

The "New Normal" at Bemsee for MARSHALS

BULLET-POINT DOCUMENT

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The following guidelines have been produced in accordance with the current Government and ACU Guidelines and, as such, will be under constant review. Please check back regularly to ensure you have the most up-to-date information.

It is anticipated that the "New Normal" will need to be adopted for the foreseeable future, but as Government and ACU Guidelines relax (or vice versa), we would ask that you please bear with us whilst we work to get this as right as possible for all involved.

We would politely request that Marshals read and familiarise yourself with these guidelines so that you can make an informed decision prior to selecting availability for one of our meetings (whether it be for a test day or race days). It is important that you know what to expect and this will also help to ensure that everyone can work more effectively as a team at the meeting.

A FULL document, containing more detail, is also available.

Impact on the NHS Generally

Prior to laying out the guidelines for Marshalling, it is worth mentioning a moral consideration of just how much our 'fun' will impact on the NHS at this current time. I would like to assure you that the Club is very much aware of this moral obligation and will be contacting relevant medical services prior to each meeting to ensure the potential impact of a Bemsee meeting is acceptable to said services at that time.

PRIOR TO THE RACE MEETING:

Availability and Tickets

- Availability continues to be determined via the online system at bemsee.net and via the Chief Marshal
- No paper tickets will be issued – eTicket admission ONLY
- Marshal Final Instructions will be published online and a link sent via email prior to each meeting

Marshal Numbers and Experience

- As per ACU guidelines, we are unable to accept availability from new or inexperienced Marshals
- Please ensure the Chief Marshal is FULLY aware of your level of experience prior to a meeting
- We anticipate that full training will still be available at Brands Hatch in February 2021
- We hope to welcome all new and inexperienced Marshals again as soon as possible

Marshals Considered to be at Risk from Covid-19

- If you are in the high-risk category, please consider
- We care about your health

Experiencing Covid-19 Symptoms?

If experiencing Covid-19 symptoms prior to a meeting:

- Please do NOT attend the meeting
- Please inform the Chief Marshal of non-attendance as soon as possible

If experiencing Covid-19 symptoms whilst at a meeting:

- Please isolate yourself as soon as possible
- Please leave the circuit to a safer place as soon as possible
- Please notify the Chief Marshal as soon as you can

AT THE RACE MEETING:

Circuit Entry

- You will need to show your eTicket at entry to a circuit
- Paper tickets will no longer be available

Parking and Getting to Corner

- Please ensure you park sensibly, taking the need for social distancing into account
- Car sharing is not permissible
- You will need to make your own way to corner, lift via Recovery will not be available

Camping

- Camping is currently available and allowed at circuits
- There may be limited toilet facilities available for campers due to extra cleaning requirements at some circuits
- Please check your Marshals Final Instructions for the latest camping information prior to a meeting

Marshal Sign-on

- Please check Marshal Final Instructions for signing-on location as may differ from the past
- A printed declaration will be available for you to read at signing on
- Once you have agreed to the declaration, the Chief Marshal will allocate you to a sector
- Please see *Food and Trophy Presentations* section re breakfasts

Radio Use and Earpieces

- Marshals will use the same radio for the duration of the meeting
- Radios will be cleaned when returned each day for recharging
- Return location for radios at the end of the day will be notified on the radio
- Earpieces to be kept by the user for the duration of the meeting
- Earpieces to be returned by the user at the end of the meeting

Social Distancing and Protective Equipment for Each Sector

- Marshals to maintain social distancing whilst on corner, wherever possible
- Where social distancing is not possible, a face covering must be worn by all
- Marshals will be allocated to groups of 2 or 3 (dependant on corner)
- Rotation of Marshals will be limited
- Flag Marshals to adopt appropriate cleaning of equipment in the case of a necessary swap-over

- One or two Marshals will be allocated to attendance of a fallen rider
- Marshals not allocated to attendance of a faller, must NOT attend the faller
- Clean your hands regularly
- Please ensure you bring a face covering
- Consider bringing a spare pair of gloves and spare face coverings (optional)

Equipment provided on corner as follows:

- Face masks and clear shields for the use of Marshals who have been allocated to attendance of fallers and potentially injured riders
- Freezer bags (in case of rain, to help keep equipment as dry as possible whilst not in use)
- IPA spray for use on equipment where necessary
- Hand gel
- Hand wipes
- Tissues
- Various rubber gloves
- Clinical waste bags

Dealing with Incidents

- Marshals to stay within their allocated group of 2 or 3 Marshals
- Maximum of 3 Marshals attending an incident to move a machine (e.g. in the case of gravel)
- Marshals to ensure they pick up and recover a machine in the correct manner (i.e. facing in the same direction and NOT towards each other, at all times)
- Appropriate for an additional spotter, whilst maintaining social distance from other Marshals
- 1 or 2 Marshals ONLY to be allocated to faller attendance
- Allocated Marshals to direct rider to a safe place whilst maintaining social distance where possible
- Allocated Marshals to wear provided PPE when attending fallen rider (they can bring their own if they prefer)
- Spare PPE will be provided for the Marshals allocated to attending a fallen rider
- Hand gel will be provided for necessary use
- Circuits will be expected to provide appropriate toilet facilities as required
- Note: IPA spray is flammable and due care should be taken
- If a rider does not require medical attention, the allocated Marshal will need to keep an eye on them whilst maintaining social distance and wearing PPE, in case of deterioration

Dealing with Fallers Requiring Medical Attention

- ONLY the allocated Marshals to attend fallen riders
- Ensure wearing gloves, face mask and face shield
- Wherever possible, maintain social distancing from the rider
- Do NOT lift the rider's visor
- Session to be stopped by IO as required
- Medical attention will arrive as quickly as possible
- Once handed over to the Medical team, retreat from the scene to give the Medics space

Medics to Look at Rider at the End of Session

- If the rider can travel in the back of Recovery with the bikes, Recovery will take the rider to Tech Bay with the bikes and Medics will be requested to see the rider there
- If the rider is unable to travel in the back of Recovery, Medics will be requested to attend the rider at the corner on the outside of the circuit if possible, if not, it will need to be trackside

Circuit Contamination

- Same as previous
- Recovery will be unable to give Marshals a lift to site of contamination

Session Stops and Concerns

- If you need to stop a session... stop it... no questions asked!
- Your safety remains THE most important thing
- If a Marshal is uncomfortable or feels 'unsafe' please advise IO or Chief Marshal straight away

Food and Trophy Presentations

- Unlikely to be able to provide cooked breakfast and lunches at current time
- Takeaway breakfasts and lunches available with details to be confirmed
- Final Instructions to advise on food situation for each meeting ... PLEASE CHECK
- Marshals MAY be required to bring their own food for evenings
- Unable to provide a Marshals BBQ at the current time
- There will be no trophy presentations at the current time
- All reviewed on a regular basis
- Please check your final instructions!

Payments

- £20 cash payment for Marshalling on Friday (potential workday)
- £30 cash payment per tent/caravan for Marshalling Saturday and Sunday and camping (i.e. travelling a distance in line with HMRC... to help with travel expenses)
- If camping, please ensure you notify the Chief Marshal at signing on

I would like to stress that EVERY Marshal is considered as an invaluable volunteer. We care a great deal for your personal safety and feel it is important to be as transparent as possible with regards to what you may expect at a race meeting, so that you can make an informed decision under the current circumstances.

Please advise me as soon as possible if you are unable to attend a meeting you have put down for. This has become more important than ever, when considering that we may be limiting Marshal numbers due to social distancing requirements. We may be able to replace you with another Marshal if I am made aware of your non-attendance with adequate time.

Stay safe and please stay in touch... you can always give me a call or send an email if you have any questions or just want a chat.

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These guidelines have been produced with the consultation of other experienced Marshals and Medical personnel.