

# Online Riders Briefing

## 2024 BRIDGESTONE NSW ROAD RACE CHAMPIONSHIPS

Sydney Motorsport Park - Gardner G.P. Circuit

October 12/13, 2024

### Competitor Responsibilities

- Read and understand the duty of care statement on your entry form, the supplementary regulations, and the final instructions for this event
- Read and understand the rules governing Road Racing under the General Competition Rules (GCR) as set out in the Motorcycling Australia 2024 Manual of Motorcycle Sport (the "MoMS")
- Note any relevant Rule Bulletins issued by MA
- Be aware of MA policies and the possible consequences of breaching those policies
- Conduct yourself in a responsible manner in accordance with the MoMS
- Be responsible for your own actions and the actions of your crew
- Always act safely
- Follow instructions given by officials
- Take note of where the flag marshal and signalling light points are located
- Know what each of the flags and signalling lights mean and obey them when displayed
- Note that track and weather conditions may change unpredictably and ride accordingly

### Pit Lane

- Traffic is one-way in race direction
- Ride at walking pace only
- Fully enclosed footwear is to be worn in pit lane
- No spectators are allowed on pit wall
- Signalling is permitted on the pit wall opposite your garage
- No pushbikes, wheelchairs, prams, furniture, or persons under 16 (unless a competitor) are permitted in pit lane

### Pit Exit

- Is opened with a green flag for entry to the circuit and is closed with a red flag. Do not ride past a red flag

### Pit Entry

- Is on riders' left, on the main straight, just after turn 18

### Practice and Qualifying

- Sessions are of 10 minutes duration timed from pit exit opening to the chequered flag
- Pit exit will remain open throughout the session
- If you decide to leave the circuit prior to the chequered flag being displayed you should signal your intention early and clearly, position yourself on riders' left leaving turn 18, and ride into the pit entry lane
- Sessions will be declared by a waved chequered flag at the start/finish line
- Following the chequered flag practice starts are permitted in the area denoted by orange cones and signage immediately after turn 15.3 on riders' right. A waved yellow flag will be displayed at turn 15 to remind riders that there may be stationary motorcycles ahead. If you do not intend to perform a practice start you must stay on riders' left exiting turn 15 and proceed with caution
- **LEAVE THE CIRCUIT VIA PIT ENTRY**

## Racing

- There will be one combined sighting/warm-up lap for all races on both days
- Ensure your bike has sufficient fuel for additional laps if required
- Know your grid position
- Race 1 grid is determined from qualifying results. Grids are then progressive based on the previous race results
- Starts will be by the red lights on the starting gantry. The lights will come on, and when they go off the race has started. Should the lights fail races will be started by the raising of the national flag
- Each machine must remain stationary within its grid position until the start signal is given
- A jump start occurs when there is any movement of the machine, or the machine is not in its nominated grid position when the start signal is shown. A jump start penalty will be a minimum of 10 seconds added to the competitor's race time
- If you encounter problems on the start line:
  - wave your arms vigorously to attract the attention of the officials and other riders
  - marshals will wave yellow flags along the wall adjacent to the starting grid
  - the "Delayed Start" board will be displayed in the starting tower
  - if your problem cannot be resolved quickly you must push your machine to the wall on riders' right
  - when appropriate the Delayed Start board and yellow flags will be removed
  - the normal race start process will then be repeated
- If starting from pit exit follow the instructions of the marshal, who will release you at the appropriate time. Use caution when joining the race circuit as a medical vehicle will be following the field
- On receiving the chequered flag your race has finished - slow down, do not overtake
- To remind you that your race has finished:
  - A yellow flag will be waved at turn 3.4 on riders' right
  - A red flag will be waved at turn 3.7 on riders' left
  - An illuminated arrow on riders' right opposite the turn 4 gate will be displayed
  - **LEAVE THE CIRCUIT VIA THE TURN 4 GATE**
  - Return to the pits at walking pace

## Red Flag or Red Lights

- If a session needs to be stopped red flags will be waved at all flag points and red lights will illuminate
- Reduce speed and proceed with caution
- Be aware that emergency vehicles may be on or entering the circuit
- Remain vigilant, exercise caution, and do not overtake any moving emergency vehicles or other competitors
- Exercise extreme caution when approaching and passing the incident scene
- **LEAVE THE CIRCUIT VIA PIT ENTRY**
- Return to the pits and await further instructions via pit announcements

## Crashes

- If possible, move your bike to the tyre wall and get yourself to a safe area behind the wall or to a flag marshal post
- Do not remove your helmet until you are safely behind a barrier
- If you abandon your machine and walk away do not return to your machine
- If able, please help the recovery crew load your machine onto the trailer
- If you crash and are taken to hospital or are recommended by the medical team to seek further medical treatment, your licence will be automatically suspended. To return to racing you will need a written clearance from the hospital or your GP stating that "you are able to commence motorcycling activity"
- If you crash but then make your own way back to your garage you MUST attend the medical centre and be assessed by the medical team. They will notify the Clerk of Course if you have been cleared to resume racing
- All crashed bikes must be inspected by the technical officer (scrutineer) before reentering competition

## Mechanical Breakdown

- If possible, move your bike to the tyre wall and get yourself to a safe area behind the wall or to a flag marshal post
- Do not remove your helmet until you are safely behind a barrier
- If you abandon your machine and walk away do not return to your machine
- Please help the recovery crew load your machine onto the trailer

## Signalling Boards

Board	Where Displayed	Meaning
"5 Minutes"	Start/Finish line and Pit Exit	Indicates 5 minutes until the opening of pit exit
"2 Minutes"	Start/Finish line and Pit Exit	Indicates 2 minutes until the opening of pit exit
"30 Seconds"	Start/Finish line and Pit Exit	Indicates 30 seconds until the opening of pit exit
"Delayed Start"	Starter's Tower	Problem on the starting grid - starting procedure is delayed
"Penalty"	Start/Finish line	Rider whose number is displayed has received a penalty
"Last Lap"	Start/Finish line	Displayed at to the lead machine (chequered flag next lap)

## Signalling Flags

Colour	Mode	Meaning
Red	Waved	Race or practice stopped prematurely. Competitors must slow down, not overtake, and slowly proceed to the pits
Yellow	Stationary	Danger - ride slowly, overtaking forbidden
	Waved	Immediate danger - slow down, prepare to stop, overtaking forbidden
Green	Waved	Course clear
Striped Red and Yellow	Stationary	Deterioration of adhesion of the track
White	Waved	At St. George MCC events this flag is used to signify rain falling on the circuit
Black Displayed with number board	Stationary	Competitor with number indicated on the board must stop at the pits on the next lap
Black and White Chequered	Waved	Finish of race, practice session or qualifying session
Blue	Not used	Overtaking warning. Not used at St. George events.

## Signalling Lights

Electronic signalling lights have the same meaning as the flags

### Note:

- Riders are responsible for the behaviour of their crew, family, and friends
- **DO NOT LEAVE USED TYRES IN THE GARAGES!**
- Smoking is allowed only in the ARDC designated areas