

## **2019 AUSTRALIAN GRAND PRIX**

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## **Note to Teams**

The Post-qualifying interview procedure will be similar to 2018 with the top three drivers again be interviewed as soon as they get out of their cars on the track.

Should either of your drivers be among the top three at the end of qualifying we would like to ask for your co-operation in following the procedure below:

- If they take the chequered flag at the end of Q3, the fastest three drivers should complete the lap and go to the main straight where the 1, 2, 3 boards which will be located in the vicinity of grid position 9.
- Other than the team mechanics (with cooling fans if necessary), officials and accredited television crews and photographers, no one else will be allowed on the designated area at this time (no driver physios nor team PR personnel).
- Once out of their cars the interviews will take place in this designated area. The interviewer will be Paul di Resta.
- Due to the tight event schedule, mechanics will be authorized to remove the cars from the grid before the interviews are completed and should push these cars directly to the parc fermé.
- If one of the top three drivers is in the pit lane at the end of the session the team should ensure that he goes directly to the designated area once the other drivers have arrived there.
- At the end of the live interviews the drivers will walk through the pit wall door towards the parc fermé and then be led to the backdrop, located in the corridor between paddock and pit lane below the podium, for the AfRS photo opportunity.
- The pole position driver should then remain in front of the AfRS backdrop to receive the Pirelli Pole Position Award from 1980 Formula 1 World Champion Alan Jones.
  - o These three drivers will be weighed by the FIA next to the AfRS backdrop.
- The drivers will then be escorted by the FIA Press Delegate to the press conference room located in the Media Centre building.
- At the end of the press conference, the top three drivers should go to the TV pen and they may be accompanied by their press officers.
- NB: Drivers eliminated in Q1 and Q2, drivers classified from 4th to 10th in Q3 and drivers who did not participate to Q1 but are eligible to race must also attend the TV pen interview session.

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