



2024 Hong Kong Touring Car (HTCC) Sporting Regulations

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FOREWORD

The Hong Kong Touring Car Championship (HTCC) is a competition series sanctioned by The Hong Kong, China Automobile Association in the 2024 season, the series is organized and operated by Xiangyi Tire in collaboration with Chongqing Kaisai E-commerce Co., Ltd.

1. Regulations, Race Committee & Officials

- 1.1 The final text of the present Sporting Regulations shall be the English version which will be used should any dispute arise as to their interpretation. Headings do not form part of the present Sporting Regulations.
- 1.2 Clarification, interpretation and arbitration of any rules, requirements and regulations not covered by the FIA 'General Prescriptions' and Specific Regulations, Sporting Code and Technical Regulations, and the National Competition Rules of the Federation of Hong Kong, China Automobile Association (HKAA) shall be decided by the Panel of Stewards. Should any dispute arise, the Panel of the Stewards of the meeting will be the only authority to decide (ISC-Art. 11.9).
- 1.3 Changes to the present Sporting Regulations could be made at least 7 days before the start of the Competition.
- 1.4 These Sporting Regulations come into force from the moment of their publication on the HKAA website (<https://www.hkaa.com.hk>) and replace all previous Sporting Regulations.
- 1.5 For the sake of brevity, the masculine pronoun is used to represent a person of either gender.
- 1.6 Race Committee & Officials
 - 1.6.1 The officials will be nominated by the Hong Kong Automobile Association, China (HKAA), and confirmed by the race committee respectively, final list will be published before the event official program start.

1.6.2 RACE COMMITTEE & OFFICIALS

Race Committee	: TBA
Stewards of the meeting	: TBA
Race Officials -	
Race Director	TBA
Clerk of the Course	TBA
Secretary of the Meeting	TBA
Chief Scrutineer	TBA
Chief Observer	TBA
Chief Flag Marshal	TBA
Chief Pit Marshal	TBA
Competitor Liaison Officer	TBA
Chief Timing Officer	TBA
Chief Medical Officer	Duty Medical Dr. appointed by local Hospital.
Secretariat	TBA

2) GENERAL UNDERTAKING

- 2.1 All drivers, teams and team official participating in the Competition undertake, on behalf of themselves, their employees and agents, to observe all the provisions as supplemented or amended of the FIA International Sporting Code (the “Code”) and its Appendixes, including 2024 Technical Regulations (Article 253 of the Appendix J) and driving conduct on circuits (ISC-Appendix L, Chapter IV), the Circuit General Prescriptions, the present Sporting Regulations and Technical Regulations and their relevant Appendixes/bulletins. In addition, drivers, teams, and officials undertake to observe all provisions of the rules issued by the HKAA, as well as the rules of the Circuit staging the event.
- 2.2 According to the rules, each round of the competition starts with an administrative check, including all practices (including free practice, qualifying, hereinafter referred to as practice) and finals, as well as protest made after the race according to the rules. The official results of the races will be published at the end of each round.
- 2.3 The organizers of the event have the right to issue additional supplementary to any round.

2.4 The registration form is considered as the participation agreement between the applicant and the event organizer. The applicant shall be deemed as the legal representative of the participating team. When the application is accepted, it is considered as the entrant of the event, the only natural person who bears ultimate responsibility for all violations of the rules; therefore, the entrant or the appointed team manager must sign and confirm on all documents. The entrant is also the only person with the right to protest and appeal. The team manager, technical supervisor, and driver led by the entrant is the direct responsible persons for fulfilling the competition rules, and all members of their work team are collectively referred to as participants/team. When there is a violation of rules, even if the entrants bear the ultimate responsibility for the violation, the corresponding direct responsible person must be investigated by the Panel of the Steward together with the entrants and sign the relevant documents.

3. Overall Responsibility and Obligations

- 3.1 The applicant must ensure that the racing car participating in the pre-scrutineering meets the requirements of the technical rules and the effective safety modification rules of the year and bear the responsibility for the safety of the racing car design and the compliance of the modification process and materials with the above rules.
- 3.2 The entrants must ensure that their racing car is qualified to participate in all practices and finals and ensure that the racing car is always in a safe state and bear the safety responsibility arising from the modification of the racing car.
- 3.3 All entrant and participating vehicles must comply with the requirements, regulations, and arrangements of the official advertising space.

4. Hong Kong Touring Car Championship (HTCC)

- 4.1 The Hong Kong Touring Car Championship (HTCC) only accepts drivers who carry a valid competition license and competition car that compile with the technical regulation.



4.2 The 2024 Hong Kong Touring Car Championship series (HTCC) is divided into 5 races and 10 rounds.

4.3 CALENDAR

2024 CALENDAR		
Venue Time Venue	Time	Location
Race 1 (Round 1-4)	March 29-March 31st	Guangdong International Circuit (GIC)
Race 2 (Round 5-8)	May 24-26th	Zhuzhou International Circuit
Race 3 (Round 9-12)	July 19-21st (TBC)	Tianjin International Circuit
Race 4 (Round 13-16)	September 6-8th	Malaysia from September
Race 5 (Round 17-20)	October 20-22nd (TBC)	Guangdong International Circuit (GIC) or Zhuzhou International Circuit

4.4. Group classification and definition:

HTCC 2.0T: Using a turbocharged engine with a displacement of 2000cc or a naturally aspirated engine with a displacement of 3000cc or less, with a net weight of 1250KG excluding the driver (according to the BOP document)

HTCC SUPERNA: Equipped with an NA engine with a displacement of 2000-2400cc, vehicles model accepted: Toyota 86 (ZN8), Subaru BRZ (ZD8), Honda TYPE R (FD2, DC5), etc.

* The event organizer can make additional supplementary regulations based on the actual situation of each round.

5. Competition Awards and Result Evaluation

5.1 Trophy classes:

5.1.1 Single Round Driver Award: The top three drivers in each category will receive the winner, runner up, and third place trophies in each race round.

(For example, if there are less than 3 vehicles in the class, points will not be awarded for the round.

- 5.1.2 If a team registers for the whole year, the team with the highest points for each race will receive one set of tires per vehicle. The tire will be collected at the next race. If the team does not participate in the next race, the prize will be automatically invalidated.
- 5.1.3 Points calculation method: The total points of each round for participating vehicles in the team.

Driver points per round for each class:

名次	第一名	第二名	第三名	第四名	第五名	第六名
积分	5	4	3	2	1	0

- 5.2 If a race is suspended and not resumed, the calculation method for points are as follows:
 The race time does not exceed 75% of the race schedule, and all drivers will be counted at half of the points stated in the above clause; If the race time exceeds 75% of the race schedule, all drivers will be awarded points according to the above terms.

6. Method for managing the same ranking of annual points:

If two or more racing cars have the same score, the winner is calculated according to the following method:

- 6.1 The winner is the one who wins a greater number of first place. If the number of first place obtained is the same, or if there is no record of obtaining the first place, the greater number of the second place obtained shall be used as the evaluation standard.
- 6.2 If the number of second place obtained is the same, or if there is no record of obtaining the second place, the greater number of the third place obtained shall be used as the evaluation standard, and so on.

If the number of rankings obtained is the same, the one with the highest ranking in the first round shall be used as the evaluation standard.

* If the above methods still cannot determine the order of ranking, the Panel of the Steward will designate the winner based on the criteria it deems appropriate.

7. Completion recognition:

In each round of the race, the car must cross the checkered flag to be classified.

In each round of the race, the race car must cross the checkered flag and complete 75% of the total number of race laps in their respective class, which is considered as completion.

Racing cars that havenot completed the race will not earn points. In the final score table, the cars that did not complete the final are ranked in the order of their withdrawal from the race, with the cars that withdrew later ranking first and the cars that withdrew first ranking last. The organizers will indicate "DNF" after their names.

8. Event promoter

The event promoter is Chongqing Kaisai E-commerce Co., Ltd.

9. Insurance

9.1 Racing drivers must apply for sufficient personal accident insurance and accidental medical insurance in accordance with the laws of the competition venue. The organizers of the competition will conduct inspections during administrative check.

10. Event Advertising

10.1 The competition numbers of participating vehicles shall be uniformly issued by the event secretariat during administrative inspection, and the numbers shall be freely selected by entrant from numbers 1-199.

10.2 Participating teams and drivers may affix advertisements on their vehicle bodies and racing suits but must meet the following conditions: the advertising content should comply with the relevant provisions of the

National Advertising Law and these rules, and the advertising sticker should not obstruct the driver's view.

- 10.3 The advertising location and requirements for the event organizer are as follows:

All advertisements of event organizers must be stick to the designated positions on the racing car as required, and must not be cut, divided, altered, or defaced.

11. License qualifications

11.1 Competition license requirement:

- a. Holding a valid National B or above circuit competition license issued by the China Automobile and Motorcycle Federation for the current year.
- b. Holding a valid National license issued by the Hong Kong, China Automobile Association (HKAA) or the Automobile General Association Macao-China (AAMC).
- c. Holding a valid competition license issued by the Chinese Taipei Motor Sports Association.
- d. Current Medical form for driver

12. Registration

12.1 The competition registration can be divided into two methods: one-time registration for the series and single event registration.

12.2 The registration time for the competition shall be notified by the event organizing committee to the entrant before the competition.

12.3 The content of the registration form serves as the competition agreement between the applicant and the organizer, with the following constraints:

- a) The applicant must confirm that they have read and understood the General Rules, Sporting Regulations, Technical Rules, and Registration Rules and declare on behalf of all participants that they comply with the above rules.
- b) Entrant must confirm that they have read and understood the "National Competition Rules of the Hong Kong Automobile Association, China".

13. Registration fee:

All classes are ¥ 6000 per vehicle/race.

*The registration deadline is subject to the official announcement before the competition.

*After the registration deadline, an administrative fee of 1000 yuan (RMB) will be charged for overdue registration.

13.1 The registration fee should be transferred to the following account and your registration information should be noted when remitting:

Private account

Account Name: Chen Shi

Account: 6228 4804 7903 9489 477

Branch of Bank: Chongqing Yuzhong Xintiandi Branch of Agricultural Bank of China

13.2 In case of force majeure or cancellation of the event due to reasons not attributable to the event organizer, or if the driver is unable to participate, the registration fee will not be refunded.

13.3 The organizers of the competition have the right to refuse to accept any entrants for participation without any explanation.

14. Communication methods with entrant

14.1. The Race director or technical delegate shall communicate with the participants in the form of documents in accordance with the rules. These documents will be distributed to the corresponding entrant simultaneously and required to be signed for.

14.2 All practice and final results, as well as official documents, will be published on the official notice board and in the local WeChat work group.

14.3 The decision or notice regarding a contestant should be delivered to the entrants within 25 minutes after the decision or notice is issued, and the entrants must sign and confirm. Even if the applicant has different opinions on the decision document or decides to appeal, they should sign before proceeding with the appeal process.

14.4 Protest regarding the competition must be submitted in writing by the entrants to the Secretariat within 30 minutes after the end of the race concerned.

15. Accidents

15.1 An accident refers to any single or multiple events involving one or more drivers on the racetrack, or any actions taken by a responsible person or participant representing the entrants on the racetrack. These events or actions are reported to the event organizing committee by the event officials, including the following:

- a) Violation of General Sports Rules, Sporting Regulations, or Technical Rules.
- b) One or more racing cars start from the wrong starting position.
- c) Behaviour that insults motorsport.
- d) Behaviour that violates motorsports ethics.

If the event organizing committee decides to investigate a certain accident, the Race director will inform all participants who are responsible for the Investigation. The responsible persons and entrants involved in accidents are not allowed to leave the circuit unless approved by the Race director.

Participants who leave the circuit without the approval of the Race director will be penalized accordingly.

15.2 If a vehicle involved in an accident during official practice, qualifying, or final cannot continue to participate on its own power, it must be rescued and returned to a closed parking area. This section does not allow the vehicle to continue participating.

15.3 If a vehicle involved in an accident during official practice, qualifying, or final cannot continue to participate on its own power, it must be rescued and returned to a closed parking area. This section does not allow the vehicle to continue participating.

15.4 The Race director has full authority to decide whether to punish the entrants or any person involved in the accident.

The penalty is as follows:

- a) Drive through the pitlane: Upon receiving the penalty decision from the Race director, the team must immediately notify the driver. The driver can complete a maximum of three complete laps upon seeing the "DTP" board and race number, and then pass through the pitlane according to the speed

limit without stopping. If the above penalty decision is made in the last 3 laps of the race or after the race, the Race director shall add a penalty in accordance with clause 15.4b to the driver's final score. At this point, the penalty decision should clearly state that the punishment will be drive through the pitlane, but since it cannot be executed, it will be handled by applying the time penalty. During the practice period including free practice, warm-up practice, and qualifying, presenting the "DTP" board and race number is a signal that requires the driver to serve the DTP penalty.

- b) Penalty time: The Race director may directly include the penalty time in the driver's final score and notify the driver and entrants in writing.
 - c) Fines: The maximum amount of a single fine imposed by the Race director is limited to RMB 30,000. (Race Director would propose to Steward of the meeting for amount of fines to be apply)
 - d) Warning: A written warning issued to a participant for their violation of rules.
 - e) Disqualification: Cancel the practice or result already obtained by the entrants and/or driver.
 - f) Cancel the eligibility for practice on the day: Cancel the eligibility of the entrants or driver to participate in free practice or qualifying races.
 - g) Cancellation of race qualification: The disqualification of a certain entrants or driver from continuing to participate in the current round's practice or race, and the cancellation of the corresponding driver's previous practice or results. (Race Director would propose to Stewards of the meeting for penalty specified in art 15.3.a)
- 15.4 The penalty imposed by the Race director shall be delivered to the entrants in accordance with Article 14.1.
- a) The Race director must send a written decision on punishment to the applicant and ensure that this decision is signed for by the applicant, with the punishment method specified on the decision.
 - b) The control centre notifies the penalized entrant through the competition command system, and the Race director also sends a written decision document to the entrant in accordance with Art.14.1.

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- Under any circumstances, when a driver is penalized through the pitlane in accordance with art. 15.3, they shall not repair or adjust the racing car (such as changing tires, etc.). In the case of a safety car active session the driver cannot complete the penalty through the pitlane unless the driver has already received the penalty through the pitlane before the safety car deployed. In the case of a safety car leading the race, the maximum number of laps allowed for the driver to drive can exceed three, that is, the number of laps led by the safety car is included in the total number.
 - Any entrants who do not comply with Article 15 will be disqualified from the competition.

16. Protests and appeals

- 16.1 Protests must be made in writing in accordance with the National Competition Rules of the Hong Kong, China Automobile Association. The organizers of the event will only accept protests submitted by participants to the Panel of Steward within 30 minutes after the provisional results are published. No further protests will be accepted 30 minutes after the provisional results are published. The 30 minutes time is calculated based on the posting time of the official document. The protest must pay a protest fee of 5,000 yuan in full. The protest fee for dismantling the racing engine or gearbox is 15,000 yuan/per item.
- 16.2 If there is any objection to the decision made by the Race director, an appeal can be made in accordance with Chapter 11, 12, and 13 of the Hong Kong, China Automobile Association's National Competition Rules .

17. Penalty

- 17.1 The Race director may impose penalties in accordance with the Sporting regulations, or in accordance with the Hong Kong, China Automobile Association's National Competition Rules .
- 17.2 The Race director may impose penalties on the corresponding entrants based on any violations committed by the participants. After the penalty decision is made, the applicant has the right to appeal only after signing and confirming.
- 17.3 The fine imposed by the Race director must be submitted by the entrants to the event secretary on the same day as the decision is made. Entrant who fails

to pay fines on time will not be allowed to participate in the next round of the competition.

18. Change of Driver

- 18.1. After the registration deadline, an administrative fee of 500 yuan must be paid to apply for a replacement driver before the administrative check of each race.
- 18.2. From the Thursday of each race week to the end of the administrative check, if you want to change the registered driver, you must pay an administrative fee of 1,000 yuan.
- 18.3. After the administrative check is completed, the driver shall not be replaced unless force majeure occurs and the event organizing committee approves and pays an administrative fee of 2,000 yuan.

19. Competition Rules

19.1 Race Schedule

	Official practice	Qualifying	Race	Driver	Starting
HTCC	1 session of 30 minute free practice	1 session of 30 minute qualifying	2 rounds (16 laps per round or maximum 30 minutes)	1-2	Starting from a standing start, The starting grid is based on the corresponding qualifying results

19.2 Flags and Signal Stations

- 19.2.1 The flag rules refer to Annex H of the International Automobile Federation's General Rules for Automobile Sports (FIA).
- 19.2.2 Any driver who fails to comply with the race flag or light signal will be penalized by the Panel of Steward. Flags include yellow flags (single and double yellow flags), blue flags, mechanical flags, and black flags, while lighting

signals include Starting lights, signal lights at pitlane exits, marshal post lights, Safety car light, and LED screen signal lights at the finish line.

19.2.3 If a yellow flag is displayed at the track marshal post or signal light, it indicates an accident in the yellow flag area. All drivers should reduce their speed after seeing the yellow flag, and overtaking is prohibited in the yellow flag area.

Drivers who violate the yellow flag rules, such as overtaking in the yellow flag area or overtaking during the safety car's lead time, will receive the following penalties:

- a) During the official practice period, drivers who overtake in the yellow flag area will receive a fine of 2,000 yuan (RMB) from the Panel of Steward.
- B) Those who overtake the yellow flag in the qualifying race will be fined 2,000 yuan (RMB) by the Panel of Steward and added 5 seconds of extra time for the qualifying race.
- c) In the final, those who overtake under the yellow flag zone will be penalized by the Panel of Steward one time DTP passing through the pitlane and fined 2000 yuan (RMB).
- d) If the Panel of Steward finds that a driver did not reduce the speed to a safe limit when presented with a yellow flag, they shall be penalized in a manner that violates the regulations of the yellow flag.
- e) If the above penalty decision is made in the last 3 laps of the final (or after the final) and the actual situation makes it impossible for the penalized person to complete the penalty, the Panel of Steward shall add a penalty of 45 seconds per violation to the final score of the racing car and impose a fine.

19.2.4 If the driver is going to be lapped by the leading car, the lapped driver will be shown a blue flag. If the driver fails to comply with the Blue Flag regulations, the Panel of Steward will impose a penalty of one DTP pass through the pitlane and a fine of 2,000 yuan (RMB). If the above penalty decision is made in the last 3 laps of the final (or after the final) and the actual situation makes it impossible for the penalized person to complete the penalty, the Panel of Steward shall add a penalty time of 45 seconds per violation the final score of the racing car and impose a fine.

19.2.5 If a red flag appears on the track due to conditions arises, all racing cars should

reduce their speed, overtaking is prohibited, official practice, and during qualifying, all racing cars should slowly return to the pit lane; during the race, all racing cars need to return to the finish line of the starting grid area and wait for the marshal's arrangement to restart the race. Drivers who violate the red flag rule will receive the following penalties:

- a) Violation of the red flag rule during official practice will result in a fine of 2,000 yuan (RMB) per incident.
- b) Violation of the red flag rule in qualifying will result in a fine of 3,000 yuan (RMB) per incident and the result of the current qualifying will be cancelled.
- c) Violation of the red flag rule during the race will result in a fine of 3,000 yuan (RMB) per violation and cancellation of the final score for that season.

19.2.6 Drivers who are shown a mechanical flag must return to the pitlane within three laps. Racing cars that do not comply with the mechanical flag regulations will be fined 2,000 yuan (RMB) by the Panel of Steward.

19.2.7 The black flag is a signal to expel a driver. Drivers driving on the track must return to the pitlane within three laps upon seeing this signal. Otherwise, the Panel of Steward will impose a fine of 2,000 yuan (RMB).

19.2.8 In the absence of detailed punishment rules, the Panel of Steward has the right to impose discretionary penalties on behaviours explicitly prohibited in these rules in accordance with the general rules and practices of field sports.

19.2.9 Only team timekeepers are allowed to issue instructions or communicate signals to drivers on the timekeeping wall. The timekeeping wall only allows entry with timekeeper identification and team managers. During practice or competition, the racing car cannot stop at the timekeeper wall, drive slowly, or change the direction of travel. Violators will be disqualified from the competition.

19.3 Replacing the racing car

19.3.1 Before the pre-scrutineering is completed, the organizer accepts the application to replace the racing car. After the pre-scrutineering is completed, the application must be submitted in writing to the Secretariat. The new model must fully comply with the technical requirements of the vehicle, and an

application fee of 2,000 yuan must be paid for each application to replace the racing car. Replacing the engine is equivalent to replacing a racing car (for example, if a racing car is registered for the entire year and the car/engine is changed midway, at the first race after change of car, grid position of the race will be dropped by five starting positions).

19.3.2 Before or during the qualifying race, the application to change the race car shall be decided by the Race director whether to allow the car to compete or start at the back of the grid.

19.4 Scrutineering

19.4.1 All racing cars must undergo scrutineering. Racing cars that have not undergone pre-scrutineering according to the prescribed time are not allowed to participate in the race.

After the qualifying race, all racing cars must immediately enter a closed area for scrutineering. Any car entering the garage during a qualifying race will be considered a violation of vehicle inspection regulations, and the organizing committee will impose a penalty of 30 seconds or cancel the results during their qualifying race. If the driver accidentally drives the car past the inspection area after the qualifying race, the team staff must push the car back to the scrutineering area under the supervision of the marshal. After the race, all racing cars from each category that have completed the race and achieved results must enter the Parc Ferme for scrutineering.

19.5 Parc Ferme

19.5.1 Only race officials responsible for managing scrutineering are allowed to enter the Parc Ferme and no one is allowed to interfere with the work in the area.

19.5.2 After the race, all racing cars must immediately enter the Parc Ferme and can only leave with the consent of the Chief scrutineer.

19.6 Pitlane/Garage

19.6.1 Drivers can only leave the pitlane when a green signal light is displayed at the exit of the pitlane passage.

The pitlane passage will be divided into two parts. The passage near the timing wall is called the "fast lane", and the passage near the Garage is called

the "internal passage". This is the only place where racing repairs can be carried out during the competition.

- 19.6.3 Participants are not allowed to randomly mark the dividing lines on the "internal passage" and "fast lane" of the maintenance area passage, unless approved by the organizer.
- 19.6.4 No tools shall be placed on the "fast lane", and drivers can stay on the "fast lane" for a short period of time while sitting inside the race car.
- 19.6.5 During the race, only internal passage can be used for maintenance work, and racing repair work cannot be carried out on the track.
- 19.6.6 All racing cars are not allowed to reverse or drive in the opposite direction on the fast lane at any time, and violators will be fined 2000 yuan.
- 19.6.7 There is a white boundary with the racetrack at the exit of the pitlane. Racing cars must fully pass the boundary line before they can use the entire track. Those who cross the boundary will be penalized, with a fine of 2,000 yuan for free practice, warm-up practice, and qualifying. Passing through the pitlane (DTP) once during the race and a fine of 2,000 yuan will also be imposed. If an accident occurs, full responsibility shall be borne for it.
- 19.6.8 Smoking is prohibited within the pitlane, otherwise the applicant will be fined 500 yuan.
- 19.6.9 The speed limit for driving in the pitlane is 60 kilometres per hour. Drivers who exceed the speed limit in the pitlane will be fined 1,000 yuan (RMB) per incident during practice, 3,000 yuan (RMB) per time during qualifying, DTP passing through the pitlane once and 3,000 yuan (RMB) per time during competition.
- 19.6.10 There is a clear speed limit sign next to the exit signal light in the pitlane. You can practice starting here while ensuring safety. Starting in other places is prohibited, and violators will be fined 2,000 yuan (RMB).
- 19.6.11 Racing cars are prohibited from using their own power to reverse within the pitlane.

19.7 Driver's Briefing

Before the start of free practice, the Race director will hold a driver's briefing. All drivers and entrants who register for the competition must participate in

the driver's briefing. Those who are absent without application will be fined 2,000 yuan (RMB) and can only participate after the driver's briefing is held by the Race director.

19.8 Overall safety

19.8.1 Participants are not allowed to use flags like those in Annex of the General Rules of the International Automobile Federation (FIA) to send messages to drivers.

19.8.2 Drivers are prohibited from driving their cars in reverse on the track, otherwise they will be immediately expelled. Unless it is necessary to remove the racing car from the danger zone, it must also be driven away from the danger zone under the guidance of the track marshal.

19.8.3 The driver who has problem with the racing car must park the car in a safe place, put it in neutral, and put the steering wheel in original operating position. The driver must immediately leave the dangerous position and not obstruct the marshal from removing the racing car from the dangerous location. Drivers who do not install the steering wheel according to regulations will receive a penalty of 2,000 yuan (RMB).

19.8.4 The participating teams should place at least one 5kg fire extinguisher in each Garage and maintenance area and ensure that it can be used normally.

19.8.5 According to the General Rules of the International Automobile Federation (FIA) and these rules, no one other than the driver is allowed to come into contact with a stalled race car, except in the maintenance area and starting position.

19.8.6 Drivers participating in practice and competitions must wear overall, helmets, HANS, and other equipment that comply with the General Rules of the International Automobile Federation (FIA). When weighing the racing car, the scrutineers will inspect this equipment.

19.8.7 When the Race director announces a wet race, the front headlights and rear light of the racing car must always be on.

19.8.8 During practice and competition, only 2 timekeepers are allowed to stay at the pit wall for each race car. Anyone under the age of 16 are not allowed to enter

the pit walls of the pitlane, the internal passages of the pitlane, and the boundary areas of the fast lane.

19.8.9 All motor vehicles, non-motorized cart, and animals except for racing cars are prohibited from entering the pitlane, racetrack, and spectator area.

19.8.10 During the race, if the car rushes into the gravel/run off area or stops at the edge of the track due to mechanical failure, the driver should leave the car as soon as possible while ensuring safety. They should wait for the rescue vehicles outside the track to rescue them and obey the command of the rescue team to tow the car back to the Parc Ferme.

19.9 Free practice

In free practice, drivers must strictly abide by the relevant regulations of the pitlane and track.

19.10 Interrupted Practice

When a serious accident occurs on the track, or if continuing to practice is dangerous due to weather conditions or other reasons, the Race director will interrupt the practice. The red signal light on the start line gantry will light up, and all marshal posts will show red flags. After issuing a signal to interrupt the practice, all racing cars must immediately slow down and slowly return to their respective parking spaces in the repair area, and overtaking is prohibited.

19.11 Tires

19.11.1 In 2024, the designated tire supplier is RUBBERCRAFT.

19.11.2 All participating vehicles must use the organizer designated tires for the whole event, otherwise they are not allowed to participate.

19.11.3 The designated wet tires for the event can only be used when the Race director announces a "Wet Race".

19.12 Starting Procedure

19.12.1 15 minutes before the final race, when the green light at the pitlane exit lights up, the pitlane exit opens. Racers can leave the pitlane for signing lap, or they can conduct multiple signing laps through the pitlane. After the signing lap are completed, the racing car enters the official grid position, and the engine is turned off.

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- 19.12.2 Ten minutes before the start of the final race, when the red light at the pitlane exit lights up, the pitlane exit is closed. Racing cars remaining in the pitlane must start from the pitlane and must follow the management and command of the marshal. After the driver is ready, they can drive the car to the exit of the pitlane. The pitlane exit is located on the front side of the start line. After all the cars starting from the track have passed the start line and started their first lap, and all these cars have passed the pitlane exit, this car can leave the pitlane exit and enter the racetrack.
- 19.12.3 In front of the warm up lap starting line, show signal signs for 5 minutes, 3 minutes, 1 minute, and 30 seconds. At the 3-minute signal, if the race car has **not yet** landed on all four wheels, it must start from the last starting position. At the 3-minute signal, except for the driver, race officials, and two team technicians, all other person must leave the track. At the 1-minute signal, the racing car must start the engine and the team mechanics need to leave the track.
- 19.12.4 Show the green flag at the starting position, and all racing cars start warm up lap. The racing cars must drive in their respective starting order. When all racing cars leave the starting area, all team technicians must return to the pitlane. When conducting warm up lap, it is prohibited to practice starting, maintain a safe distance between cars during warm up lap, and overtaking is prohibited in warm up lap, unless the car in front leaves the starting position slightly later. In this case, the car behind the car can overtake to avoid affecting the starting position of the car behind it. However, the overtaken car can still return to its original starting position order.
- 19.12.5 If the driver fails to start the warmup lap, they must signal to the marshal and wait for the cars behind them to pass the starting line. With the help of the marshal, they should push the car back to the pitlane from the shortest route. During this period, the car must be put in neutral and cannot be started. The team mechanic starts the maintenance work. After completing the maintenance work, the car can start from the pitlane.
- 19.12.6 When all the cars pass through the last row of starting positions and return to their respective starting positions, the last row will show a green flag, and

then the starting marshal will show a 5-second signal board. Then all the red signal lights are on, when all the red lights are off, racing start.

19.12.7 Before the red light goes out in the race, any movement of the racing car is considered as a jump start. After the warmup lap ends, any part of the race car that crosses the white line of the starting space while stationary is considered a jump start. If there is a jump start, the Panel of Steward will impose a penalty on DTP by passing through the pitlane once, confirmed by the starting judge or reported by the relevant judge.

19.12.8 If the car cannot start after the race start, the marshal can push the car to the pitlane and ask the team's mechanic to help start. If the start is successful, he can only start the car after the marshal sends a signal at the pitlane exit.

19.12.9 During the starting process, no one is allowed to enter the timing pit wall of the pitlane except for race officials and fire marshals.

19.12.10 It is prohibited to refuel a racing car at any time in the starting area or on the track.

19.13 End of race

19.13.1 The end time of the race shall be based on the presentation of the checkered flag. The checkered flag will be presented to the first racing car to cross the finish line within the specified distance (or time) of the race schedule. Only passing the checkered flag on the track will be considered as completing the race.

19.13.2 After seeing the signal to end the race, all cars must slow down and continue to complete this lap before returning to the organizer's designated location (Parc Ferme). Drivers cannot remove their seat belts and helmets before reaching the Parc Ferme.

19.13.3 After the race, the race results table shall be published, and participants may file protests in accordance with the General Rules of the International Automobile Federation (FIA) and these rules.

19.13.4 Each racing car can only pass the finish line checkered flag once, and drivers who pass the finish line checkered flag twice will be fined 2,000 yuan (RMB).

19.14 Safety Car

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- 19.14.1 15 minutes before race start, the safety car will be parked in the position in front of all starting positions. After presenting a 5-minute signal sign, the safety car will leave the starting area and wait at the first standby point.
- 19.14.2 According to the decision of the Race director, safety car can play a role in “controlling the competition “during the race.
- 19.14.3 When the Race director issues an order to deploy a safety car, all marshal posts show a waving yellow flag and a signal board with the words "SC".
- 19.14.4 During the race, a safety car with flashing yellow warning lights should enter the track from the pitlane without considering the position of the leading race car.
- 19.14.5 When seeing all the yellow flags and SC boards on the track, all racing cars are not allowed to overtake. When the safety car leads the team, the distance between each car cannot exceed the distance of 5 cars length.
- 19.14.6 When the safety car leads the race cars, the race car can enter the pitlane for maintenance, but can only return to the track when the green pit exit light at the pit exit is on.
- 19.14.7 When the safety car exits the racetrack, the yellow light on the roof of the safety car will be turned off, indicating that the safety car will return to the pitlane at the end of that lap. At this time, the first car behind the safety car may dictate the pace and, if necessary, fall more than five car lengths behind the safety car. drivers must proceed at a pace which involves no erratic acceleration, braking, or any other manoeuvre which is likely to endanger other drivers or impede the restart. As the safety car is approaching the pit entry, the yellow flags and SC boards at the marshal posts will be withdrawn and replaced by waved green flags with green lights at the Line and at the Intermediate race neutralisation end point(s). These will be displayed until the last car crosses the Line.
- 19.14.8 Each lap completed while the safety car is deployed will be counted as a race lap.
- 19.14.9 If the safety car is still deployed at the beginning of the last lap, or is deployed during the last lap, it will enter the pit lane at the end of the lap and

the cars will take the chequered flag at the control/time as normal without overtaking.

19.14.10 End of safety car session, after the safety car returns to the pit, all racing cars must pass the finish line with green flag waving than cars are allowed to overtake, otherwise it will be considered a yellow flag overtaking.

19.15 Suspension of race

19.15.1 If the track is blocked due to a serious accident, or if the race needs to be suspended due to weather or other reasons, at this point, the starting bridge will light up with red light and all marshal posts will show a red flag (or red light). At the same time, a marshal will raise a stationary red flag at the finish line podium.

19.15.2 When a red flag (or red light) is displayed, all racing cars must slow down immediately, overtaking is prohibited. They should stop in front of the red flag line on the grid. At this time, the car cannot enter the pitlane, and the exit of the pitlane will light up red. Violation of this rule will result with an investigation by the Panel of steward and corresponding penalty will apply.

19.15.3 If there is a race car that cannot return to the starting area due to track blockage or other reasons, the race car can wait until the track is restored to a clear state and wait to reach the finish line, without overtaking.

19.15.4 When all the racing cars are parked in front of the red flag line, if the race can resume, the starting area marshal will present the results of the previous lap according to the red flag, rearrange the starting positions of all the racing cars, and start again with a safety car leading the cars.

19.15.5 During the interruption period of the race, execute the following procedures:

- a) When the signal of interruption in the race is issued, the race car in the pitlane or pitlane passage will not be penalized. After the race is resumed, the pitlane passage starting format will be executed to continue the race.
- b) The Panel of Steward shall decide whether the starting area is open for team staff to enter, depending on the situation. In the case of an open starting area,

each race car is only allowed to be assisted by team staff in starting the car, and no maintenance work can be carried out.

- c) When confirmed by race control, cars parked on grid behind the red flag line can be served by two members of the team; much clear the area when three minutes board is up at the start line.

19.15.6 When the race is terminated due to the interruption of the red flag and cannot be resumed, the race result will be calculated based on the previous lap when the red flag signal is presented.

19.16 Resumption of Race

19.16.1 To confirm the resumption of the race, a countdown signal of at least five minutes will be given. The countdown signal will include 5 minutes, 3 minutes, 1 minute, and 30 seconds, and each count down signal will include an audio signal from the starting grid. Marshals will arrange the cars in the order indicated by race control; - any cars between the red flag line and the leader will be waved off to complete a further lap, without overtaking, and join the line of cars behind the safety car.

19.16.2 When a 5-minute countdown board is presented, the safety car will stop in front of red flag line and light up a yellow flashing light, indicating that the race will be restarted with the safety car leading a single line formation.

19.16.3 After presenting a 1-minute signal, the race car starts the engine, and all team members and tools must leave the starting area before presenting a 1-minute signal. If a driver needs assistance after presenting the 30 second board or signal, they must raise their hand to indicate problem with his car. When other cars successfully leave the starting grid to start the race, the marshal will direct the car to be pushed back to the pitlane. In this case, the marshal holding the yellow flag must stand next to the racing car and warn the other driver behind it.

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