

REGULATION CHANGES FOR CONSULTATION

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Proposed Regulation

Chapter 12 – Race

Appendix 6 - Competition Regulations

- 6.12. For all categories of **Vehicles** that allow slick tyres to be used the start will be preceded by a formation lap.
- a. Following the showing of the 30 second **Signal** the starter will release the Vehicles by displaying a green **Signal**.
 - b. The Vehicles will keep in grid formation for this lap and the pace will be set by **either** the pole position **Driver** **or** a **Lead Car**.
 - c. No Practice starts may be executed during the course of this lap.
 - d. **There should be no excessive weaving, by using more than 50% of the Track width and no practice starts, during the course of this lap.**
 - e. At the end of this lap the **Vehicles** will return to their grid positions and stop with their engines running
- 6.12.1 **Any Driver** who is unable to leave their grid position and start the formation lap for any reason, but who subsequently succeeds in doing so, may join the formation lap. Any **Competitor** unable to maintain their grid position on the formation lap to the extent that all other **Vehicles** (except for **Vehicles** in the same predicament) are ahead of them may complete the green flag lap but must stop at the rear of the last row of the grid unless otherwise specified in the **Championship** Regulations.

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Reason: This amendment clarifies the procedure applicable where a Driver is unable to start the formation lap but subsequently succeeds in rejoining. The revised wording expressly provides that the Driver may only join the formation lap after the last vehicle has departed the grid and that their original grid position is forfeited.

The change is intended to improve regulatory certainty by removing any ambiguity regarding a Driver's entitlement to regain their allocated grid position after failing to commence the formation lap as required. It also supports the safe and orderly conduct of the start procedure by ensuring that Drivers rejoining after a delay do not interfere with the departure of other Competitors or create uncertainty regarding the starting order.

The amendment codifies established operational practice and promotes consistent application by Competitors and Officials across all Events.