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[These notes supersede those issued on 17/04/2014 – Document 2]

1) <u>Issues arising from the Bahrain Grand Prix</u>

- 2) Changes to the circuit
- 2.1 Other than routine maintenance no changes have been made since the 2013 race.
- 3) Pit lane map
- **3.1** Safety Car lines.
- 3.2 The location of the pit entry and the pit exit.
- **3.3** Designated garage areas.
- 3.4 Safety Car position for first lap and rest of race.
- 3.5 Blue flag marshal.
- 3.6 Safety Car "arrow man".

4) Weighing and weighing platform

- The weighing platform will be open between the following times, each visit should last no more than 10 minutes unless no other team is waiting in the pit lane:
 - a) From 09.00 Thursday until 13.30 on Saturday (between 12.00 and 13.30 each visit will be restricted to five minutes).
 - b) From when the cars are returned to the teams after qualifying until 18.30 on Saturday.
 - c) From 10.00 until 14.00 on Sunday.

Any team found to be abusing the time limits set out above, which we will be enforced by FIA security personnel and our own CCTV, will not be permitted to use the weighbridge again during the Event.

5) Practice starts

- 5.1 Practice starts may only be carried out on the left (in the fast lane) at the pit exit before the end of the pit wall. Drivers must leave adequate room on their right for another driver to pass.
- 5.2 During the time that the pit exit is open for reconnaissance laps (14.30-14.45 on Sunday) practice starts should be carried out on the track after leaving the pit lane, but without crossing the dotted white line referred to in 6.3 below. Drivers wishing to carry out a start should stop on the right in order to allow other cars to pass on their left.

During this time any driver passing a car which has stopped to carry out a practice start may cross the white line that is referred to in 6.1 below. Any driver crossing this line must move back to the right of it as quickly as possible.

6) Lines, bollards and flags at the pit entry and pit exit

- 6.1 In accordance with Chapter 4 (Section 5) of Appendix L to the ISC drivers must keep to the right of the white line at the pit exit when leaving the pits.
- 6.2 For safety reasons drivers must keep to the right of the bollard at the pit entry.
- **6.3** The dotted white line across the pit exit is the track edge.
- 6.4 If there is a yellow flag waved on the driver's right at the beginning of the pit entry it will be warning of an incident around the corner of the pit entry. This flag is not intended for drivers staying on the track and competing a lap.

7) <u>DRS</u>

- **7.1** DRS will be globally disabled if panels 1, 16, 17 or 20 are displaying yellow.
- **7.2** Detection will be automatically disabled if the light panels below are displaying yellow:

Zone 1: Panels 13, 14 or 15.

Zone 2: Panels 18 or 19.

7.3 If automatic detection is not working, and permission has been given by race control to use manual detection, DRS should not be used in the relevant zone if panels 13, 14, 15, 18 or 19 are displaying yellow.

8) Light panels

8.1 The FIA light panels have been installed in the positions shown on the circuit map. In accordance with Appendix H to the ISC the light signals have the same meaning as flag signals.

9) Drivers leaving their pit stop position in the pit lane

- **9.1** For safety reasons, no car should be driven from its pit stop position at any time unless:
 - a) It has first been driven into the pit stop position having just entered the pit lane from the track, and;
 - b) It is then driven immediately back onto the track from the pit stop position.

10) Fire extinguishers around the circuit

10.1 Indicated by small fluorescent orange boards.

11) Places to remove cars from the track

11.1 Indicated by fluorescent orange panels on the walls or guardrails.

12) Support races

12.1 Teams are asked to keep their barriers no more than five metres from the garages during the support race sessions and races.

13) Post qualifying parc fermé

13.1 The cameras should be installed and operated in the same way as 2013.

14) Removing cars from the grid

14.1 Two gates in the pit wall, beside grid positions 5 and 18.

15) Car number boards for the starts

15.1 On the driver's right.

16) Post race parc fermé

16.1 All cars must enter the pit lane and proceed directly to the weighing area.

17) Any other business

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