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## DISPLAY FLAGS AND LIGHTS TO PROVIDE INFORMATION (MOTORCYCLE ROAD RACING)

Marshals and other officials display flags or lights to provide information and/or convey instructions to the riders:

### Flags and Lights Used to Provide Information:



#### • Green Flag

The track is clear.

This flag must be shown motionless at each flag marshal post for the first lap of each practice session and of the warm up, for the sighting lap and for the warm up lap.

This flag must be shown motionless at the flag marshal post immediately after the incident that necessitated the use of one or more yellow flags.

When the pit-lane exit is open, this flag must be waved at the pit-lane exit.



#### • Yellow and Red Striped Flag

The adhesion on this section of the track could be affected by any reason other than rain.

This flag must be shown motionless at the flag marshal post.



#### • White Flag with diagonal red cross

Drops of rain on this section of the track.

This flag must be shown motionless at the flag marshal post.



#### • White Flag with diagonal red cross + Yellow and Red Striped Flag

Rain on this section of the track.

These flags must be shown together motionless at the flag marshal post.



#### • Blue Flag

Shown waved at the flag marshal post, this flag indicates to a rider that he is about to be overtaken.

During the practice sessions, the rider concerned must keep his line and slow down gradually to allow the faster rider to pass him.

During the race, the rider concerned is about to be lapped. He must allow the following rider(s) to pass him at the earliest opportunity.

Any infringement of this rule will be penalised with one of the following penalties: fine – disqualification – withdrawal of Championship points.

At all times, this flag will be shown waved to a rider leaving the pit lane if traffic is approaching on the track.



#### • Chequered Black / White Flag

This flag will be waved at the finish line on track level to indicate the finish of race or practice session.



#### • Chequered Black / White Flag and Blue Flag

The chequered black/white flag will be waved together with the blue flag presented motionless at the finish line on track level when a rider(s) precedes closely the leader during the final lap before the finish line.



### • Green Light

This light must be switched on at the pit lane exit to signal the start of each practice session and of the warm up, the start of the sighting lap and the start of the warm up lap.

### • Flashing Blue Lights

Will be switched on at the pit lane exit at all time during practices and races.

### Flags Which Convey Information and Instructions:



#### • Yellow Flag

Shown waved at each row of the starting grid, this flag indicates that the start of the race is delayed.

Shown waved at the flag marshal post, this flag indicates that there is a danger ahead. The riders must slow down and be prepared to stop.

Overtaking is forbidden up until the point where the green flag is shown.

Any infringement of this rule during a practice session will result in the cancellation of the time of the lap during which the infringement occurred.

In case of infringement of this rule during the race, the rider must go back the number of positions decided by the Race Direction. The penalty will be first communicated to the team and then a board will be displayed for the rider on the finish line during a maximum of 5 laps. If the rider did not go back after the board has been presented 5 times, he will be penalised by a ride through.

In both cases, further penalties (such as fine – suspension) may also be imposed.

If immediately after having overtaken, the rider realises that he did an infraction, he must raise his hand and let pass the rider(s) that he has overtaken. In this case, no penalty will be imposed.

During the final inspection lap, this flag must be waved at the exact place where the flag marshal will be positioned during the practices, the warm ups and races.



#### • Red Flag and Red Lights

When the race or practice is being interrupted, the red flag will be waved at each flag marshal post and the red lights around the track will be switched on. Riders must return slowly to the pits.

When the pit-lane exit is closed, this flag will be shown motionless at the pit-lane exit and the light will be switched on. Riders are not allowed to exit the pit lane.

Any infringement of this rule will be penalised with one of the following penalties: fine – disqualification – withdrawal of Championship points – suspension.

The red flag will be shown motionless on the starting grid at the end of the sighting lap and at the end of the warm up lap.

The red flag may also be used to close the track.

The red lights will be switched on at the start line for between 2 and 5 seconds to start each race.



#### • Black Flag

This flag is used to convey instructions to one rider only and is displayed motionless at each flag marshal post together with the rider's number. The rider must stop at the pits at the end of the current lap and cannot restart.

This flag will be presented only after the rider's team has been notified.

Any infringement of this rule will be penalised with one of the following penalties: fine – withdrawal of Championship points – suspension.



#### • Black Flag with orange disk (Ø 40 cm)

This flag is used to convey instructions to one rider only and is displayed motionless at each flag marshal post together with the rider's number. This flag informs the rider that his motorcycle has mechanical problems likely to endanger himself or others, and that he must immediately leave the track.

Any infringement of this rule will be penalised with one of the following penalties: fine – withdrawal of Championship points – suspension.