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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.

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 will be required to return to Pit Lane without dropping back in order to return to the Pit Lane amongst the 'first' cars, where they will find the boards showing positions from 1, 2, 3 located at the pit lane entry in front of the Race Control Tower.
- 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 near their cars. 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 David Coulthard.
- 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.
- If the World Drivers' Championship is decided during this race and the Champion does not finish in the top 3, he must go to the Parc Fermé area for a TV interview following the interviews of the top 3 finishers. The Champion must then complete the TV pen and go to the Press Conference Room for a Champions' Press Conference that will follow the top 3 Press Conference.
- 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 3rd and 2nd 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 no Dignitaries on the Podium.
- The Master of Ceremonies will present all 4 trophies.
- The Trophy Presentations will take place in the following order:
 - Winning Driver (On the Podium)
 - A representative of the Winning Constructor (On the Podium)
 - 2nd Place Driver (On the Podium)
 - 3rd Place Driver (On the Podium)
- The Champagne Celebrations will 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 first floor of the Pit Building Complex in the paddock.
- Drivers classified from 4th 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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