

## 2021 Alabama 200 Race Procedures

- **Drivers/Crew chief/Spotter Meetings**
  - There will be a mandatory driver/crew chief/spotter meeting at 12:00 Saturday morning. Failure to attend will result in loss of practice time.
- **Event Notes**
  - All cars must go through tech before the end of the first practice. All issues must be fixed and marked off prior to 2:30 Saturday or get the slowest of two qualifying laps. It is recommended you pre-tech on Friday night.
  - Tire selection will be done in reverse order of entry starting at 10:30 Saturday morning.
  - You must be registered and have your transponder on car to practice. Transponder must be mounted on right frame rail 165" from leading edge of the nose.
  - Only tape allowed on the car will be on the grill screen and front brake ducts.
  - No cellphones in the car at any time.
- **Practice**
  - Practice will be on a first come first serve basis during division session. Transponders are required to be on car.
  - Number of cars on track at one time will be at the race directors discretion.
  - Please be courteous of other competitors. Use pit entrance and exit roads and stay low on the racetrack when coming up to speed. No excessive scuffing when other cars are at speed.
- **Qualifying**
  - Qualifying order will be in reverse order of driver entry. First to enter race last to qualify.
  - Pre-tech will open at 3:00 for the first group. All cars are required to be on time in their designated group.
  - Ignition boxes will be sealed in tech line. Please have previous seals removed and any residue cleaned off.
  - Tires will be put on in the tech line and should be set no higher than 20 on left and 30 on right.
  - You will be given one attempt to correct any issue you have not previously had. If you fail second attempt it will result in you getting the slowest of your two qualifying laps on third attempt and you can start no better than 11<sup>th</sup>
  - Once you clear tech car is to be taken directly to front pit road and lined up in qualifying order. Place nose of car on qualifying spot number. No adjustments can be made after entering tech line other than air pressure.
  - All cars will be given 2 consecutive timed laps plus a dead lap unless under penalty. Once you have taken the white flag you have an official time. In event of a tie order will be set by who qualified first.
  - If you are in line but unable to come out for your attempt or you wave off your attempt before taking the green for an acceptable reason you will be put on a 5 minute clock. If you do not make it out within the 5 minutes you will not be allowed to qualify.
  - Cars will be impounded after qualifying. No one will be allowed to pull out of line to make adjustments. Only work allowed in impound will be safety related issues if approved by an official.
  - Top 25 cars in qualifying will advance to the feature. Top 8 will redraw for starting position. Everyone else will run a last chance race transferring the top 4 to the feature. Positions 30-31 will come from 2020 Show me the Money Points. Position 32 is for any previous Alabama 200 champion. Any unused provisional will be filled by last chance finishing order. Management reserves the right to add cars as it deems fit. You must start last chance on your qualifying tires but will have option to buy new tires for race.
  - This is an 8 tire race. You must start the race on your qualifying tires. Six tires will be allowed in your pit stall. The 4 sticker spares and 2 scuffs to be used for flats only prior to lap 100 with an officials approval.
  - Minimum 15 gallon fuel purchase before green flag.
  - Top 8 will redraw to determine starting order of race.
  - Pit stalls will be assigned based on qualifying position. Be courteous MOM teams will use stalls for their race.
- **Drivers are responsible for crew members actions. Any physical or verbal abuse of an official by a team member or driver will result in penalties to the driver up to being disqualified from the event.**
- **MMS officials reserve the right to make final decisions in the interpretation of any rule or race procedures.**

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- **Start**
  - Initial start will be in the box on the front straight. Flagman will start the race. Front row should stay side by side until the green waves. Jumping the start will result in a black flag for a pass through penalty.
  - If a caution occurs before the completion of the first lap there will be a complete restart. All cars retain position unless they pit or receive assistance from the safety crew.
  - On a complete restart if a car drops out or goes to the rear that line will just advance forward.
- **Yellow Flags**
  - First three caution laps will count. You cannot lose a lap under caution.
  - Do not race back to yellow. Get single file behind pace car. No scuffing around workers on track. You will receive one warning thru your spotter, Any further issues and you will be parked for the remainder of the event.
  - If you are involved, spin, slowed or your progress is disrupted by the incident, you will be positioned where you rejoin or blend back into the field – NOTE: the incident must play itself out before the order is set. If you pit and don't rejoin the field in your proper position at tail of the line before one to go, you will restart at the back of Field
  - Any discrepancies in line up will be determined by Race Control or may revert to the last completed green lap.
  - Should a car not maintain caution speed for any reason, stops or enters the pits during a yellow, it will lose its running position. You must maintain your position under yellow and stay nose to tail.
  - If a driver deliberately picks up positions after the yellow flag is displayed, they may be penalized.
  - Pace car will pick up field in turn 2. Pits are closed until lineup is established.
  - We will use controlled cautions for this event. Please see controlled caution procedures below.
  - Pace car and pit road speed is 35mph. Pit road speed will be checked and enforced.
  - You can only take tires under controlled cautions unless for an approved flat.
  - If we run 75 consecutive green laps a caution will be displayed. There will be no mandatory caution after lap 190
- **Red Flags**
  - Stop as quickly and safely as possible. Pits are closed
  - No working on car on track and no crew members allowed on track.
  - When track is clear field will move under yellow and lineup will be corrected
  - Penalty for pitting under red is restart at tail of the line. Must have approval before coming to pit road,
- **Restarts**
  - All lap cars must drop behind lead lap cars at one to go.
  - A "lucky dog" will be awarded to the highest car on track laps down at time of the caution. Must restart on tail
  - No "lucky dog" will be given in the last 10 laps or if the eligible car was involved in the caution.
  - At one to go the leader can choose inside or outside everyone else double up inside/outside. In the event restarts become an issue officials reserve the right to implement single file restarts with lap cars at rear.
  - The leader is the control car and restarts the race inside the box. If you jump the start or play games you will be black flagged and must serve a pass thru penalty at pit road speed.
  - Once pace car leaves field front row should gradually increase speed without slowing back down until leader reaches the box. No swerving, brake checking, laying back, or games of any kind will be tolerated.
  - Stay in line. Do not advance your position before the start finish line. No three wide into turn one on a restart.
- **Finish**
  - Once the white flag is displayed we are coming to a checkered unless the track is blocked.
  - If track is blocked we will go red and revert to last lap. We will finish with a green/white/checkered.
- **Penalties**
  - If you stop to intentionally draw a caution it will be a two lap penalty.
  - Taking race tires other than during controlled cautions unless approved is a 2 lap penalty.
  - Three unassisted spins or multiple avoidable incidents and you will be parked for the remainder of the event.
- **Spotters**
  - Spotters are required in designated area during race. Spotter must check in with official for car to be able to compete. Should have car number clearly visible. If spotter leaves for any reason the car will be black flagged.
  - Spotters should have the ability to monitor race control at **461.2000** anytime the car is on the track.
- **Controlled Cautions**
  - This event will use Controlled Cautions up to lap 190 unless declared a quickie yellow. A quickie yellow may be used if we have not completed 25 laps since the last controlled caution for an issue that can be cleared quickly. Controlled Cautions will consist of a 3-Lap grace period to pit for service without losing positions to cars that pit at the same time. Once lineup is established race control will announce pit road open next time and pit open flagman will show green. You can enter pit road when you get to entrance. Do not advance. That 3-lap grace period is only the first three laps that pit road is open after the cars have been brought to pit road. After the grace period, cars will lose positions. When pitting under a Controlled Caution, the cars that pit the first time by will return to the track in the same order they were scored running in the race prior to coming to pit road, relative to the other cars that pitted, and will line up behind the cars that did not pit, as long as they return to the track within the stated 3 lap window. Any car that pits and does not return to the track prior to the field receiving the "one to go" signal must restart at the tail of all cars.