



2013 BAHRAIN GRAND PRIX

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Note to Teams

For the Bahrain Grand Prix we will once again be disabling the telemetry link between race control and the cars. The consequences for the race will be :

1. None of the red, yellow or blue cockpit lights will work.
 2. At the start of the race DRS will be automatically enabled once each car has crossed the Line to complete two laps.
 3. There will be no automatic blue flag messages on the Official Messaging System. As before we will do our best to give as much information from race control as we can, however, it will be even more important that teams do what they can to ensure their drivers respect blue flags.
 4. If the safety car is deployed Safety Car Mode will have to be selected manually by the driver immediately after he sees either the SC light panels or SC boards being held out by marshals. Drivers should not wait until they are told to select this mode by their teams.
 5. If the safety car is deployed a message saying "DRS DISABLED" will be displayed, and, from this point, drivers must not use DRS until the message "DRS ENABLED" is shown two laps after the safety car returns to the pits.
 6. If yellow flags or lights are displayed in a DRS activation zone "DRS DISABLED IN ACTIVATION ZONE X" will be displayed, depending upon which zone the flag is being shown in, from this point drivers must not use DRS in the relevant activation zone until the message "DRS ENABLED IN ACTIVATION ZONE X" appears.
- As these messages will not appear unless there is a yellow light or flag being shown in an activation zone, drivers should simply not use DRS in the relevant zone if they see a light or flag, again, they should not wait until they are told to do so by their team.
7. In conditions of poor visibility a message saying "DRS DISABLED" may be displayed, therefore, from this point, drivers must not use DRS until the message "DRS ENABLED" is shown.

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