

# VIRginia International Raceway June 9 – 12, 2020 Stewards Bulletin



To: All Entrants

Subject: Stewards Bulletin 006 - Qualifying Procedures for 2020 Season Make-Up Races

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The Stewards call all competitors attention to World Challenge America Sporting Note #1 – Clarifications and Errata – which describes qualifying procedures for 2020 season make up races.

Sporting Note #1 is posted here (follows) and on the Series website.

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# **SPORTING NOTE #1**

# **CLARIFICATIONS and ERRATA**

2020 SEASON

Please note the following corrections / clarifications / amendments to the 2020 Pirelli GT4 America Sporting Regulations:

<u>Article 3.6:</u> All drivers, Competitors and Officials participating in the Series must hold a current and valid license. For GT4 drivers, the minimum requirement is a Grade D FIA international Driver's license, or an equivalent license such as the International License for Drivers with Disabilities and, where applicable, a valid license and/or authorisation issued by their ASN. A driver must be in possession of a current medical certificate of aptitude and permission from their ASN to compete in the event.

#### Article 28.7.1 Pirelli GT4 SprintX

h) The Driver Ballast is not included in the minimum BOP weight of the car except for cars competing in the Pirelli GT4 America SprintX Silver, Pro-Am or AM category

## Article 29.9 Joker Tire

Each car competing in the Series has an allocation of one joker tire per Competition, which can be used to replace any tire which has been damaged or is otherwise unusable. The use of a joker tire will only be authorized on information from the Race Director or Stewards that the car was involved in an Incident or other on-track occurrence, and confirmation from Pirelli and/or Technical Delegate that the tire to be replaced may no longer be safely used provided that the Stewards of the Meeting are satisfied that the damage has not been caused on purpose or by misuse. A formal request must be made in writing and must include the reference of the damaged tire and the reference of the tire replacing it. If no Joker tire is requested during a Competition, this joker tire is considered to have lapsed and cannot be carried over to the next Competition.

If the races of one Event, cancelled due to force majeure, are split between two later Events then one additional Joker Tyre will be made available for the two races. Should this Joker Tyre not be used in the first replacement event, it will be carried over to the second replacement event. If it is not used in the second replacement event it will be considered to have lapsed and cannot be carried over to any further events. Example:

Competition	Joker Tires Allowed
VIR Races 1 & 2	1 Joker Tire
VIR Race 3 & Sonoma Race 3	1 Joker Tire

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## **Article 29.11 Tire Limitations**

**SprintX**: For returning Pirelli GT4 SprintX cars a maximum of two (2)-three (3) sets of new "dry" tires must be registered. Sets one (1) through three (3) may be used during Qualifying and Races 1, 2 and 3. Tires for Practice sessions will not be monitored and may be carryovers or new tires.

**Sprint:** For returning Pirelli GT4 Sprint cars a maximum of  $\frac{1}{2}$  three (3) sets of new "dry" tires must be registered. Sets one (1) through three (3) may be used during Qualifying and Races 1 & 2. Tires for Practice sessions will not be monitored and may be carryovers or new tires.

SprintX and Sprint Cars not entered in the make-up round (Race 3) will respect the previous rule by registering two (2) sets of new "dry" tires maximum.

# Article 41.7.1 Event format for Competitions with two 60-minute races (Case B):

### Qualifying

No driver may take the start of either Race without completing one timed lap (not including in and out laps) in either Q1 or Q2 qualifying sessions, except in a case of force majeure duly recognized as such by the Stewards. Drivers who set a time outside 120% of the fastest time during the relevant session during qualifying or practice sessions may be authorized by the Stewards of the Meeting to take part in the race. Permission must be requested from the Stewards of the Meeting for any such drivers to participate in the race.

Controls on the tire markings may be carried out before the cars enter the track under the orders of the marshals. There will be a green flag and a red flag at the pit lane exit. Cars may only leave their working area according to the procedure detailed in Article 34.15. Cars may only leave the pit lane when the green flag is waved at the start or restart of a session. Further, a blue flag or a blue flashing light may be shown at the pit lane exit to warn drivers leaving the pit lane if cars are approaching on the track

If for any reason, the Qualifying session cannot take place, or is stopped before times can be set, the best time from each driver during Practice 2 will be used to set the grid, with the best time from Driver 1 setting the grid for Race 1, and the best time from Driver 2 setting the grid for Race 2.

Qualifying sessions will be a maximum of 15 minutes per session with a minimum of 10 minutes of cumulative green flag time per qualifying session. When possible, every reasonable effort will be made to provide the minimum cumulative green flag running time for each segment. This provision is not subject to protest or appeal.

Any car causing a stoppage and/or red flag during qualifying will lose its fastest qualifying lap time. Any car(s) involved in a simultaneous or concurrent incident will be reviewed by the Stewards and is subject to penalty.

SprintX Event 1 (Makeup Race 1):

The fastest time set by each car in Q1 will set the grid for Race 1.

The fastest time set by each car in Q2 will set the grid for Race 2.

The 2<sup>nd</sup> fastest qualifying lap for Driver 1 sets the grid for Race 3. Driver 1 must start Race 3 at that event.

SprintX: Event 2 (Makeup Race 2):

Fastest qualifying lap for Driver 1 sets the grid for Race 1

Fastest qualifying lap for Driver 2 sets the grid for Race 2

The 2nd fastest qualifying lap for Driver 2 sets the grid for Race 3. Driver 2 must start Race 3 at that event. The Driver line-up may change between Event 1 and Event 2, but for Silver/Silver or Bronze/Bronze line-ups, the order of Driver 1 and Driver 2 must remain the same.

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### Article 41.7.2 Bronze Only Practice (Paid) - removal of an incorrect Article number

# Article 41.7.2 Event format for Competitions with two 50-minute races (Case C):

#### Qualifying

No driver may take the start of either Race without completing one timed lap (not including in and out laps) in the qualifying session, except in a case of force majeure duly recognized as such by the Stewards. Drivers who set a time outside 120% of the fastest time during the relevant session during qualifying or practice sessions may be authorized by the Stewards of the Meeting to take part in the race. Permission must be requested from the Stewards of the Meeting for any such drivers to participate in the race.

Controls on the tire markings may be carried out before the cars enter the track under the orders of the marshals. There will be a green flag and a red flag at the pit lane exit. Cars may only leave their working area according to the procedure detailed in Article 34.15. Cars may only leave the pit lane when the green flag is waved at the start or restart of a session. Further, a blue flag or a blue flashing light may be shown at the pit lane exit to warn drivers leaving the pit lane if cars are approaching on the track

The qualifying session will be a maximum of 15 minutes with a minimum of 10 minutes of cumulative green flag time. When possible, every reasonable effort will be made to provide the minimum cumulative green flag running time for each segment. This provision is not subject to protest or appeal.

Any car causing a stoppage and/or red flag during qualifying will lose its fastest qualifying lap time. Any car(s) involved in a simultaneous or concurrent incident will be reviewed by the Stewards and is subject to penalty.

The fastest time set by each car in qualifying will set the grid for Race 1.

The fastest lap time from Race 1 will set the grid for Race 2.

The grid for Race 3 will be set by the fastest lap times in Race 2.

If a driver fails to start Race 2 or fails to set a timed lap during Race 2, then that driver will be positioned at back of the grid for Race 3. If more than one driver is concerned, then they will be positioned at the back of the grid for Race 3 in ascending order of their fastest lap from Race 1.

Article 41.98 and 41.10 Reserved for future use.

Signed by the Sporting Board

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