

# MICHELIN LE MANS CUP COMMITTEE



**TO:** ✓ Teams ✓ Manufacturers

**CATEGORY:** ⊠ LMP3 ⊠ GT3

DECISION N°: MLMC21\_D0006\_All\_Cars\_on\_their\_wheels

DATE: 31/03/2021 FROM: The Michelin Le Mans Cup Committee

SUBJECT: Countdown for cars to be on their wheels

### **APPLICABLE REGULATION**

**Article 11.2.3, 14.4.2** ⊠ 2021 Michelin Le Mans Cup Sporting Regulations

#### **DECISION**

#### 11.2.3 Countdown

The approach of the start will be announced by boards reading "5 minutes", "3 minutes", "1 minute" and "30 seconds", accompanied by an audible warning.

These boards mean:

- "5 minutes" board: start of the countdown: drivers on board, no further work allowed on the cars except for tyres changes. Tyre change is forbidden, cars must be resting on their wheels.
- "3 minutes" board: tyre change is forbidden, cars must be resting on their wheels and everyone Except the driver, team members and officials must leave the grid. However, a member of the team may remain in place.
- "1 minute" board: the doors of cars must be closed, and the team personnel must leave the grid. The engines are started by the driver without external assistance.
- "30 seconds" board: only 30 seconds remaining before the formation lap.
- Showing of the green flag: start of the formation lap behind the Leading Car: the cars must maintain their grid positions.
- The details will be specified at each Competition.

#### 14.4.2 Procedure concerning cars present on the grid

As from the "10 minutes" board, a maximum of 4 team personnel per car, wearing the appropriate armbands, will be allowed to access the grid to carry out exclusively the following tasks:

- Assisting the driver,
- Helping to start the car with an external battery,
- Checking the tyres (air may not be added) and brakes,
- Changing the tires if allowed by the Race Director (before the "5 minutes" board),
- Removing the cover from the car (before the "5 minutes" board),
- Demisting the windscreen.

At the "3 5 minutes" board, cars must be resting on their wheels.

At the "1 minute" board, engines must be started and the team, tyre and brake technicians must withdraw from the grid. If a driver needs assistance after the "30 seconds" board is shown, this shall be signaled by the marshals with yellow flags.





## PERIOD OF VALIDITY/APPLICATION OF THE DECISION

This decision comes into effect:  ⊠ with immediate application
☐ from:
And is applicable:  ⊠ until further notice  □ for the mentioned Competition(s) only