

### REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee: Race Committee

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# Section Q - Circuit Racing

## **Proposed Regulation**

#### Stopping of a Race

**12.15**. Any race can be stopped at the sole discretion of the Clerk of the Course by ordering the waving of the Red flag at the Start/Finish line. Competitors will be warned that the race has been stopped by the simultaneous waving of the Red flag at all Flag Marshalling Posts This may be supplemented by the showing of red lights at the start line and around the circuit.

**12.15.1**. Any race stopped before the leader has completed two laps will be declared a "No Contest" and available competitors cars will restart from their original grid positions (12.16 also applies).

**12.15.2.** Any race stopped after the leader has completed more than two laps but less than 75% of its duration will be considered as the first part of the race. Competitors Cars will be restarted from a grid set out in the finishing order of this first part, which shall be based upon the order of crossing the finish line at one lap less than the number of laps completed by the leader at the time of first showing the Red Flag. Only vehicles cars which are proceeding under their own power, in accordance with 12.24.3(j) at the showing of the Red Flag will be classified in this first part (12.15.3, 12.16 and 12.17 also applyies).

**Q12.15.3** If a race covered by 12.15.2 cannot be restarted either at that time or later during the same event for whatever reason then the result will be declared applying the same principle described to produced the grid order at 12.15.2 above – the order of crossing the finish line at one lap less than the number of laps completed by the leader at the time of first showing the Red Flag.

**12.15.34.** When restarted tThe result will be the order of finishing at the end of the restarted race, unless Championship Regulations specify otherwise. The result will list all competitors who took the start in the race even if they did not take part in the restarted race and will use the first part for purposes of establishing lap records and point scoring where applicable (12.16 and 12.17 also applyies).

**12.15.45.** Any race stopped after the leader has completed 75% of its duration may be considered to have finished, unless the Clerk of the Course, in consultation with the Stewards of the Meeting, deems it appropriate to restart the race. The result will be based on the order of crossing the finish line at one lap



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less than the number of laps completed by the leader at the time of the first showing of the Red Flag. Only vehicles cars which are proceeding under their own power, in accordance with 12.24.3(j), at the showing of the Red Flag will be classified. If restarted 12.15.2, 12.15.4 and 12.17 will apply.

**12.16.** In the interval between stopping and restarting the race vehicles cars may return to the pit area for repairs. They may not return to the grid but may join from the pit lane after all the other vehicles cars have started. Non-runners at the time of stopping must return to the pit lane and may restart from the pit lane behind those referred to above if approved to do so by a Scrutineer. No work may be carried out on the grid unless on grounds of safety and with the prior approval of a Motorsport UK licenced Scrutineer. The Clerk of the Course may order that the duration of the second part or re-run of any race shall be of a shorter distance than originally scheduled, or may be abandoned altogether.

12.17. The Clerk of the Course may order that the duration of the second part or re-run of any race shall be a shorter distance than originally scheduled or may be abandoned altogether.

12.17.1. If the duration is adjusted by the Clerk of the Course the new duration shall be used for the calculation of 75% under 12.15.2 and 12.15.5.

12.17.2. If the first part of the race was stopped under 12.15.1 the duration of the re-run will be determined as the duration of the race.

12.17.3. However if the first part of the race was stopped under 12.15.2 then the duration of the second part will be added to the duration of the first part (the elapsed time at which the red flag was shown) and the amalgamated figure will be used to determine the overall race duration.

#### Date of Implementation: 1st January 2024

**Reason**: Clarification. Taking account that Trucks are also covered by these regulations the terminology is changed to be more inclusive.

The proposal has been raised following a situation having arisen which highlighted that further clarity to the regulation was needed.

The new wording for 12.15.3. clarifies how the result will be achieved in the instance that the race cannot be restarted.

The inclusion of 'prior' in 12.16. clarifies that approval is needed by the licensed Scrutineer in advance of any work being undertaken.

Removing the final sentence of 12.16. in respect of the Clerk reducing the duration of the second part of a two part race creates the newly proposed 12.17. which is then further clarified by the introduction of the remaining wording.