

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

Committee:	Race Committee
Date of Meeting:	18 March 2026
Closing date for consultation:	5 May 2026
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Proposed Regulation

Chapter 12 – Race Appendix 6 - Competition Regulations

5. Starts

- 5.5. Any **Driver** or **Vehicle** which has had all their **Practice** times disallowed but remains eligible to compete will be **required to start from the pit lane after all the other Vehicles have taken the start signal and passed the pit lane exit. Where practical drivers should be afforded the opportunity to complete the green flag lap before proceeding to the pit exit.** ~~placed behind the rear line of the normal starting grid and will not start when the normal starting signal is given.~~
- a. ~~Such **Drivers** will be given a starting signal 10 seconds later.~~
 - b. ~~This delayed start cannot be applied retrospectively.~~
 - c. ~~For the purpose of calculating times or speed the normal starting signal will be used.~~
 - d. ~~If more than one **Driver** is subject to this rule then **the pit lane starting order positions shall be determined by the Clerk of the Course.**~~
 - e. ~~For races with a rolling start such **Competitors** will start from the pit lane after all the other **Vehicles** have started.~~

Date of Implementation: **1st January 2027**

Reason: Following the Judicial committee meeting held 5 November 2025 Race Committee were referred a request to change NCR Ch.12 App.6 Art.5.5. The proposal had been raised at the meeting due to a "loophole" becoming known in the paddock, whereby drivers are avoiding the 10-second hold by electing to be a "pit lane starter" instead. It is proposed, to ensure a consistent and effective penalty, the regulation be changed to make a pit lane start mandatory for all such offences, irrespective of whether it is a standing or rolling start.

Clerks will then need to decide if the competitor should undertake the green flag lap or be sent straight to the pit exit.