



Face Mask Requirements at Motorsport UK Events



Why mandate the wearing of face masks?

- In response to feedback from the community regarding inconsistent adherence to social distancing and the wearing of face coverings when needed.
- Following the reduction of social groupings to a maximum of 6, there is heightened focus on all activities where this may be an issue and sport is most vulnerable.
- Sport is largely a discretionary activity as far as the Government is concerned.
- Our COVID-19 Officers have a difficult task in the management of people at venues, with some disciplines more challenging than others. This has led to a need for a universal application of the rules.
- To ensure motorsport can maintain the support of Government in allowing us to continue to run events and enjoy the freedom to compete.

**What type of mask is acceptable
and when must they be worn?**

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Type of Face Mask/Covering



- It is **highly recommended** that **fluid resistant type IIR masks** are used in preference to face coverings.
- Face coverings **are acceptable** however they must be **clean** and **correctly fitted**.
- A **visor** is **not** an acceptable replacement for a face mask/covering.
- Face masks/coverings are for **individual** and **personal** use and should **not be shared** with others.



Temporary Removal/Exceptions

Face masks must be worn by everyone at all times with the exception of the following:

- Events taking place on the **Channel Islands** or **Isle of Man**.
- **Whilst eating or drinking** participants may **temporarily** remove their mask.
- If an individual is **stationed in their vehicle alone**, or with a member of their household i.e., husband and wife acting as radio control, the organiser must be satisfied they reside together.
- Whilst in an environment where there are **no third parties** face masks are recommended but not mandatory. (refer to table on page 6)
- A competitor wearing a balaclava that covers the nose and mouth when outside their competition vehicle.
- Single occupancy of a competition vehicle by the competitor.



USE A MASK TO HELP PROTECT OTHERS

- Wear a mask to help protect others in case you're infected but don't have symptoms
- Keep the mask on your face the entire time you're in public
- Don't put the mask around your neck or up on your forehead
- Don't touch the mask, and, if you do, clean your hands

Guidance for wearing face masks and coverings

High density – compulsory

Lower density – compulsory unless socially distanced (+2m)

This guidance is for any person involved in any event in the defined areas and is to be read in conjunction with existing guidance.

Age: This guidance applies to anyone aged 6 years or over.

* **Enclosed areas** (including vehicles) unless occupants are from the same household. The organiser must be satisfied that they reside together.

** **Trackside** includes any person within the restricted area that includes the track.

Fixed venue (Kart)	Fixed venue (Race/Speed)	Non-fixed venue (Rally/Club Sport)
Paddock	Assembly areas	Event control
Assembly areas	Grid	Enclosed areas*
Grid	Pits & pit wall	Incident intervention
Parc fermé	Pit garages / awnings	Assembly/service areas
Awnings	Enclosed areas*	Time controls
Enclosed areas*	Incident intervention	Section and test starts
Incident intervention	Paddock / parc fermé	Marshal posts
Marshal posts	Marshal posts	
Trackside**	Trackside**	

How to correctly wear a face mask

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- **Face coverings** should be washed in line with the manufacturer's recommendations.
- **Face masks** are **not** generally **for reuse** as they will not be as effective at preventing the spread of the virus.
- **Reusable** face masks are available and **must be used** in accordance with the **manufacturer's instructions**.
- It is imperative that any face mask or face covering **is used in accordance** with the **guidance to protect others** and **stop the spread of the virus**.
- Please **take** your **used masks** home with you for **disposal**.

How to use a face mask properly



Make sure the mask covers your mouth and nose



Ensure it fits snugly on your face - no gaps



Wash your mask after each use



Wash your hands before and after touching your mask



DON'T have it sitting under your chin or pull it around while wearing



DON'T keep touching your mask once it's fitted

Do's and Don'ts




Do's →



Clean your hands before touching the mask



Inspect the mask for damage or if dirty



Adjust the mask to your face without leaving gaps on the sides



Cover your mouth, nose, and chin



Avoid touching the mask



Clean your hands before removing the mask



Remove the mask by the straps behind the ears or head



Pull the mask away from your face



Store the mask in a clean plastic, resealable bag if it is not dirty or wet and you plan to re-use it



Remove the mask by the straps when taking it out of the bag



Wash the mask in soap or detergent, preferably with hot water, at least once a day





Clean your hands after removing the mask


Do's and Don'ts





Don'ts →


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Do not wear the mask under the nose
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Do not remove the mask where there are people within 1 metre
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Do not use a mask that is difficult to breathe through
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Do not wear a dirty or wet mask
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Do not share your mask with others
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Do not use a mask that looks damaged
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Do not wear a loose mask



- **Hand washing** and/or **sanitising** remains **critical**.
- Everyone should have their own **personal** bottle of **hand gel**.
- **Before putting on** or **taking off** a **mask**, hands should be washed/sanitised.

CORONAVIRUS HANDWASHING REMAINS CRITICAL

- ✔ Keep a safe distance from others (2 metres where possible)
- ✔ Limit contact with other people

For more ways to stay safe go to [gov.uk/coronavirus](https://www.gov.uk/coronavirus)

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Non-Compliance

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Actions and Penalties

It is imperative that everyone adheres to the COVID-19 Event Resumption Guidance and the requirement to wear face masks/coverings for the protection of others and for the continuation of motorsport.

In escalating order of **severity** the following actions will apply for **non-compliance**:

- 1) Verbal Warning.
- 2) Following a second incidence of **non-compliance** by that same individual, the COVID-19 Officer will refer to the Clerk of the Course and Motorsport UK Steward.

A Formal warning will be issued.

- 3) Any **further non-compliance** by that same individual will result in **removal from the venue**.



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If the individual **not complying** is a team member and **not a licence holder**:

The Competitor continues to be responsible but will not incur points on their licence unless their team member is abusive.

If an individual has been **abusive** when spoken to by the Event Official:

This **must be reported** to the Clerk of the Course and Motorsport UK Steward by the COVID-19 Officer and is considered a breach of C.1.1.9.

The **COVID-19 Officer, in conjunction with the Venue COVID-19 Officer**, must ensure that the individual leaves the venue, or at least the participation bubble, if instructed to do so.