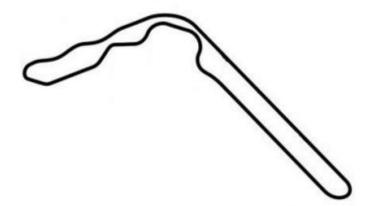


# **Lotus Hethel Sprint**

co-promoted by the Lotus Motor Club





7 September 2025 Final Instructions







# FINAL INSTRUCTIONS

This meeting is organised by the Borough 19 Motor Club and co-promoted by Lotus Motor Club. Governed by the Motorsport UK National Competition Rules incorporating the provisions of the FIA International Sporting Code, additional supplementary regulations, and any written instructions that the organisers issue for the meeting.

# 1. PERMIT:

Motorsport UK Permit Number Interclub: 203355

#### 2. VENUE:

The Test Track at the Group Lotus Cars Factory at Potash Lane, Hethel, near Wymondham, Norfolk, NR14 8EZ, off the B1135 about 3 miles from the junction with the A11. The north end of Potash Lane is closed to traffic.

# 3. OFFICIALS:

Motorsport UK Steward: Alan Barnard

Club Stewards: David Hussey, Peter Hubbard

Clerk of the Course:

Deputy Clerk:

Andy Cox
Assistant Clerk:

Chris Humphreys

Chief Scrutineer: Kevin Peake
Environmental Scrutineer: Rob Dominy

Chief Timekeeper: John Sharp, Speed Timing Services

Chief Medical Officer: CAM Rescue Chief Marshal: Kevin Farrell Marshal Coordinator: Kevin Farrell Safeguarding Officer: Jane Burgess Secretary of the Meeting: James Shore

# 4. CHAMPIONSHIPS:

This event will be a round in the following championships:

CHAMPIONSHIP	STATUS
GF & Co. Borough 19 MC Sprint Championship	Interclub
Go Traffic Management AEMC/ASEMC Sprint Championship	Interclub
Hamilton Classic ACSMC	Interclub
Insite Graphics Sevenoaks Speed Leagues	Interclub
Tunbridge Wells MC ALL Circuit Sprint Championship	Interclub
HSA Speed Championship	Interclub
HSA Sprint Leaders Championship	Interclub
Aston Martin Owners Club	Interclub
BARC Speed Championship	Interclub
Classic Marques Speed Challenge	Interclub
TR Register Sprint and Hillclimb Championship	Interclub

# **PHOTOGRAPHY & CAMERA PHONES:**

We have been advised by Group Lotus that the use of cameras, on board video cameras and camera phones for photography purposes is STRICTLY PROHIBITED. We would appreciate the co-operation of all competitors and their support personnel to abide by the ruling to safeguard the venue for the future. FAILURE TO COMPLY WILL MEAN AUTOMATIC DISQUALIFICATION FROM THE EVENT AND VENUE. An Official photographer will be appointed, and photos made available to Competitors via Borough 19 MC.









# 5. PADDOCK ACCESS:

Paddock access will be from 06.30am on Sunday 7<sup>th</sup> September 2025 and competitors will be directed to their allocated paddock area. We may have to ask you to move trailers to the front carpark once competition cars have been unloaded with only one support vehicle per competition car. Competitors in class A1-A6 using trailers will need to leave them in the front carpark.

# 6. PASSES:

Admission will be via passes which must be displayed in the windscreen of your tow car and a support car. No passes can be issued at the entrance gate. Please do not tell friends or club members to 'just turn up' as they will be denied access. Stop at the Factory Security Gatehouse for entry approval. Drive on following the temporary direction arrows to the Paddock and park in your allotted area. Only competition cars and trailers are allowed in the paddock so all support cars must be parked in the car park next to the security building.

# 7. SIGNING ON:

- a) Competitors will sign-on, complete their Scrutineering Declaration and read and acknowledge the Driver's Briefing using the electronic Signing On link which will be emailed to you in advance of the event. Sign on must be completed prior to Sunday morning, failure to do so may prevent the competitor from taking part in the event.
- b) Competitors licences may be checked against the Motorsport UK database Competitors licences and club membership cards may be checked at the venue.
- c) Upgrade cards will be signed if handed in to the Secretary of the Meeting in the morning. Competitors are reminded that upgrade cards must have a photograph. Signed upgrade cards may be collected at the end of the meeting.
- d) Marshals and Officials will sign-on in advance of the event using the electronic Signing On link which will be emailed to you prior to the event. Sign on must be completed before Sunday morning. The briefing has been provided with these instructions.
- e) Marshals must check in with the Chief Marshal on Sunday morning to confirm attendance NOTE check in will be at the Race Admin Office.

Marshals Check In: 07:30am
On Post: 08.35am
Clerks Inspection: 08:45am
First Activity: 09:00am

# 8. NOTICE BOARD:

The official noticeboard can be accessed via: <a href="https://borough19.alphatiming.co.uk/noticeboard/13688">https://borough19.alphatiming.co.uk/noticeboard/13688</a>

# 9. JUDICIAL PROCEDURES:

Any Judicial matters will be dealt with in accordance with current Motorsport UK legislation as prescribed in the Blue Book.

# **10. SCRUTINEERING & ELIGIBLITY:**

Scrutineering will take place via the self-declaration included within the Competitor Signing On process in addition to physical scrutineering on the morning of the event. Online Scrutineering will close at 12pm on Friday 5 September, please complete your declaration well in advance of this time. All vehicles will be examined at the circuit and eligibility may be checked by the appointed Eligibility Scrutineer or by any member of the Motorsport UK Technical Commission as listed within the Motorsport UK Yearbook. Any eligibility checks must be undertaken with only the scrutineer at the vehicle. Vehicles will be presented at the scrutineering bay per the schedule below:

07:00 Classes A1, A2, A3 07:20 Classes A4, A5 07:40 Classes A6, A7, A8

08:00 Classes B9, B10, B11, B12, B13

08:20 Classes C14, C15, E30

08:30 Classes D16, D17, D18 in situ in Paddock









PLEASE MAKE SURE YOU PRSESENT YOUR CARS FOR SCRUTINEERING AT THE APPOINTED TIME TO ENSURE SCRUTINEERING IS COMPLETED ON SCHEDULE. FAILURE TO DO SO MAY RESULT IN EXCUSION FROM THE EVENT

# 11. BRIEFINGS:

An online briefing will be provided in advance of the event via the Signing On link and will need to be read and acknowledged prior to the event.

All drivers must report for a briefing on the day at Race Admin at 08:30am

#### **12. NOISE POLLUTION:**

The Noise test will be 2/3 max revs at 0.5 metre from the end of the exhaust pipe at an angle of 45 degrees. Cars will be tested prior to Practice.

# **13. COURSE FAMILIARISATION:**

Drivers may walk or pedal cycle the course on Sunday up to 08:30am.

# **14. EVENT PROCEDURE:**

There will be one practice run and four timed runs in accordance with the timetable. Time and weather permitting.

All junior competitors who have not competed at the venue previously will be required to drive 3 observed laps of the circuit. A Motorsport UK licenced driver may accompany the competitor. These observed laps will be completed prior to the practice session. Alternatively this will be unnecessary if proof can be provided that 3 Motorsport UK events (in any discipline) have previously been undertaken.

Please familiarise yourself with the location of the Assembly Area before practice.

Any vehicle which leaves the track, involuntarily or otherwise, or becomes stationary on the track, may not complete its run. A vehicle which becomes stationary off the track may not return to the track until the driver is instructed to do so by a marshal. In all these instances a re-run will not be permitted.

IT IS A CONDITION OF THE EVENT THAT VEHICLES DO NOT OVERTAKE. In the case of a competitor being baulked by a slower car, he should maintain station and request the Clerk of the Course to grant a re-run.

# **15. STARTS:**

The practising of competing cars outside the designated course area is strictly forbidden and may result in the competitor being excluded from the meeting forthwith.

There are no designated practice starts or tyre warming areas at this venue.

Cars will queue towards the Start line. They will be started singly by traffic lights with up to four cars on the track at one time. Competing vehicles will be brought forward to the start line by one of the start line marshals at which time the driver must be entirely ready to start.

When each vehicle is in position to start, the driver will be directed to watch the Starters lights.

When the traffic lights turn green, the driver has a maximum of 5 seconds to leave the start-line. After this 5 second interval, the run will be void and no re-run will be given. If the competing vehicle has not left the start line within five seconds, the start marshal will display a red light to the competitor and the run will be void. No re-runs will be awarded for this occurrence. Any driver who ignores the red light and commences the run may be excluded from the event.

Automatic timing will commence when the vertical timing strut is sensed by the timing beam.

# 16. FINISH:

The finish line is located along the Factory Straight.









At the end of the run, cars must slow down after taking the Chequered Boards and reduce speed prior to entering the pit lane where there is a 10-mph speed limit

Cars being shared by two drivers should be driven to a safe position before re-joining the queue with the numbers changed and driver swapped.

<u>Drivers are reminded that crash helmets and seat belts must be worn until vehicles have returned</u> to the paddock

# **17. FLAG SIGNALS:**

Only 3 flag signals may be used.

- Union Flag at the start if the start lights fail.
- Chequered Flag / Board at the Finish.
- Red Flag (14.3.1.10a)

If a Red Flag is displayed at a marshal's post, immediately cease driving at racing speed and proceed slowly, without overtaking, and with maximum caution to pits or start line obeying marshals' instructions and being prepared to stop should the track be blocked.

Competitors who ignore a red flag signal may be disqualified, have their licence endorsed and incur licence penalty points in accordance with (2.2.1)

# 18. TIMETABLE:

The programme of the meeting will be:

Scrutineering starts at: 07:00am

Signing On: This will be done before the event via the B19 Event system

Drivers Briefing: 08:30am (and online prior to the event)

Junior Driver Observation laps: 09:00am

Practice Starts at: As soon as Junior Observation Laps finish

First timed runs start: As soon as Practice finishes

Any competitor not signed on prior to the start time may be disqualified.

#### 19. PRESENTATION:

Awards will be presented at the end of the event outside race administration.

FTD An Award
1st in Class An Award
2nd (subject to 4 starters) An Award
3rd (subject to 7 starters) An Award
Best Junior An Award

No competitor may win more than one award.

All awards must be collected on the day. If a competitor is not able to attend the award presentations, please can they arrange for their award to be collected on their behalf

# **20. RESULTS & PROTESTS:**

Provisional results will be published as soon as possible after the final run. Please note we will not be producing any paper copies of results. Results will be accessible via the virtual notice board and the Results link: <a href="https://www.speedtiming.co.uk/HethelSept2025">https://www.speedtiming.co.uk/HethelSept2025</a>

During the day run timing will be available on a screen at the timing tent in addition to online. Results are provided as a snapshot pdf which will be updated at a regular pace throughout each run. To access results, click on the link, then press the Results button to get the latest uploaded pdf of times. To refresh it is necessary to navigate back to the launch page each time (by either re-clicking the link or returning via the button beneath the pdf).

Protests and appeals should be made in accordance with the relevant sections of the Motorsport UK National Competition Regulations Chapter 2.









# **21. IDENTIFICATION:**

Identification will be by competition numbers on either side of the car which will be allocated by the organisers, however, numbers will not be provided by the organisers. Where a car is driven by two drivers, the numbers not in use must be removed. If this is not done, the timekeeper may not give a time.

Numbers must be displayed on a contrasting background e.g. black on white, white on red. Any vehicle whose numbers cannot be clearly identified will be instructed to make changes and may forfeit a timed run if this is not adequately completed.

Competition numbers must be covered whilst being driven on the public highway.

# 22. MARKING & PENALTIES:

Competitors will be penalised by 5 seconds for each course cone struck. In the event of a competing car failing to keep all four wheels on the designated course a penalty of '4 wheels off' [4WO] will be imposed and no time will be given for that run. Failure to follow the correct route [WR] will also result in no time given. If, for any reason, a competing vehicle strikes the course timing equipment a time will not be given for that run.

# 23. TIMING STRUTS:

Timing will be activated by a light beam and competing vehicles will be required to be fitted with a timing strut in accordance with Motorsport UK NCR 14.4.11.

# **24. TIMING QUERIES:**

Any queries regarding times should be raised by competitors with the Secretary of the Meeting at the Race Admin Office. Competitors must not approach timekeepers direct and should any competitor query a time directly with a timekeeper, they will be disqualified from the event.

# **25. NOISE:**

STATIC TEST – A maximum of 105dB at 2/3 maximum revs measured 0.5m from the end of the exhaust pipe at an angle of 45 degrees.

Temporary or insecure exhausts will not be permitted

# **26. JUDGES OF FACT:**

Start Line Marshals – Judges of Fact for start line procedure.

Environmental Scrutineer – Judge of Fact for noise issues.

Course Marshals – Judges of Fact for course marker penalties, course violations and baulking. Chief Timekeeper – Judge of Fact for timing matters

# 27. CATERING:

Mobile caterers will be in the Paddock, please support this facility.

# **28. TOILET FACILITIES:**

Ladies and disabled facilities are in the clubhouse

On behalf of both the co-promoting clubs, we would like to wish you a safe and enjoyable event.

Steve Castle James Shore

Clerk of the Course Secretary of the Meeting

