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In addition to the provisions of the 2020 Formula One Sporting Regulations – Appendix 3 Podium Ceremony, as this is a Closed Event the Podium Ceremony procedure detailed below must be followed.

**The initial parts of this Post Race Procedure will be substantially different to previous races.**

Podium Ceremony and Post Race Interview Procedure:

- The master of ceremonies will be appointed by the FIA to conduct and take responsibility for the entire podium ceremony.
- Drivers who finish the race in the top three positions are permitted to drive to the start/finish straight, where there will be the opportunity for post-championship celebrations should they wish to do so. Otherwise they should proceed directly to the pit lane entry where they will find the boards showing positions from 1,2, 3 located in front of the Race Control Tower.
- Should a driver decide to celebrate on the start/finish straight, they must do so near to the finish line, as their car will be pushed back through the gate in the pit wall at this location and into parc fermé.
- Other than the team mechanics (with cooling fans if necessary), officials and FIA pre-approved television crews and the three FIA approved photographers, no one else will be allowed in the designated area at this time (no driver physios nor team PR personnel).
- Once out of their cars, the top three Drivers will be weighed by the FIA in Parc Fermé. Each Driver must remain fully attired until after they have been weighed (e.g.: Helmet, Gloves, etc.).
- For the duration of the Podium Ceremony and Post Race Interview Procedure, the Drivers finishing in race in positions 1, 2, 3 must remain attired only in their Driving Suits, 'done up' to the neck, not opened to the waist. For the avoidance of doubt this includes a Medical Face Mask or Team Branded Face Mask only as provided in the Parc Fermé Area by the master of ceremonies.
- After the Drivers have been weighed, the post-race interviews will take place in this designated area, and the interviewer will be Martin Brundle.
- Drivers must not interfere with Parc Fermé protocols in any way.
- During this time, team members of the top three drivers will be permitted to access their allocated areas in the Pit Lane.
- Once the interviews have been completed, the cool down area, where water and towels will be positioned for each Driver, will be located underneath the podium. No other drinks are permitted in the Parc Fermé area.
- Each Driver will be given their Pirelli Caps which will also contain a Medical Face Mask both of which must be worn during the Podium Ceremony.
- The drivers will then be escorted to the permanent Podium area where the 1, 2, 3 Rostrum and Dias will be located.
- When the Drivers are ready, an announcement for the Podium Ceremony will take place with the 3<sup>rd</sup> and 2<sup>nd</sup> placed Drivers introduced to move to their respective Podium Dias steps.

- The Winning Constructor representative will be announced and will move to their position on the podium.
- The Winning Driver will then be announced who will move to his position on the Podium.
- The National Anthems will then take place and flags will be displayed.
- There will be two Dignitaries on the Podium to present the trophies.
- The Master of Ceremonies will present all 4 trophies.
- The Trophy Presentations will take place on the Podium in the following order:
  - Winning Driver
  - A representative of the Winning Constructor
  - 2<sup>nd</sup> Place Driver
  - 3<sup>rd</sup> Place Driver
- The winning Celebrations will the take place.
- For the duration of the TV pen interviews and FIA Post Race Press Conference, all Drivers finishing must remain attired in their respective teams' uniform only. For the avoidance of doubt this includes a Medical Face Mask or Team Branded Face Mask.
- Following the Podium Ceremony, the top three drivers will be escorted by the FIA Media Delegate to the TV pen located at the Pit Entry end of the Formula 1 Paddock where they may be accompanied by their press officers.
- At the end of the TV pen, the top three drivers will go to the FIA Press Conference, located on the ground floor of the Media Centre Building at the back of the paddock.
- Drivers classified from 4<sup>th</sup> and beyond must proceed directly to the TV pen immediately after they have been weighed in the Parc Fermé, located in the FIA garage. Each Driver must remain fully attired until after they have been weighed (e.g.: Helmet, Gloves, etc.).
- Drivers who retired during the race are required to go to the TV pen as soon as they have come back into the paddock.

Please see the attached Post Race Podium Ceremony and Parc Fermé Diagram.

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