## **START LINE PROCEDURE**

- 1. The organizer must ensure the competitors have as equal starting conditions as possible.
- 2. The start procedure must be precisely described by the organizer in the competitions supplementary regulations and / or explained in drivers briefing based on a track layout.
- 3. The competitor is obliged to arrive to the start zone:
  - 3.1 In qualification: when drivers competition queue is up. Suggestion at least 5 cars before not to miss the start.
  - If the driver has technical problems with car, the driver can ask the race director to be moved at the end of the qualification queue. If not informed before the driver must be on the start line, the driver will be forfeit from that qualification run.
  - 3.2 In tandems session: at the start zone at least 5 cars before the particular run or as explained in drivers briefing based on a track layout. After TOP 8 according to competitions supplementary regulations and / or as explained in drivers briefing based on a track layout.
- 4. Failure of a competitor to appear at the start zone on time is equated to the loss of that race.
- 5. Before the start, the racing cars are placed on the start line according to start line judge directions, which must be followed.
- 6. In the start zone area after the line-up, the competitor must stay in his car until he is given the permission to drive to the start line. Unless there is a race stoppage, and the start line judge gives permission to get out of the car. In this case, the competitor can have another opportunity to warm up tires if that is necessary.
- 7. The competitor must be ready for tandems at the latest when the competing 2 pairs ahead of him starts. This rule applies until the TOP 8 races.
  - 7.1. If one race car is already on the start line for the first tandem run, the other competitor must move to the start line immediately. If the second race car does not reach the start line within 3 minutes when it's announced, the missing competitor loses this tandem run.
  - 7.2. After the first run of the tandem, both competitors must drive from the finish line immediately to the start line for the second tandem run. If one of the competitors is at the start line, the other competitor has a maximum of 3 minutes to move from the finish line to the start line. If one or both competitors do not reach the start line after this time / or as explained in drivers briefing based on a track layout, drivers can take competition timeout (if the driver still has it). If the driver doesn't show up to the start line after time ends, the driver, or in case of both drivers, will be forfeit from the race.
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## **COMPETITION TIMEOUT**

- ➤ Drivers can ask for **one-time** 5 minutes maintenance time (competition timeout), in any given moment of the race, by asking it from any official marshal available for him at that moment, who has radio connection with the race director.
- Competition timeout starts when the car is in its parking space in pits, or "hot pit", and mechanics start working on the car (tow car driver can ask help from mechanics, to move the car in to the pits, without clock starting). Competition timeout 5 minutes will be taken and observed by the head technical marshal or appointed marshal.

- ➤ The head technical marshal or appointed marshal follows to start the time for 5 minutes, but if mechanics are not ready yet or are looking for parts, then it is no longer than 2 minutes to do that. After the 5-minute count, the marshal starts the official 5-minute count.
- > Competition timeout ends, when the car moves out from its pit area, driver must be in the car, full geared, and ready to race. The competition timeout can't be split into several timeouts.
- ➤ If car maintenance is not approved by the marshal or is declared not safe, or the fully geared driver and the car is not moving out from the cars dedicated pit area to the start line when 5-minute competition timeout ends, competitor will be forfeit from the race.
- Tire change and refueling must be done within collision time or competition timeout rule.
- If driver shows up to the start line, without mandatory race gear, he can take, (if he has) his competition timeout, to get his mandatory race gear on.

## "COLLISION TIME" EXTRA 5 MINUTES RULE

- After the collision, race director with judges identifies the cause of the collision.

  A competitor who was NOT IN fault of the collision, may request from the race director 5 minutes of maintenance time to repair the race car, this time is identified as "collision time".
- If necessary, after the requested "collision time", the competitor has the right to use the competitor's own competition timeout, from the competition timeout rule at the end of the extra "collision time", unless, he has not used it already.
- The driver IN fault of the collision, can take his competition timeout, by the rule. "Collision time" 5 minutes do not comply to the driver IN fault of the collision.
- Tire change and refueling must be done within collision time or competition timeout rule.

## AFTER "COLLISION TIME" AND/OR COMPETITION TIMEOUT

When the "collision time" and/or the competition timeout expires, the driver must be ready according to start line procedure for the next battle.

After the damage to the race car, the driver can ask for one lap test run. After the successful test run, the driver has time according to start line procedure to get back to the start line.