

OMOLOGATO[®] SUPERPOLE



AMENDMENTS FOR APPLICATION FOR ROUND SEVEN 27.28.29 AUGUST 2022 – CADWELL PARK

3 MCRCB SPORTING REGULATIONS – EVENT AND RACE PROCEDURES **3.1 PRACTICE AND QUALIFYING/GRID POSITIONS (BSB)**

Prior to the Qualifying and Superpole there will be a minimum of four free practice sessions scheduled (note: tyre stickers will not be required for FP4).

To determine the starting grid for Race 1, the BSB Qualifying format held on day two of the event will consist of two phases; Qualifying and Superpole. There will be an interval of fifteen minutes between the end of Qualifying (displaying of the chequered flag and pit lane exit closed) and the start of Superpole (green flag and pit lane exit opened). If for any reason the Race Director deems it necessary to extend the interval time between phases, this will be displayed on the timing screen. The organisers will endeavour to recover to the pit lane riders and motorcycles that may have crashed or retired around the circuit during the interval.

In each qualifying phase riders will be restricted to using a maximum of ONE marked rear dry tyre (Q sticker).

Riders graduating to Superpole (the top three) from Qualifying will receive one extra Q sticker and authorised to use one extra set of tyres to the regular weekend tyre usage allocation.

The tyre usage restriction for Qualifying will apply only if the Qualifying phase is declared “dry”.

In the case of a rider(s) seeded directly to Superpole (the top twelve riders from the combined FP1/FP2 classification) and subsequently withdrawing from the event or declared unfit to take part in Superpole, the list of seeded riders to take part in Superpole will be confirmed immediately after FP4, with the next fastest rider(s) from the combined FP1/FP2 classification taking the place of the withdrawn rider(s).

Qualifying: 15 minutes duration.

Riders listed from 13th onwards in the overall combined classification of FP1 and FP2 will be eligible to take part – subject to achieving satisfactory times during any of the Free Practices (within 107% the fastest time in at least one free practice session), - dispensation may be given in exceptional circumstances by the Race Direction. At the end of the session a provisional classification will be published on the timing screen. Riders occupying positions 4th onwards will be prohibited from taking any further part in Qualifying/Superpole and their machines must remain in parc ferme conditions. Lap times achieved by the three remaining riders will be deleted.

In the event of rain falling either immediately before Qualifying and all previous free practices have been held in dry conditions, the start of that particular session may be delayed by up to 5 minutes to allow for mechanical interventions/tyre changes etc.

Superpole (Dry):

Fifteen riders take part and must all be located in the bottom pits/pitlane.

Each rider will carry out 3 laps of the circuit (one warm up lap starting from pit exit – one timed lap – one slow down lap, entering the bottom pit lane). The riders will start one by one, from the pit lane exit, under a promotional arch, under the direction of an Official.

The starting order of the riders will be the opposite of the classification of Qualifying followed by the opposite of the combined classification of FP1/FP2 (i.e. the 3rd placed rider in Qualifying will start first, followed by the 2nd, 1st etc, then the 12th placed rider in the combined FP1/FP2 classification, followed by 11th, 10th etc.)

Approximately 2 minutes before the start of each rider a warning will be published on the timing monitor, teams radio and pit lane display panel.

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The Official will give the order to start to the first rider at the time scheduled and then to each following rider 30 seconds after the previous rider has started their timed lap.

Should any rider be unable to start a Superpole run for verifiable technical or medical reasons endorsed by the Chief Technical Officer or Chief Medical Officer, then they must declare this to a relevant official before the 2 minutes signal is presented to them. In this case the rider will be classified last in the Superpole

result. If this applies to more than one rider, the FP1/FP2/Qualifying result will determine the order of classification.

Any rider arriving late to the arch will automatically receive two penalty points on their disciplinary record.

After 60 seconds from the display of the 30 seconds notification, the pit lane exit will be closed for the late rider. In this case, or if the rider does not declare themself a non-starter in the method described above they will be classified last in the Superpole result and will receive an automatic three position grid penalty for race one. If this applies to more than one rider, the FP1/FP2/Qualifying result will determine the order of classification.

It is compulsory for a rider to return to the bottom pitlane at the completion of their slow down lap. Practice starts are forbidden on this lap.

Any rider obstructing another rider during this procedure will be penalised with a minimum penalty of a cancellation of all qualifying lap times and required to start race one from the pit lane exit.

If the procedure has to be interrupted, the pit lane exit will be closed (red flag + light) and red flags and red lights displayed around the circuit. A minimum interval of 5 minutes will be observed between the interruption and the restart of the procedure.

If a rider is on a warm up or timed lap and the red flag is shown, provided they are not the cause of the red flag, they will be authorised one further dry rear tyre and move to the end of the order of riders for the restart to make a new qualifying run.

Any rider who falls (may not restart), or has a technical problem, irrespective if it causes a red flag will not be authorised a further Superpole run if they have not started, or completed a Superpole timed lap.

If the Superpole is interrupted, a visible countdown will indicate the time remaining to the restart, and the starting order of the remaining riders will be displayed on the official timing monitors.

At the end of each rider's Superpole run, the rider must present themselves in the TV interview area, and remain there until the end of the session. The machine must remain in parc ferme conditions in the pit box/pit apron.

Superpole (Wet):

15 minutes duration

Fifteen riders take part - At the end of the session the top 3 riders must present themselves and their machine at the TV interview area and all other machines must remain in parc ferme conditions in the pit box/pit apron.

Determination of Superpole Dry or Wet

No later than five minutes before the start of Superpole, the Race Director will determine whether the Dry or Wet procedure will be used. The Wet procedure will be invoked if the previous qualifying session (Qualifying) has been declared wet, the track is wet (including patches), or it is raining, however light. It may also be invoked if on the official Race Control weather service display (MeteoGroup) rain is predicted to fall within the time period that the Superpole procedure will occupy. If rain begins to fall immediately before Superpole, and all previous free and qualifying practices have been held in dry conditions, the Race Director may delay the start of the Superpole Wet session by 5 minutes.

If the Superpole is running to the Dry procedure and it is red flagged for rain, and/or unable to be restarted, the Superpole will be cancelled and the results of FP1/FP2/Qualifying will prevail.

Following the conclusion of Superpole a final classification and the Race 1 provisional starting grid will be published. This will be based upon the overall order of:

Superpole classification 1st – 15th: Race 1 grid positions 1st to 15th,
Qualifying classification 4th and above - Race 1 grid positions 16th and above.

If any qualified riders do not record a lap time in Qualifying they will start Race 1 from the back of the grid, in order of their combined times from FP1 and FP2.

In the case where all BSB Qualifying and Superpole has been cancelled, or less than two thirds of the Qualifying Session has been completed and the session is unable to be restarted, the grid positions will be based on the order of the combined times from FP1 and FP2.

In the event of BSB Superpole being cancelled, or running to the Wet procedure and is interrupted and not able to be restarted with under two thirds of its planned session duration, and at least two thirds of Qualifying Session Q1 duration has been completed, the final result will be taken from a combination of the overall FP1/FP2 result for the first twelve grid positions, with all other riders classified in the order of the Qualifying result.

In the event of a red flag in Qualifying or Superpole (Wet) at a point with less time remaining than the time taken for one out lap from pit exit to the finish line then the session will not be restarted.

In exceptional circumstances during an event the Race Direction, with endorsement from the MCRCB Stewards may further amend the qualifying procedure. In this case a Bulletin will be issued.

The first three riders in the final classification must attend the front row press conference as directed by MSVR.