Flag Definitions



Marshals and other officials display flags, lights or boards to provide information and/or convey instructions to riders during practice and races. These are as follows:

Flags & Lights used to provide information:

NATIONAL FLAG or "START LIGHTS": Used at the Start of the Race



GREEN FLAG or GREEN LIGHT: Indicates the end of a Danger Area controlled by yellow flags. In these circumstances overtaking is PROHIBITED until the point where the Green Flag is displayed has been passed. It is also a signal shown to start a warm-up lap and is shown at all posts during the first lap of each practice session.

YELLOW & RED STRIPED FLAG: Shown motionless indicates oil, water or other substance (or object) is affecting adhesion on this section of the track.





BLUE FLAG: Shown waved, this flag indicates that a faster rider is about to overtake. (Do nothing to affect your line, the flag is simply to warn you)

Shown motionless at the Start/Finish Line, indicates to riders approaching that traffic is exiting the Pit Lane.

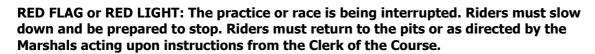
CHEQUERED (BLACK & WHITE) FLAG: Finish of race or practice session.





YELLOW FLAG WITH BLACK CROSS: You are about to start your last lap.

Flags which convey information & instructions







YELLOW FLAG or YELLOW LIGHTS: Danger on this section of the track. When motionless overtaking is forbidden. When shown as a DOUBLE WAVED FLAG there is a hazard wholly or partially blocking the track - the danger is more imminent and riders must slow down and be prepared to stop. Overtaking or failing to slow down is forbidden up to the point where a Green Flag is shown. Riders must take immediate action on seeing the yellow flag/lights.

There are automatic penalties for disregarding yellow or red flags. It may also be considered as an act of dangerous or reckless riding.

RAIN FLAG: WHITE FLAG WITH DIAGONAL RED CROSS:

Stationary; drops of rain in this section of the track, not affecting the track surface. Waved; more intense rain that is affecting the track surface.



BLACK FLAG: This flag is designed to convey instruction to a rider and is displayed at the startline together with the rider's number. The rider must stop at the pits at the end of the current lap.





BLACK WITH ORANGE CIRCLE FLAG: This flag is displayed with the rider's number. The rider must leave the track immediately.