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Race Director's Competition 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.

2. **Pirelli Technical Preview.**
 - 2.1. With reference to Article 10.4.3 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 F3 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 – F3 Pit Procedures

4. **Wheel/Tyre Protocols**
 - 4.1. F3 Tyre Schedule – attached
 - 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 F3 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 are installed as shown on the circuit map. In accordance with Appendix H to the International Sporting Code (ISC), the light signals have the same meaning as flag signals.

6. **Pit Lane Safety** (see F3 Sporting Regulations Article 28.14)
 - 6.1. 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. Burnouts or clutch bite point checks are not permitted in the paddock, Support Pit Lane, garage areas and in the Pit Lane at any time during the Competition.
 - 6.3. 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. 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 F3 Sporting Regulations Article 45).
 - 7.1. 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 authorised to attach fans to the car in the Parc Fermé.
 - 7.2. Competitors are authorised to appoint one operational staff member to download data in Parc Fermé.
 - 7.3. When the cars are in the Parc Fermé, the appointed staff members referred to in articles 7.1 and 7.2 must

request authorisation from the FIA Technical Delegate on site, and are only authorized to perform the action specified.

8. **Yellow flags/light panels**

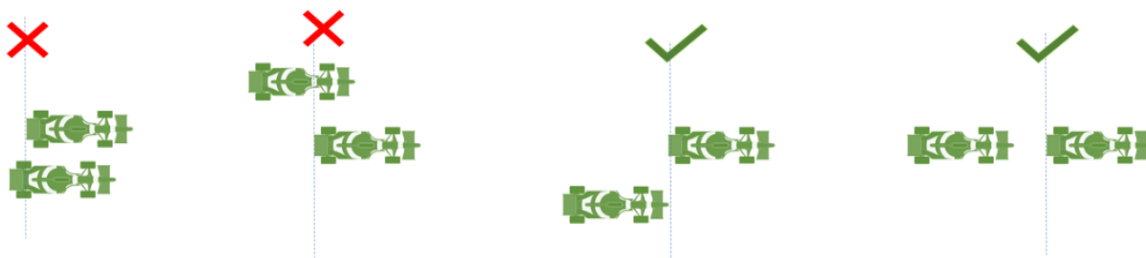
- 8.1. Single waved: Drivers should reduce their speed and be prepared to change direction. It must be clear that a driver has reduced speed and, in order for this to be clear, a driver would be expected to have braked earlier and/or discernibly reduced speed in the relevant marshalling sector.
- 8.2. 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.**

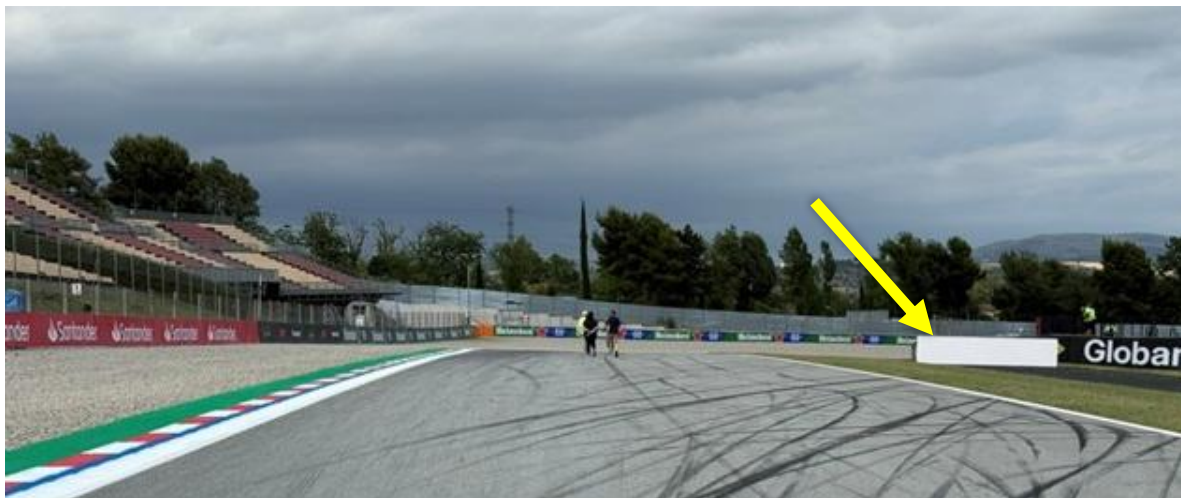
- 9.1. The ISC requires drivers who are caught by another car about to lap him to allow the faster driver past at the first available opportunity. The F1 Marshalling System has been developed to ensure that the point at which a driver is shown blue flags is consistent, rather than relying solely on marshals to identify such situations.
- 9.2. The system will be set to give a pre-warning when a 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 that they are 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 F3 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 FIA Light panels have changed from "VSC" 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 last advertising board before Turn 13, until the control 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 ISC. Additionally, Article 9.15 of the ISC 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.

Competition-Specific Instructions

12. **Changes to the circuit.**

- New asphalt has been laid for the length of the pit lane in the working lane, to make good the joint between the concrete and the asphalt.
- Realign the white line at the apex of Turn 1 and add a blue line.
- The bollards have been removed at the end of the Turn 1 escape road.
- Blue line added outside white line at Turn 2 exit.
- Blue line added outside white line at Turn 3 exit.
- The barrier on the LHS at the entry to Turn 5 has been moved further away from the track.
- The barrier on the RHS at Turn 6 has been moved further away from the track.
- Blue line added outside white line at entry to Turn 8.
- Realign the white line at the exit of Turn 8 and add a blue line.
- Blue line added outside white line at Turn 10 apex.
- Blue line added outside white line at Turn 13 apex.
- The asphalt area on the LHS beyond the green painted area at Turn 13 has been removed and replaced with gravel.
- New tyre barrier at the pit entry road on the RHS.

13. **Pit Lane**

- 13.1. The Pit Lane speed limit is 60 km/h for the entire Competition.
- 13.2. For the avoidance of doubt, Article 27.4 of the F3 Sporting Regulations applies to the pit entry road, the pit lane, and the pit exit road at all times, including the reconnaissance laps.

14. **Pit lane Barriers.**

- 14.1. F1 Teams have been instructed to ensure their barriers are no more than three 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 10, 11, 12, 16, 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 10, 11, 12, 16, 1.

16. Practice starts

- 16.1. Practice starts may only be carried out from the marked boxes on the right-hand side after the pit exit lights (for the avoidance of doubt, this includes any time the Pit Exit is open for the races). Drivers must
- 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, at any time the Pit Exit is open and practice starts are permitted to be carried out, any driver who wishes to perform a practice start must form up in a line and leave in the order they got there unless another car is unduly delayed.



17. Lines at the Pit Entry and Pit Exit.

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



- 17.3. In accordance with Chapter 4, Article 4 of Appendix L to the ISC any driver passing to the right hand side of the bollard at pit entry will be considered as entering the pit lane:



17.4. For safety reasons, overtaking is prohibited in 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.**

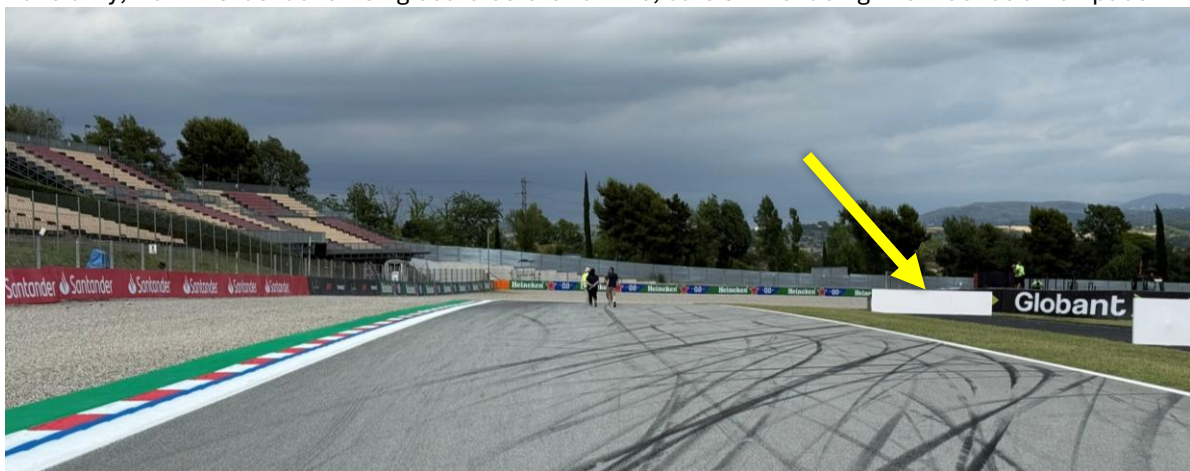
- 18.1. In accordance with Article 27.3 of the F3 Sporting Regulations, the white lines define the track edges.
- 18.2. During Free Practice, Qualifying and the Races, each time a driver fails to negotiate with the track limits, this will result in that lap time being invalidated by the Stewards. For infringements at the entry or exit of Turn 14, the immediately following lap will also be invalidated.
- 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 Articles 27.4 and 31.6 of the F3 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 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 last advertising board before Turn 13, cars on the racing line must be at full pace:

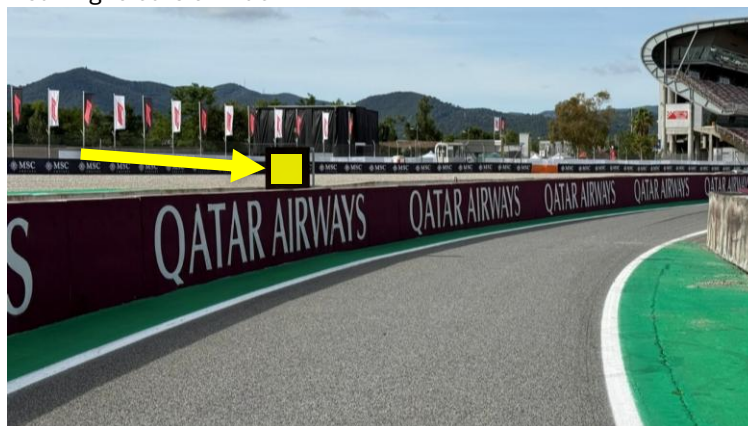


20. **Fire extinguishers around the circuit.**

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 gates in the pit wall adjacent to grid positions 1 and 18.
23. **Car number light panels for the start**
- 23.1. On the right-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. The first car should stop in line with the last team garage, not in front of the pit exit lights, to provide space for the teams and to allow lapped cars to be reordered if necessary.
- 24.2. In exceptional circumstances the pit entry may be closed before cars have returned to the pit lane, for safety reasons. In such circumstances all cars must proceed slowly to the starting grid, the first car to arrive on the grid should occupy pole position and others should fill the remaining grid positions in the order they arrive. The remainder of the procedures detailed in Articles 42.3, 42.4, 42.5 and 43 of the F3 Sporting Regulations shall remain unchanged but will be conducted on the grid instead of in the fast lane.
25. **End of Session Procedures**
- 25.1. At the end of the **practice and qualifying** sessions, after taking the chequered flag, all cars should progressively slow down to leave via the pit entry road in single file, turning right through the gate at pit entry. Drivers must follow marshals' instructions.
- 25.2. At the end of both **races** after taking the chequered flag, all cars should progressively slow down to leave via the pit entry road in single file, turning right through the gate at pit entry. Drivers must follow marshals' instructions. The podium cars should stay in front of the field and continue to the F1 Pit Lane for the podium presentation where they will be under Parc Fermé conditions.
- 25.3. All cars in the F1 Pit Lane at the end of each session must go on track to complete the lap and leave via the pit entry road.
26. **VSC Test**
- 26.1. A VSC test will take place at the beginning of Free Practice. All cars must leave the pit lane immediately at the start of the session, to take part in the VSC test.
27. **Other Items**
- 27.1. **Pit Entry road – Yellow light panel**
In case of an incident or obstruction in the pit entry road, a yellow light panel will be used to warn drivers. This panel has no meaning to cars on track:



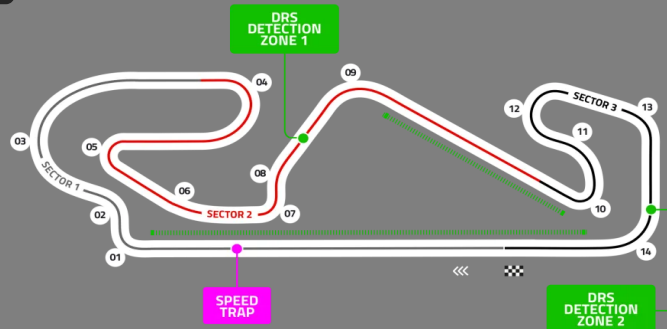
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In accordance with Articles 10.4.3 e) and f) of the F3 Technical Regulations, this document contains the prescriptions for the operation of tyres during the following event.

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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
Hard	SS2	SS2	SS3	SS3
Set 4	SS2	SS2	SS3	SS3
Wet	TS0	TS1	TS2	TS3

Sets	Carry Over
3	Set 4 (New)
1	
2	

Prescriptions and Wear Life

Minimum pressures (psi)

	Rear (psi)	Front (psi)	
Slicks	15.0	14.0	Slicks
Wets	13.0	14.0	Wets

Minimum Cambers (degrees)

Rear Camber Limits

FP & Q -3°

Race -3°

Front Camber Limits

-4.75° FP & Q

-4.25° Race



Wear (from 25R05BCN Race)

Hard	27%	20%	Hard
Rear avg @ 15 Laps		Front avg @ 15 Laps	

Tyre Notes

- Not permitted to switch tyres from their allocated position.
- Do not subject tyres to large deformation or impact.
- Revised prescriptions could be issued at any time during the weekend in accordance with the FIA F3 Sporting Regulations.
- Tyre pressure will be monitored in accordance with procedure outlined in the team FTP area.

- Teams are kindly asked to present **Wet** rims to the Pirelli Service Area, for initial fitting on 10/06.
- Teams are kindly asked to present **Slick** rims to the Pirelli Service Area, for initial fitting on 11/06.
- Reminder: Please remove rims as soon as possible from the fitting area after sets have been returned.
- Reminder: 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

F3 Paddock Departure and Return – Trolleys and Cars**Departure from Support Race Pit Lane**

Teams have been allocated in the below order in the F1 Pit Lane (starting from Pit Entry):

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

Team trolleys should line up in **REVERSE** order (DAMS first, Campos last) and will exit the F3 paddock turning left onto the main paddock road, **keeping to the left-hand side** to avoid blocking emergency vehicles, shuttles etc. and proceed to the holding area. Upon receiving the signal from the marshals, they can advance to the F1 Pit Lane. Team members may only enter the F1 Pit Lane together with the trolleys.

Race cars should be pushed onto the main paddock road, keeping to the left to avoid blocking any emergency vehicles, shuttles etc. After the trolleys have left and when the signals are given by the marshals, cars may be pushed from the main paddock road/holding area to the F1 Pit Lane.

Return to Support Race Pit Lane

Team vehicles will leave the F1 Pit Lane by moving to the far exit of the pit lane and following the roadway back to the F3 paddock. Teams and trolleys will leave the F1 Pit Lane by the end of the pit lane, turning right after the building in the exact reverse order (Hitech TGR first, MP Motorsport last).

At the end of the **practice and qualifying sessions**, after taking the chequered flag, all cars should progressively slow down to leave via the pit entry road in single file, turning right through the gate at pit entry and proceeding directly to the Parc Fermé area in the Support Paddock. Drivers must follow marshals' instruction.

At the end of **both races**, after taking the chequered flag, all cars should progressively slow down. The podium cars should stay in front of the field and continue to the F1 Pit Lane for the podium presentation where they will be under Parc Fermé conditions. Mechanics must be ready to push the podium cars back immediately to the scrutineering area/Parc Fermé (as instructed) after the podium presentation.

All other cars will leave via the pit entry road in single file, turning right through the gate at pit entry and proceeding directly to the Parc Fermé area in the Support Paddock. Drivers must follow marshals' instruction.

All cars in the F1 Pit Lane at the end of each session must go on track to complete the lap and leave via the pit entry road, as described above.

The use of scooters in the paddock, roadway and during the departure and return procedures to the pit lane is not permitted at this Event.

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 (09:55 – 10:40)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	09:10
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 09:30
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 09:35

Friday – Qualifying (15:00-15:30)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	14:20
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 14:35
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 14:40

Saturday – Sprint Race (Pit Lane open 09:50)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	09:10
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 09:25
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 09:30

Sunday – Feature Race (Pit Lane open 08:25)

Trolleys loaded and ready to depart	07:45
Trolleys released to F1 pits	approx. 08:00
Race cars released to F1 pits	approx. 08:05

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TYRE SCHEDULE

(ART. 24.6. 2026 FORMULA 3 CHAMPIONSHIP SPORTING REGULATIONS)

- The Formula 3 tyre parc fermé is situated at the Pirelli service area
- **No tyre trolleys** or wet tyres will be allowed in the tyre parc fermé
- Wet tyres remain in possession of teams
- All tyres in the possession of teams must be visible to the Scrutineers at all times during the event
- The tyre pressure and temperature master gauge is available at the FIA F3 weigh platform area

Thursday 11th June

13:00 All teams' tyres will be released from the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

18:00 All dry tyres must be deposited in the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

Friday 12th June

07:55 All teams' tyres will be released from the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

2 h after end of car Parc fermé

All dry NEW and all USED tyres must be deposited in the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

Saturday 13th June

07:50 All teams' tyres will be released from the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

2 h after end of car Parc fermé

All dry NEW and all USED tyres must be deposited in the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

Sunday 14th June

06:25 All teams' tyres will be released from the FIA Formula 3 tyre parc fermé

2 h after end of car Parc fermé

All tyres must be returned to the Pirelli service area

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