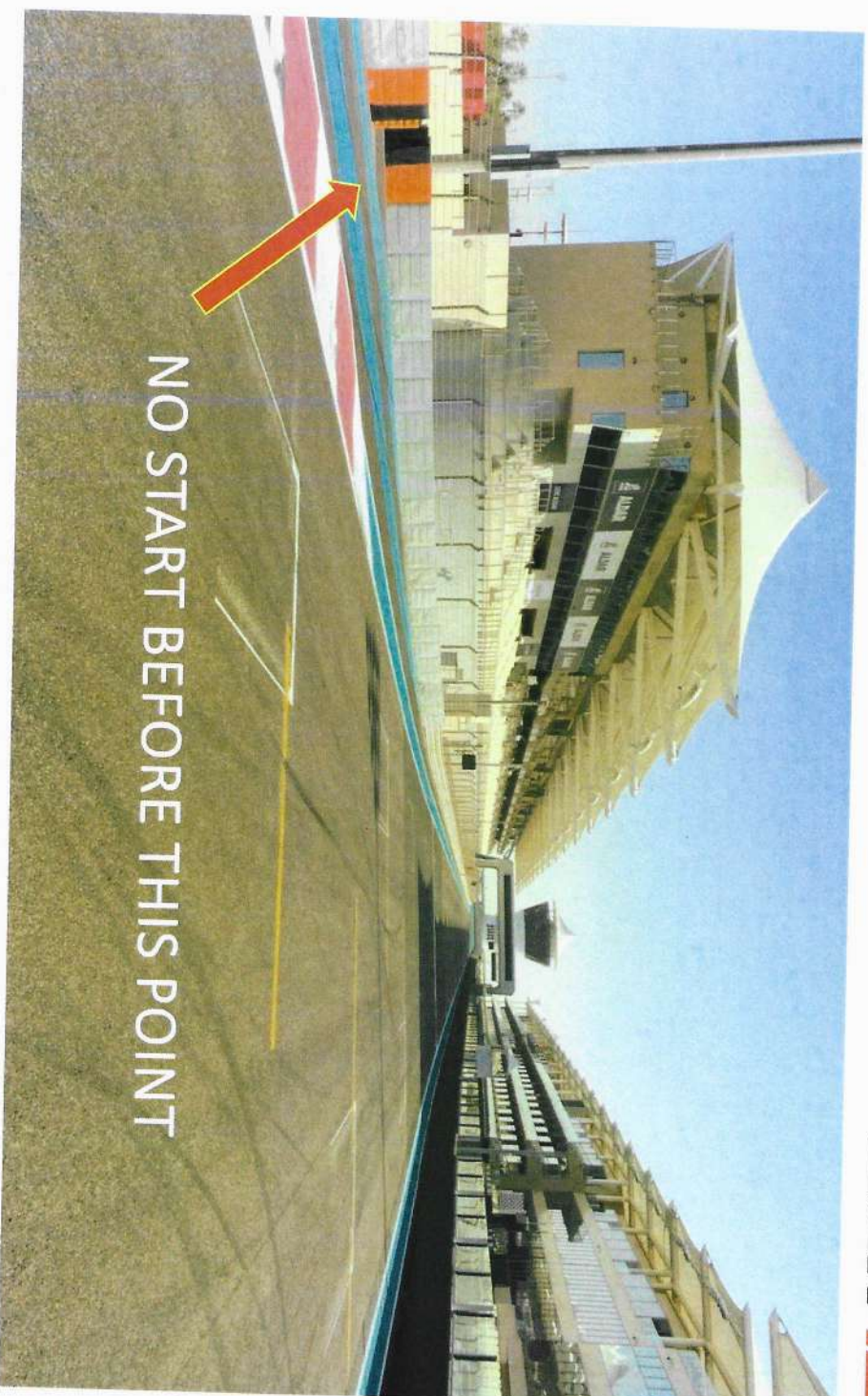


ROLLING START



RACE START

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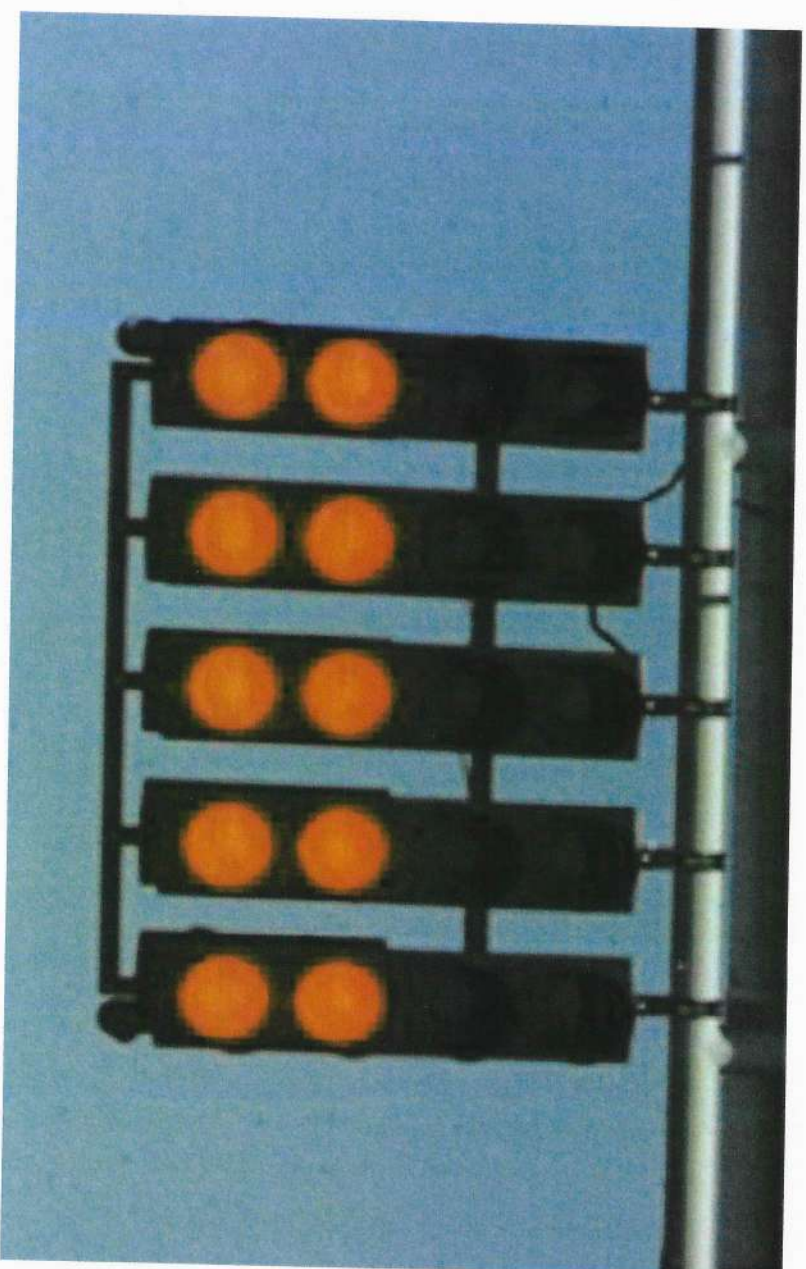


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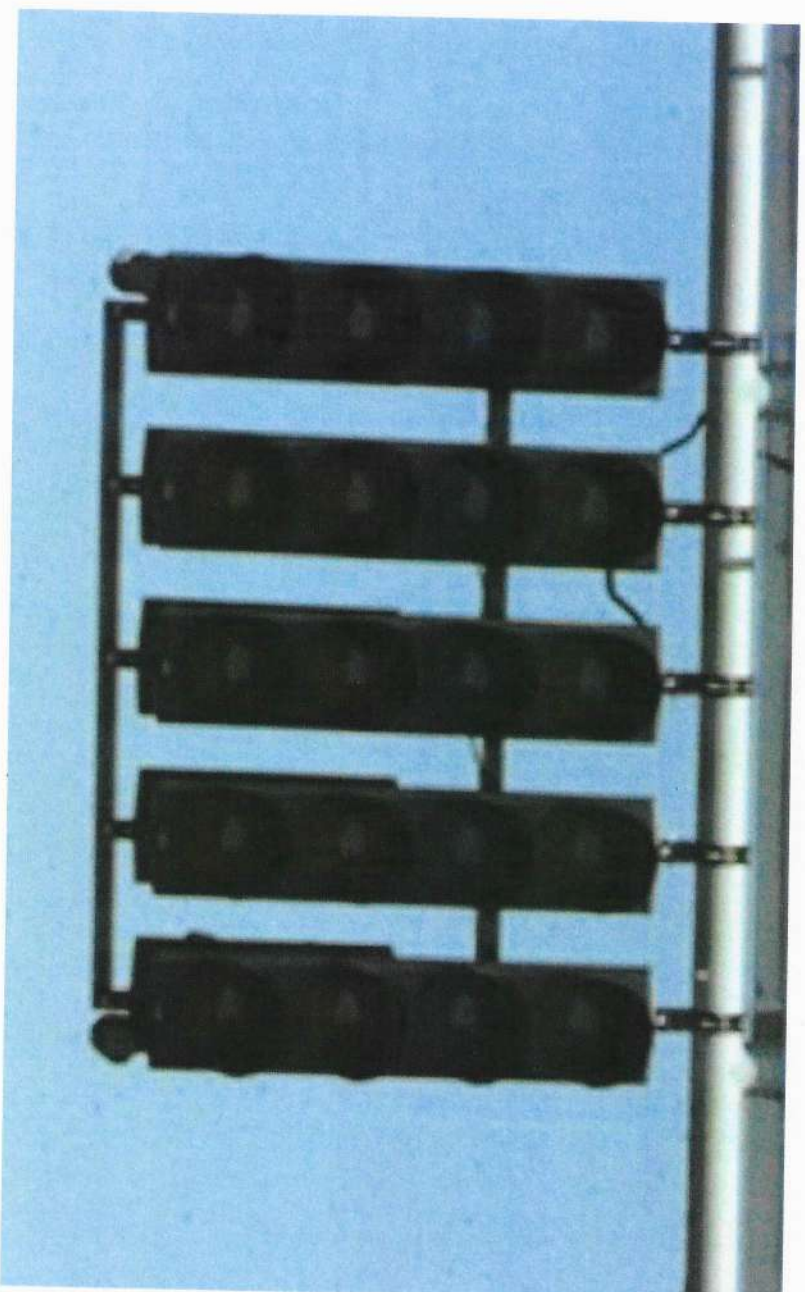
RACE START SEQUENCE

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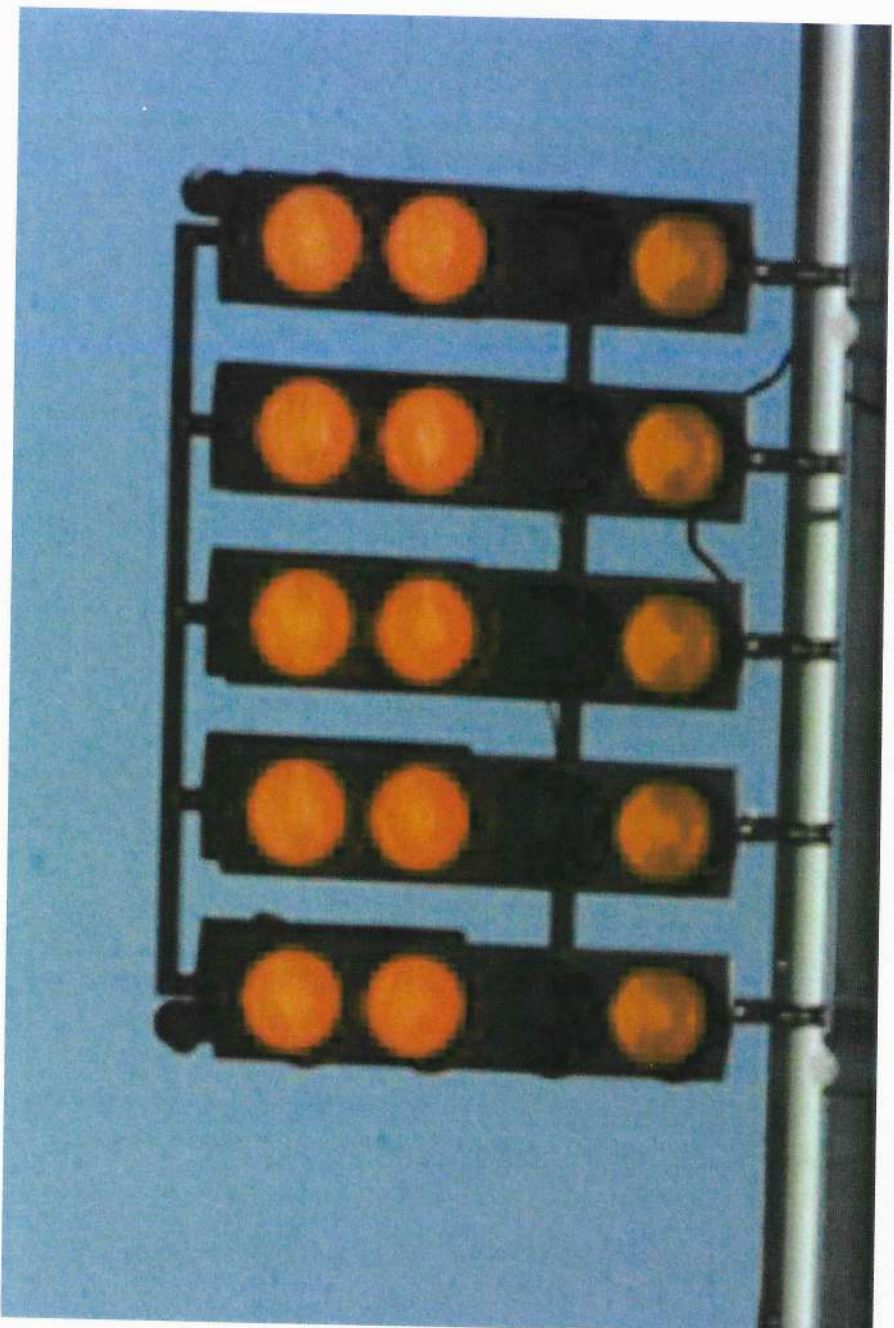


RACE START SIGNAL





RACE START ABORTED



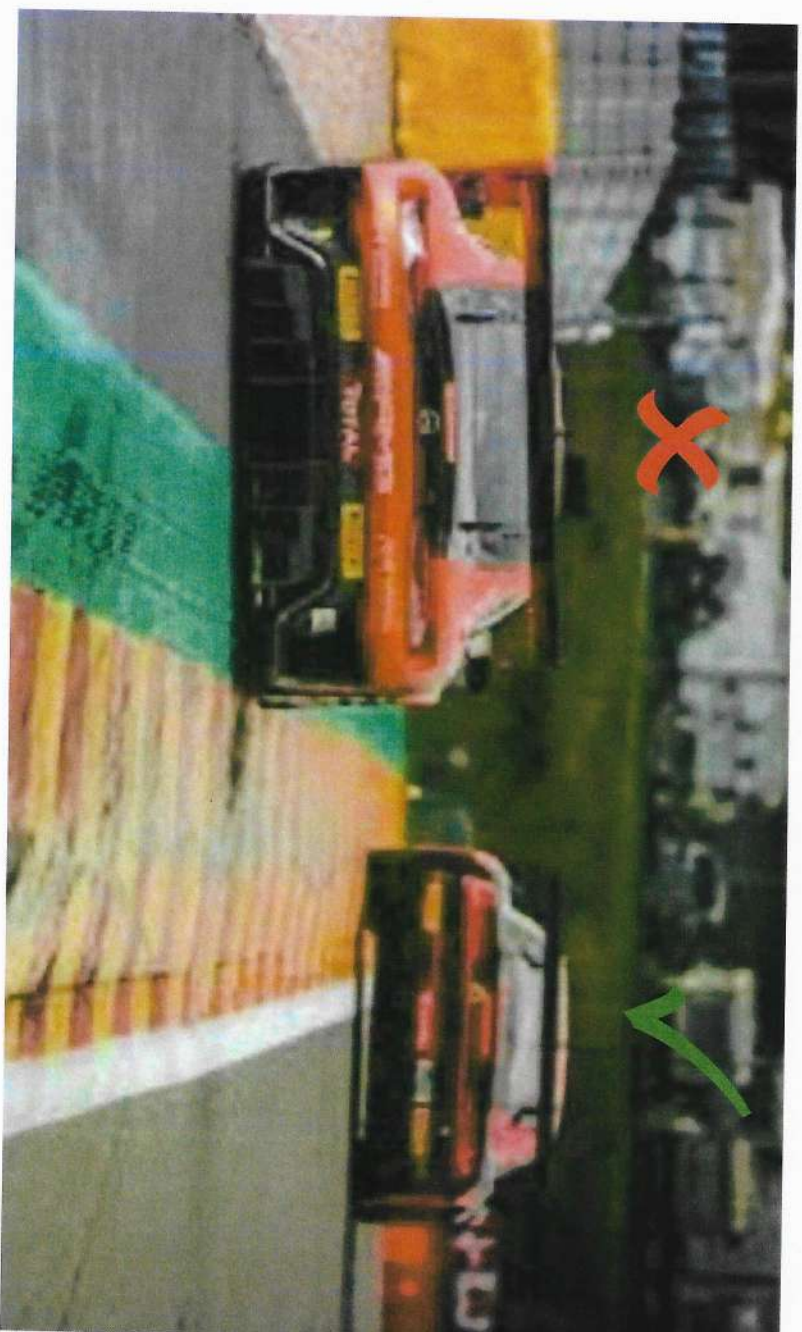


TRACK LIMITS



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TRACK LIMITS

- Track Limits will be monitored at all turns by Judges of Fact.
- There will be no 'tolerance' – the white lines define the edges of the track.
- During free practices and qualifying, the relevant lap time will be cancelled. Any driver repeatedly exceeding the track limits will be warned and reported to the Stewards. Any driver exceeding the track limits at turn 16 will have that the lap time and the following lap time deleted.

TRACK LIMITS

During the race, the procedure for any track limit breaches will be:

- 1st offence – noted.
- 2nd offence – warning over the team radio, where possible.
- 3rd offence – the car will be shown the black/white warning flag, a message will be placed on the timing screen and a message will be sent over the team radio, where possible.
- 4th offence – report to the Stewards who may impose a penalty.
- Once a team manager has been summoned to the Stewards the counter will normally reset to zero.
- The Stewards may impose more severe penalties for cars that repeatedly breach the track limits.



FLAG SIGNALS



FULL COURSE YELLOW



- Countdown from 20 seconds ***“Full Course Yellow in 20 seconds”***
- At 10 seconds, the FCY light panels will be illuminated – NO OVERTAKING
- Countdown over the Team Radio ***“5, 4, 3,”***
- At 0 seconds the FCY light panels will start flashing, all cars must be at 80 kph
- Option A – ***“Restart on short notice”*** - Green Flags at all posts
- Option B – Safety Car to pick up the leader
- No Full Course Yellow for the first three laps of the race



RED FLAG

Slow down to 80 kph – no overtaking

Practice

- return to the pit lane

- the clock will NOT stop

Qualifying

- return to the pit lane

- the clock WILL stop

Race

- proceed slowly to the red flag line (the Start Line) and stop in staggered formation.

- the clock will NOT stop

- Parc Fermé condition, drivers may get out of the cars

- restart (if possible) behind the Safety Car

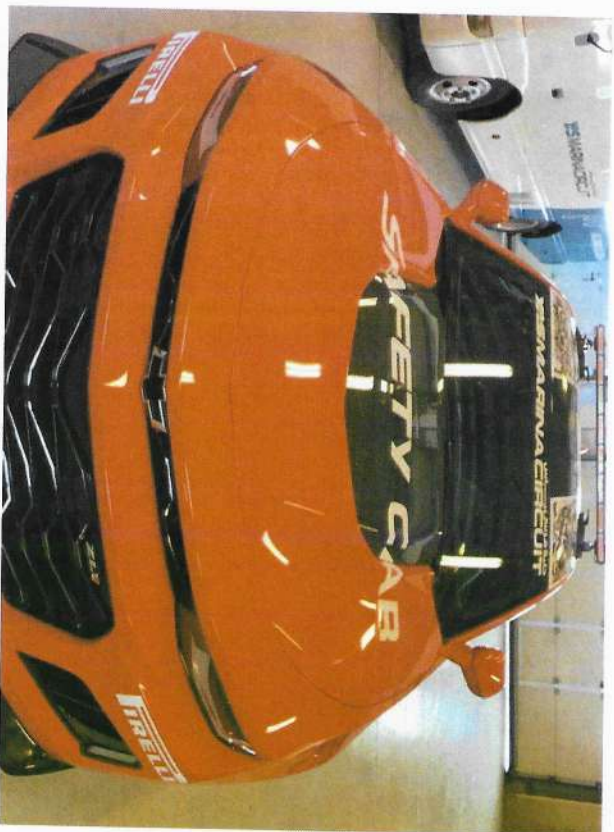


SAFETY CAR





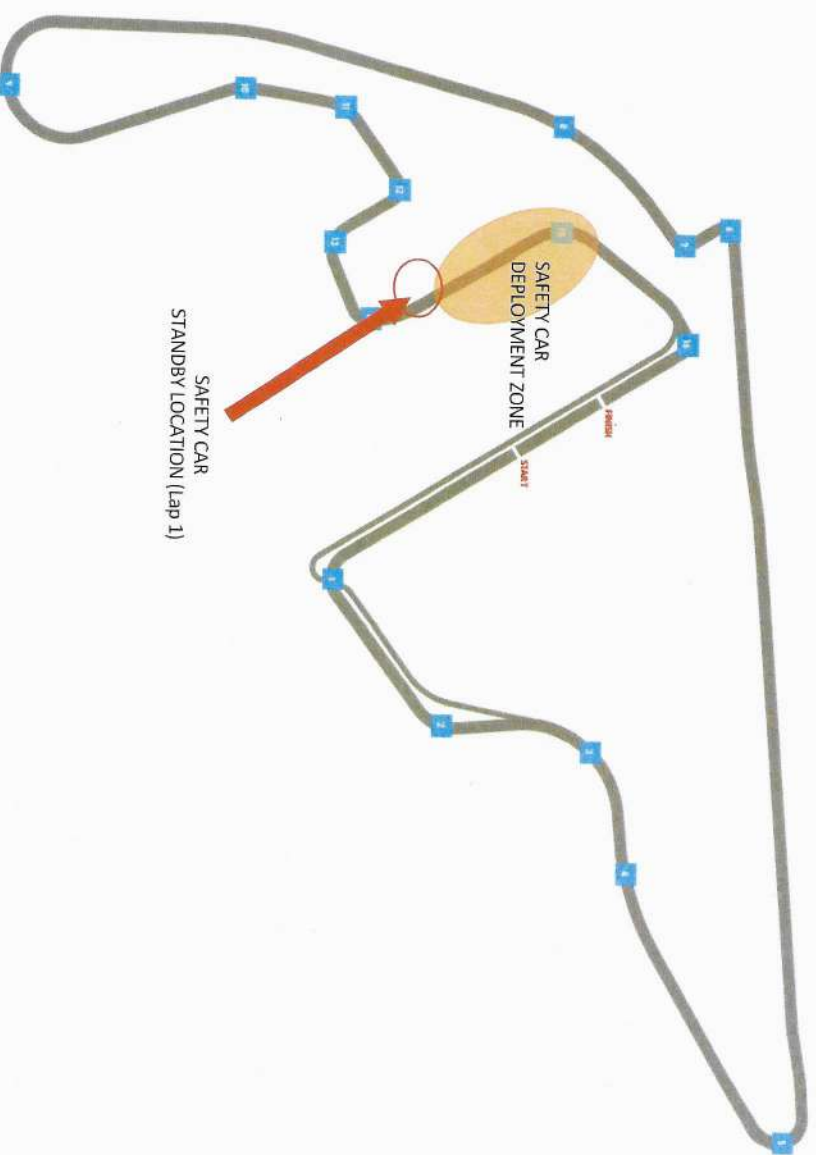
SAFETY CAR



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If a Safety Car is required **on the first lap**, it will be deployed after turn 14.

If you encounter the Safety Car here on the first lap, it **may** lead you through the Pit Lane due to an incident on the main straight.



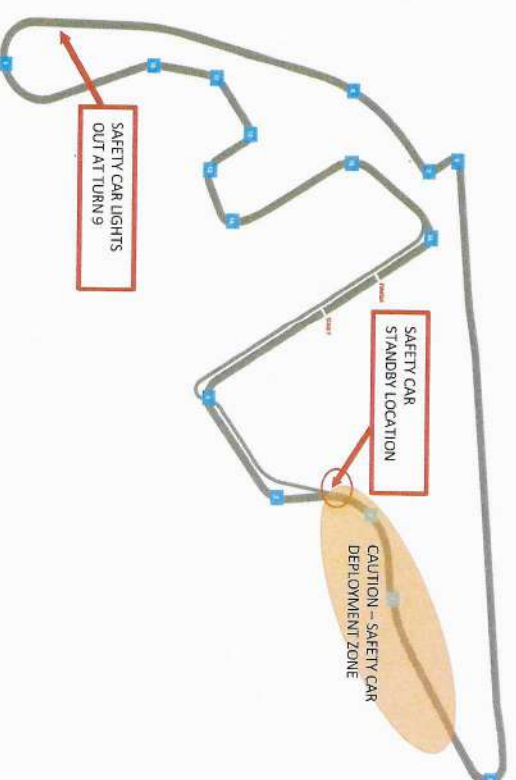


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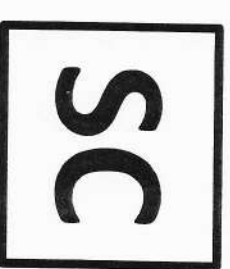
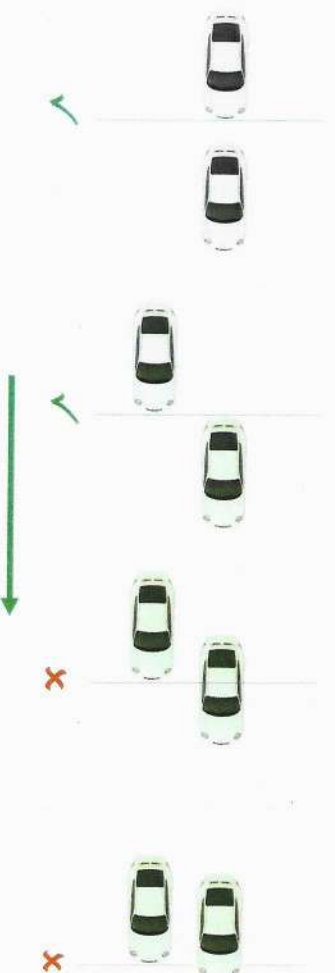
Once racing has resumed, the Safety Car will be re-positioned to its 'Standby' location in a gap behind the barriers at Turn 3, on the DRIVERS LEFT.

If the Safety Car is deployed during the race, all drivers should beware that this is where the Safety Car will normally enter the circuit from.



SAFETY CAR

- Safety Car boards & Yellow Lights and Flags
- All cars to be a maximum of 5 car lengths from the car in front
- Safety Car lights out at Int 2 (turn 9)
- Green for restart at all points
- No overtaking or overlapping prior to crossing the control line





PODIUM & PARC FERME





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CAR RECOVERY



- We will try to recover cars to the pits as soon as possible
- There will be no 'live recoveries', all will be under FCY or Safety Car.
- Recovery is unlikely in qualifying and during the last 30 minutes of the race.
- Assist the marshals, follow instructions if towed.
- Stay close to your car but in a place of safety.



THANK YOU – ANY QUESTIONS?

HAVE A SAFE AND ENJOYABLE WEEKEND