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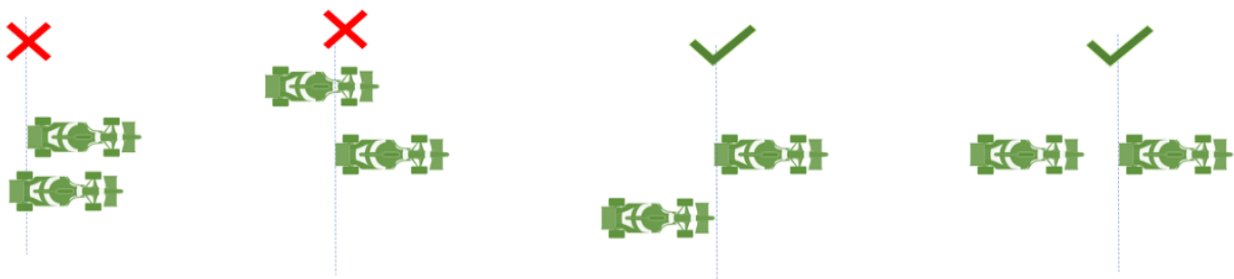
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Race Director's Event Notes - General Instructions and Information

1. **Pit Lane map** – see separate document, to be published.
 - 1.1. Safety Car lines.
 - 1.2. The location of the pit entry and the Pit Exit.
 - 1.3. Designated garage areas.
 - 1.4. Safety Car position for first lap and rest of race.
 - 1.5. Blue flag marshal at the Pit Exit.
 - 1.6. Track light panels displaying pit entry status.
 - 1.7. Pit Stop Position.
2. **Pirelli Event Preview.**
 - 2.1. With reference to Article 10.4.3 (e) of the Technical Regulations see the attached document provided by the official tyre supplier.
3. **Pre & Post Session / Race Procedure from support paddock to F1 Pit Lane**
 - 3.1. For the transfer procedures from the support Pit Lane to the F1 Pit Lane, prior to all sessions and races, only the set of installation tyres detailed in Article 24.1 of the Sporting Regulations can be used.
 - 3.2. A detailed description and further information of this procedure (Pit Lane order and timings) are described in the attached document – F2 Pit Procedures.
4. **Wheel/Tyre Protocols**
 - 4.1. F2 Tyre Schedule *to follow in v2*
 - 4.2. Refer to attached document – Race Director's Communications – Tyres and Pit Stop Procedures
 - 4.3. In accordance with Article 37.4 of the Sporting Regulations, "fully fitted" means that all work relating to the wheels, including checking the torque of the wheel nuts, must be completed before the three-minute signal. Tyre pressure checks are permitted until team personnel are required to be clear of the grid.
5. **Track light panels.**
 - 5.1. The FIA track 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.
 - 5.2. In case of an incident, the yellow and double yellow light panels will be mirrored on the following panels:
 - Panel 10 will mirror Panel 11
 - Panel 7 will mirror Panel 8
6. **Pit Lane Safety** (see F2 Sporting Regulations Article 28.14)
 - 6.1. For safety reasons, during practice and qualifying drivers must not do burnouts from their pit stop position, for the avoidance of doubt this also applies when the Pit Exit is open for reconnaissance laps.
 - 6.2. It is not permitted to do burnouts or clutch bite points checks in the paddock, support Pit Lane, garage areas and in the Pit Lane at any time during the Competition.
 - 6.3. For safety reasons, any driver released from their pit stop position must move to the fast lane as quickly as possible, drivers must not drive side by side with another car.
 - 6.4. For safety reasons and sporting equity, drivers must not drive through another team's pit bay at any time.
 - 6.5. At no time may wheel nuts be left on the ground in the Pit Lane.
7. **Fuel pressure release in Parc Fermé** (see F2 Sporting Regulations Article 45).
 - 7.1. For safety reasons, Competitors are authorised to appoint one team member to release the pressure

inside the fuel cell when the cars return after each session. In addition, they are authorized to attach fans to the car in the Parc Fermé.

- 7.2. When the cars are in the Parc Fermé, this team member must request authorisation to the FIA Technical Delegate on site and they are only authorized to perform the action specified above.
- 7.3. Competitors are authorised to appoint one operational staff member to download data in Parc Fermé. When the cars are in the Parc Fermé, this operational staff member must request authorisation to the FIA Technical Delegate on site and they are only authorized to perform the action specified above.
8. **Observing yellow flags during free practice and qualifying.**
 - 8.1. Single waved: Drivers should reduce their speed and be prepared to change direction. It must be clear that a driver has reduced speed and, in order for this to be clear, a driver would be expected to have braked earlier and/or discernibly reduced speed in the relevant marshalling sector.
 - 8.2. Double waved: Any driver passing through a double waved yellow marshalling sector must reduce speed significantly and be prepared to change direction or stop. In order for the stewards to be satisfied that any such driver has complied with these requirements it must be clear that he has not attempted to set a meaningful lap time, for practical purposes this means any driver in a double yellow sector will have that lap time deleted.
 - 8.3. Double Waved during VSC or SC: Any driver passing through a double waved yellow marshalling sector, in addition to the requirement in 8.2 above, must remain positive of the delta time in the sector concerned.
9. **Lapping during the race.**
 - 9.1. The ISC requires drivers who are caught by another car about to lap him to allow the faster driver past at the first available opportunity. The F1 Marshalling System has been developed in order to ensure that the point at which a driver is shown blue flags is consistent, rather than trusting the ability of marshals to identify situations that require blue flags.
 - 9.2. The system will be set to give a pre-warning when the faster car is within 3.0s of the car about to be lapped, this should be used by the team of the slower car to warn their driver he is soon going to be lapped and that allowing the faster car through should be considered a priority. When the faster car is within 1.2s of the car about to be lapped blue flags will be shown to the slower car (in addition to blue light panels, blue cockpit lights and a message on the timing monitors) and the driver must allow the following driver to overtake at the first available opportunity.
 - 9.3. It should be noted that the aim of using F1MS is to ensure consistent application of the rules, additional instructions may also be given by race control when necessary.
10. **Safety Car Procedure / End of VSC period (see F2 Sporting Regulations Articles 40 & 41)**
 - 10.1. In order to avoid the likelihood of accidents before the safety car returns to the pits, from the point at which the lights on the car are turned out drivers must proceed at a pace which involves no erratic acceleration or braking nor any manoeuvre which is likely to endanger other drivers or impede the restart.
 - 10.2. At the end of each VSC procedure, Drivers must follow their delta time until the “VSC” on the FIA Light panels have changed to green.
 - 10.3. The positioning of the cars in both procedures (Safety Car and VSC) must comply with the below drawing:



- 10.4. To reduce the risk of an incident at the restart, weaving is not permitted from the exit of Turn 20, at the DRS Detection 2 line:



11. **Teams' Guests**

- 11.1. Teams are reminded that guests are included in the category of participants as defined in Article 20 of the International Sporting Code. At the same time, Article 9.15 from the International Sporting Code states that the competitor is responsible for all acts or omissions on the part of any person to whom the competitor has allowed access to the reserved area. The Pit Lane and the grid are reserved areas.

Event-specific Instructions

12. **Changes to the circuit.**

- Small patches of track surface repaired/replaced

13. **Pit Lane**

- 13.1. The Pit Lane speed limit is 60 km/h for the entire event.

14. **Pit lane Barriers.**

- 14.1. F1 Teams have been instructed to ensure their barriers are no more than four metres from the garages.

15. **DRS**

- 15.1. During Free Practice and the races, DRS Detection will be fully disabled automatically if any of the light panels in any activation zone are displaying yellow. The corresponding light panels are as follows:

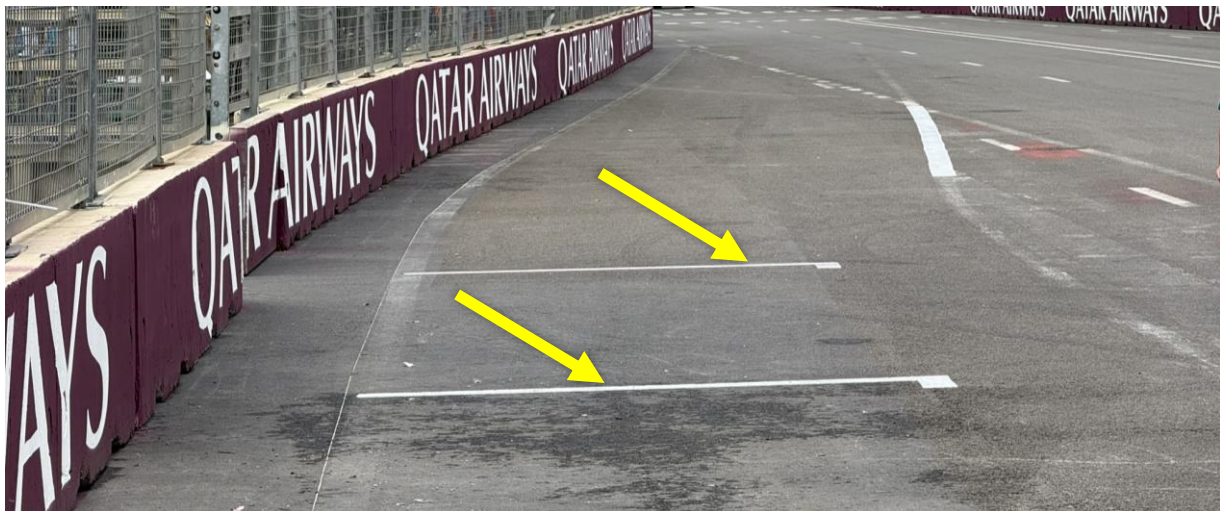
- Panels 3, 4, 5, 20, 21, 1, 2

- 15.2. During Qualifying, DRS Detection will be fully disabled automatically if any of the light panels in any activation zone are displaying yellow. The corresponding light panels are as follows

- Panels 3, 4, 5, 20, 21, 1

16. **Practice starts**

- 16.1. Practice starts may be carried out from the marked boxes on the left-hand side at pit exit during Free Practice and when the pit exit is open for the races (not during Qualifying). Drivers must leave adequate room on their right for another driver to pass. Cars not queuing for a practice start here may overtake on the right-hand side (crossing the white line) but must return to the pit exit road safely as soon as possible.
- 16.2. For reasons of safety and sporting equity, cars may not stop in the fast lane at any time the Pit Exit is open without a justifiable reason (a practice start is not considered a justifiable reason).
- 16.3. For reasons of safety and sporting equity, when practice starts are permitted to be carried out in this location, any driver who wishes to perform a practice start must form up in a line on the left-hand side and leave in the order they got there unless another car is unduly delayed.



Practice start boxes

- 16.4. At the end Free Practice, drivers will be given the opportunity to carry out a practice start on the F1 grid.
- a) Any car on track when the chequered flag is shown may complete that lap and proceed to the grid to carry out a practice start. Any drivers who do not want to carry out a practice start must complete the lap and return to the pit lane, and will be released back to the Support Paddock after the practice starts have been completed. Any drivers in the pit lane who want to carry out a practice start must join the circuit BEFORE the chequered flag is shown.
 - b) All drivers carrying out a practice start must pull as far forward on the grid as possible and, if necessary, wait for cars ahead to carry out a start before moving to a grid position further ahead. Under no circumstances should a driver make a practice start if another car is still stationary ahead on the same side of the grid.
 - c) If any driver appears to be disregarding any of the above a red flag will be displayed and the possibility to carry out any further starts will be immediately terminated. After their practice start, all cars will complete a lap, before exiting near Turn 2 to the Support Paddock.

17. Lines at the Pit Entry and Pit Exit.

- 17.1. In accordance with Chapter 4, Article 4 and 6 of Appendix L to the ISC drivers must follow the procedures at Pit Entry and Pit Exit.
- 17.2. The dotted white lines at Pit Entry and Pit Exit mark the track edge line.



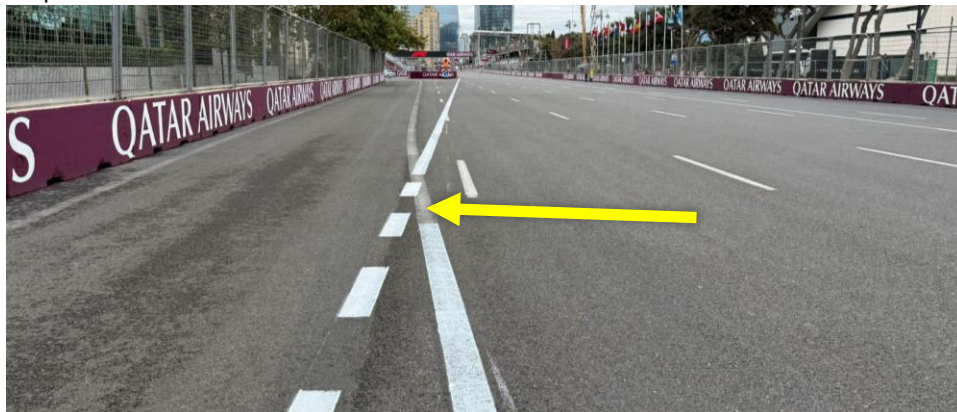
Pit Entry



Pit Exit

- 17.3. Any car with four wheels to the left of the end of the dotted line (arrow below) will be considered as

entering the pit lane.



- 17.4. For safety reasons, overtaking is not allowed at the pit entry road after crossing Safety Car Line 1, unless in exceptional circumstances e.g. a slow car with an obvious mechanical problem.

18. Track Limits.

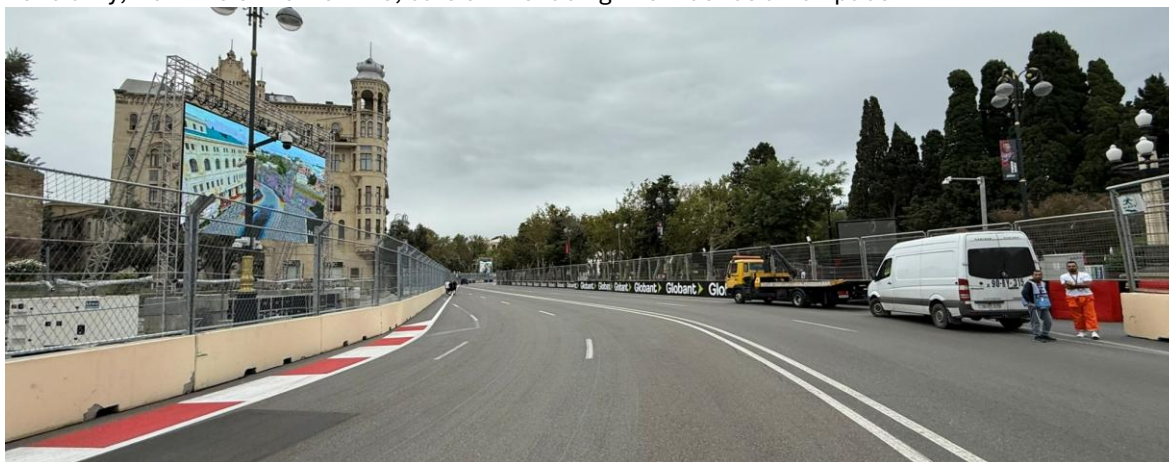
- 18.1. In accordance with the provisions of Article 27.3, the white lines define the track edges.
18.2. During Free Practice, Qualifying and the Races, each time a driver fails to negotiate with the track limits, this will result in that lap time being invalidated by the Stewards.
18.3. The fourth and following offences will be reported to the Stewards, regardless of the warning flag having been displayed to the driver beforehand.

19. Practice and Qualifying etiquette

In accordance with Arts. 27.4 and 31.6 of the F2 Sporting Regulations, drivers not on a fast lap must make all efforts to keep off the racing line. At no point during Practice/Qualifying should drivers remain side by side. When drivers are on the racing line, they must ensure that they are travelling at a speed sufficient to not unnecessarily impede any driver on/starting a fast lap.

Additionally, any driver moving slowly on the racing line may be considered to be potentially dangerous to any car that is either approaching quickly or in line behind them. Any driver who is caught by another driver after the location indicated below may be reported to the Stewards.

For clarity, from the exit of Turn 18, cars on the racing line must be at full pace:



20. Fire extinguishers around the circuit.

- 20.1. Indicated by white boards with a red fire extinguisher image attached to the debris fences/barriers.

21. Places to remove cars from the track.

- 21.1. Indicated by fluorescent orange panels/paint on the barriers.

22. **Removing cars from the grid.**

- 22.1. Through the gate in the pit wall adjacent to grid positions 1 and 14.

23. **Car number light panels for the start**

- 23.1. On the left-hand side of the grid.

24. **Race Suspension**

- 24.1. In case of race suspension, cars will be stopped in the fast lane of the F1 Pit Lane, in front of the pit exit lights.

25. **End of Session Procedures**

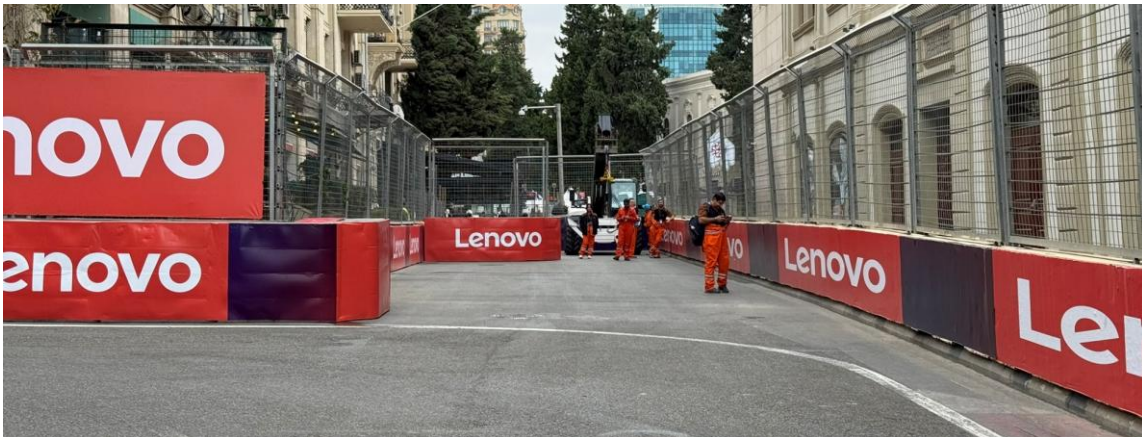
- 25.1. At the end of the **practice** session all cars must complete the lap after taking the chequered flag and follow the procedures outlined in Article 16 above.
- 25.2. At the end of the **qualifying** session all cars must complete the lap after taking the chequered flag, and then leave the track via the exit before Turn 2. Drivers must follow marshals' instructions.
- 25.3. At the end of both **races**, after taking the chequered flag all cars must complete the lap. All cars should progressively slow down, and the podium cars should stay in front of the field, continuing to the F1 Pit Lane for the podium presentation (where they will be under Parc Fermé conditions). All other cars must then leave via the exit before Turn 2. Drivers must follow marshals' instructions.
- 25.4. Cars in the F1 Pit Lane at the end of a session will be released on track to leave via the exit at Turn 2.

26. **VSC Test**

- 26.1. A VSC test will take place during the transfer process before the start of Free Practice. All cars must leave the Support Paddock immediately, to take part in the VSC test. If the test is unsuccessful, it will be repeated at the start of Free Practice and all teams will be advised accordingly.

27. **Escape Roads**

- 27.1 Drivers must exercise caution when manoeuvring in a run-off area/escape road, and rejoin the circuit in a safe manner.



Example run-off area

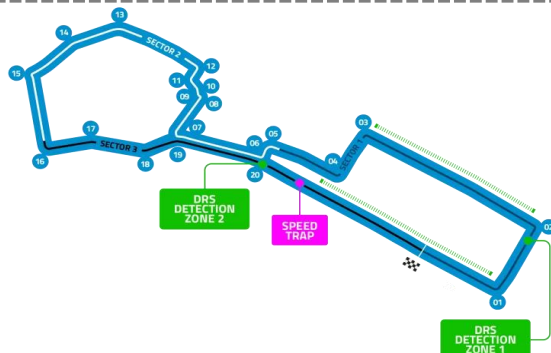
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In accordance with Articles 12.9. and 12.10. of the F2 Technical Regulations, this document contains the prescriptions for the operation of tyres during the following event.

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Circuit Layout



Please note, track map is from the official Formula website and for display purposes only.

Compounds Selection

Compound	FL	FR	RL	RR
Soft	F2U	F2U	R2U	R2U
SuperSoft	F2V	F2V	R2V	R2V
Wet	16W	17W	18W	19W

Sets Available
3
2
3

Prescriptions and Wear Life

Minimum pressures (psi)

	Rear (psi)	Front (psi)	
Slicks	12.0	14.0	Slicks
Wets	12.0	14.0	Wets

Minimum Cambers (degrees)

Rear Camber Limits

FP & Q -2°

Race -2°

Front Camber Limits

-4.25° **FP & Q**

-4° **Race**



Wear (from 24R12BAK Race)

Soft	25 %	11 %	Soft
	Rear avg @ 15 Laps	Front avg @ 15 Laps	
SuperSoft	14 %	11 %	SuperSoft

Tyre Notes

- Not permitted to switch tyres from their allocated position.
- Not permitted to mix compounds in tyre sets.
- Do not subject tyres to large deformation or impact.
- Revised prescriptions could be issued at any time during the event in accordance with the FIA F2 sporting regulations.
- Tyre pressure will be monitored in accordance with procedure outlined in the team FTP area.
- Teams are kindly asked to return tyres for stripping as soon as possible (in accordance with timings set by the FIA Parc Ferme event document) after the completion of Free Practice and Race Two.
- Teams are reminded to remove their rims as soon as possible from the fitting area, after sets have been returned.
- A balancer will be made available until the last tyre is stripped on the final day, to check rims for damage.

General notes

Teams are kindly reminded that the following parameters will be subjected to FIA checks during the event:

- Minimum tyre pressure
- Static Camber
- Tyre allocation and Tyre swapping

3rd Wet set trial procedure remains in place:

- You can provide wet tyres to be replaced before race 1 any time after qualifying, up to the curfew the same day. These will be fitted in the morning **before** race 1. Please place these wets around the fitting area where instructed.
- Sets provided the morning before race 1, will not be fitted until **after** race 1. These sets will be considered returned and **will not** be rebalanced.
- A deadline will be sent in the scrutineering group for requesting the set change after race 1. Please inform Pirelli within this time limit for set changes after race 1. Requests after this will not be possible to complete.

F2 Paddock Departure and Return – Trolleys and Cars

Departure from Support Race Paddock

Teams have been allocated in the correct order for entry into the F1 Pit Lane, so please keep to this order for each transfer (starting from Pit Entry. Note: Two teams sharing the Racing Bulls pit wall):

1. Trident	7. Prema Racing
2. Van Amersfoort Racing	8. DAMS Lucas Oil
3. Invicta Racing	9. ART Grand Prix
4. Campos Racing	10. Rodin Motorsport
5. MP Motorsport	11. AIX Racing
6. Hitech TGR	

Trolleys will line up in front of the teams' tents, facing the track access opening leading directly onto the track. Once released by the marshals, the teams and trolleys will turn right on track and proceed (opposite race direction) to enter the F1 Pit Lane via pit exit. On arrival at the respective F1 garages, trolleys should be turned around, ready to leave the F1 Pit Lane at the end of each session.

Once team trolleys have cleared the paddock, **race cars** may be pushed to the same area and prepare to be released. Cars will proceed under power from the support paddock, turning left onto the track and complete the lap (correct direction) to the F1 Pit Lane.

A shuttle service will be provided only for the mechanics with starter motors, to transfer them to the F1 Pit Lane as soon as all cars have departed the Support Paddock. All other personnel must reach the pit lane on foot.

Return to Support Paddock

Teams and trolleys will leave the F1 Pit Lane via the same way they entered in the exact reverse order (AIX first and Trident last) after all cars have been released from the pit lane.

Race Cars:

At the end of the **practice session**, after taking the chequered flag, all cars must complete the lap. Cars may proceed to the F1 grid to do a practice start at the end of that lap. After their practice start, cars will complete another lap, passing the start/finish straight, and then exit the track before Turn 2 into the Support Paddock. Cars not doing a practice start must enter the F1 Pit Lane after taking the chequered flag. The pit exit light will turn green after the last car has done their practice start, and cars in the pit lane must then go on track and exit to the Support Paddock.

At the end of the **qualifying session**, after taking the chequered flag, all cars should complete another lap, passing the start/finish straight. Cars should then progressively slow down and exit the track before Turn 2 into the Support Paddock Parc Fermé area.

At the end of both **racess**, after taking the chequered flag, all cars should complete another lap passing the start/finish straight. The podium cars should stay in front of the pack and then return to the F1 Pit Lane. All other cars should progressively slow down and then exit the track before Turn 2 into the Support Paddock Parc Fermé area. The podium cars will remain under parc fermé conditions ready to be pushed back by the teams.

All cars in the pit lane at the end of a session will be released on track as soon as possible, to exit the track before Turn 2 into the Support Paddock Parc Fermé area.

Pit Lane Procedure Times

Local marshals will be in control of trolley and race car movements so please follow their instructions. The timings below are **approximate and for guidance only**:

Friday – Practice (10:00 – 11:45)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	09:25
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 09:40
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 09:45

Friday – Qualifying (14:00 – 14:30)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	13:25
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 13:40
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 13:45

Saturday – Sprint Race (Pit Lane open 14:00)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	13:25
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 13:40
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 13:45

Sunday – Feature Race (Pit Lane open 10:45)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	10:10
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 10:25
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 10:30

Based on Event Timetable Version 3

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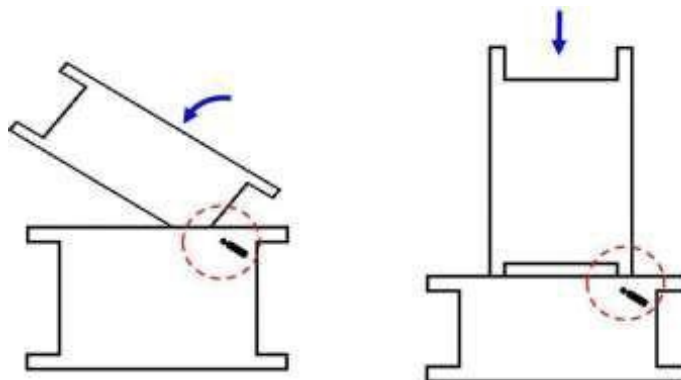
Race Director's Communication – TYRES AND PIT STOP PROCEDURES

Stacking of tyres in the pitlane

Tyres may be stacked flat on top of each other in the Pit Lane. Note, skateboards or similar devices are not considered to be tyre trolleys and are therefore forbidden.



To avoid damage to the valves, tyres must not be stacked as shown below:



During each pit stop in the Sprint Race and Feature Race, the following restrictions will apply:

1. Stands for tyres during pit stops

It is not permitted to use stands or similar devices for tyres during a pit stop. Tyres must lay flat on the ground at all times (note, in limited circumstances a second tyre may be stacked flat on top, as described in the following point).

2. Tyre handling during consecutive pit stops (for two cars) within a short time frame

It is permitted to have both sets of tyres ready in close proximity to the pit stop position. To allow for limited space in the pitlane, two tyres may be stacked flat on top of each other, but only before the first pit stop.

3. Tyres removed from a car during pit stops

Tyres coming off the car during pit stops must be placed flat on the ground. Tyres rocking in position are still considered compliant with the above requirements provided they are always in a stable condition and do not change their position.

4. Handling of lifting jacks during a pit stop

The lifting jacks need to be secured at all times during a pit stop. A lifting jack can be taken over from one mechanic to another during a Pit stop if it remains secured at all times.

5. General safety

For safety reasons, mechanics running around the car or jumping over the car will be reported to the Stewards.

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