



COMPETITION BRIEFING | 2021

On behalf of the entire Stars team, we would like to welcome you to our series. We're here to help all of you have a smooth and enjoyable experience at our event. If you need anything please let us know. We're happy to answer any questions and help you in any way we can. Have feedback on where we can improve? Shoot us an email at info@starschampionshipseries.com and we'll take a hard look.

This Competition Briefing has been created to eliminate the time suck of bringing everyone together for a driver's meeting, as well as managing the pandemic situation by keeping you informed without a group meeting.

This document covers common procedures that are located in the Stars Regulations. For each item, if available, we'll reference the specific rule to refer to, or the entire section of rules.

If you have a question, your first place to look is the full regulations. And if you need clarification, please send us an email to info@starschampionshipseries.com if it's prior to an event, or use the #help-desk feature on the Stars Discord page during the event.

GENERAL INFORMATION

FIRST TIME COMPETITORS

Your first Stars event may have many different procedures than you're used to. These procedures are in place due to our years of promotional experience. We strongly encourage you to review this document, our regulations, and then contact us if you have any questions. It is likely that we'll ask you to do something different from what you might be used to, and we appreciate your understanding.

EVENT COMMUNICATION

Pre-Event: Prior to an event, please see www.starschampionshipseries.com for all information about our events.

During Event: Stars uses Discord, a free app, for all event communications. Please reference the 'Using Discord' document on our website for detailed information on how to download and use the app.

COMMON FORMS

Facility Map: Shows all pertinent information about locations of areas, such as Registration, Tech, Tire Pick Up, Track Entry/Exit, Scales, etc. Please review prior to the event.

Event Schedule: Shows the times things are open/closed during an event. We work to strictly adhere to this schedule.

Schedule of Sessions: This is the document that shows when you'll be on track. This document is offered as a reasonable approximation of when you can expect to be on track, but Stars reserves the right to modify as necessary. Modifications are posted to the Stars Discord page.

PUSH BACK BUMPERS (PBB)

While we expect our drivers to race hard, we also expect respect. At this time, we'll not be requiring the PBB in any class. However, we'll be adding the PBB to any class that exhibits the need for it in future events if necessary. Do your part to not make it necessary.

PIT CLEAN UP

Don't be that guy. Take pride in your area and our tracks. Pick up and take home your tires, fuel cans, oil, broken flip-flops, etc. It's just the right thing to do.

TRANSPONDERS

We do require the use of transponders for timing/scoring. If you do not have your own, we offer them for rent. Transponders can be picked up at the Registration area (see Event Track Map for Registration location)

RACE MONITOR

Stars uses Race Monitor to broadcast live scoring, beginning with Round 4 of practice on Friday. This is not official timing information.

TIRE PICKUP

Race and Practice Tires are available for pick up Friday's beginning at 7am. They are available for pick up Saturday morning from 7am to 9:30am.

ENTRY PACKET

Your entry packet for the event includes your entry confirmation, Tire Voucher, Tech Inspection Form, Decal Placement, required stickers/placement, and your engine seal(s). Also included are detailed instructions for Discord, the app we use for event communications.

EVENT PARKING

Stars restricts tow or personal vehicles in the pit area. We do this to reduce congestion, and the chance of damage to persons or property. We appreciate your understanding and cooperation.

COMMON REGULATIONS/PROCEDURES

Our regulations cover all situations you may encounter during the course of your weekend with us. It is your first source to answer a question you may have. The following is a list of the more common and/or important areas you should be familiar with.

TECH INSPECTION FORM | 10.4.2

You will receive this form in your drivers registration packet. You'll turn this sheet into our officials at the front of the grid for qualifying. Please make sure all information is filled out with a pen, and legible. Note: You are not required to fill out the Chassis Seal information as Stars does not require Chassis Seals at this time.

Please ensure that your engine is properly sealed via the seal supplied in your entry packet. If you need help, please ask the Stars Tech personnel for assistance.

COMPETITION | SECTION 10.6

This section deals with many aspects of how to properly compete in a Stars event. Common infractions are dealt with in this section such as Blocking, Avoidable Contact, Impeding, etc. are covered in detail.

To avoid a penalty, we highly recommend you become familiar with this entire section.

FLAG PROCEDURES | 10.8

This section covers how our officials use flags to communicate with you.

Stars will often use the Full Course Caution to gain control of the session if needed to assess the need for a Red Flag or to manage a safety related situation. You'll find descriptions of both flag procedures in this section.

EVENT FORMAT | 10.9.1

Our events are progressive, beginning with qualifying on Saturday morning and culminating in the Final on Sunday afternoon. See schedules posted in Discord for all times.

Your qualifying time will line you up for all heat races. The points you earn in the heat races (0 for first, 2 for second, 3 for third and so on) will determine your Pre-Final starting position. Your Pre-Final finish position will determine your starting position for the Final.

You will earn championship points for all heats, pre-final, and final.

Stars will generally use time to set our final lap decisions for all events, and are 'green to checkered'. Our goal is good racing with plenty of laps. Estimated run length is Heats 10 minutes, Pre-Finals are 14 minutes, and Finals are 16 minutes.

QUIET GRID | 10.9.2

For information about the Quiet Grid, and other helpful information about grid procedures, please see the referenced regulation.

START/RESTART PROCEDURE | 10.9.3

Section 10.9 RACE PROCEDURES covers many important aspects of on track procedures you need to be familiar with, and we highly recommend you read the entire section.

Stars uses the Start Box starting procedure, and that procedure can be found in our regulations at 10.9.3. We also use a 'Formation Cone' and a 'Commitment Cone', and how those work can also be found in our regulations. It is critical that you review all start procedures prior to the event to avoid confusion and possible penalties.

PROTESTS | 10.10.1

Penalties are called by on-track marshals. If you feel that you have incurred an incorrect penalty, your sole solution is a Protest. The procedure for this can be found in the referenced regulation.

Note: It is your responsibility to define your case clearly, and with evidence. Camera footage may be allowed if it clearly shows the incident (not the result of the incident).

You may file your protest with the Scale Steward, who will act on your behalf to assist you in the process. The Scale Steward does not have the authority to make a determination, and will not review evidence.

INFRACTIONS (PENALTIES) | 10.10.3

Stars uses a team of 3-5 marshals on track to identify and assess time based penalties during the course of the event. A description of these can be found in our regulations.

NUMBERS | 20.1.3 / 20.1.4

Please note that numbers must be black numbers with no outlines on a yellow background, and must be on all 4 sides of the kart. This is critical for officials to identify karts with issues and to avoid a mixup with numbers. This is a requirement beginning with warm-ups on Saturday am.

TIRES | 20.1.24

The spec tire for all Stars events is MG, both for dry and wet tires. All tires used in official competition must be purchased through Stars, and will be available through our Tire Desk (see the Event Track Map on our Discord Page for location).

Detailed tire information for slick/rain is located in the referenced rule section.

Key Points;

- Tires must be new when presented for qualifying.
- If you are in a class that allows two sets, you can use those tires at your discretion. A damaged tire may be replaced with a used tire of similar wear, which must be approved by the tech officials.
- Rain tire use is at your discretion, as Stars does not declare a track 'wet or dry'. However, if you make a very poor decision Stars reserves the right to remove you from the session if safety is an issue.
- We do not limit sets of rain tires, or require you to 'check in' rain tires at this time.