

2026 Formula Regional Japanese Championship Round1 Race1/2/3 Briefing Notes

For further details, please refer to the Unified Regulations, Special Regulations, Appendix H, etc.

1. General Notes

a	Course Conditions	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Overlay the West Course •Curbstone renovation (T12.3) •Debris Defense Update (T13.0)
b	Compliance with the Fire Service Act	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Smoking is prohibited at every pit. •The use of oil fan heaters, jet heaters and similar fire equipment is prohibited. •It is the responsibility of each team supervisor to comply with the Fire Department Laws.
c	Timing for entering the Fast Pit Lane	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cars may enter the fast pit lane at the same time as the start time of each session. (The same shall apply when resuming the session after an interruption.) •In the case of qualifying, it is possible only after the board of the relevant class is presented (see the rules of the series). Board "1" for non-Master Class drivers and board "M" for all drivers including Master Class. •Priority is given to fast-pit lane vehicles. Entry into the fast pit lane is the responsibility of the team.
d	White Line Operations for the pit IN and pit OUT	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cars must run inside the White Line when pit in and out.
e	Exit of vehicles on the track	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Cars must evacuate and stop outside the track as much as possible.
f	Pit Lane Overtaking	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •When a car is unavoidably slow in the pitlane, this driver must move to the work area side to make room for the fast lane to flow. •Overtaking in the pitlane shall be conducted safely and within the pitlane's established speed limit.
g	Light Panels	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Light Panels are installed at all posts. •The Light Panels are used as a supplement to the Flag Signals. Remember that the Flag Signals hold the priority.

2. Qualifying Session

a	Qualifying Method Adopted	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Official qualifying session : 15min ×2 (10min intervals: Refilling during the interval cannot be approved.) •The best lap in the first official qualifying result will be the grid for the first race, the best lap in the second official qualifying result will be the grid for the second race, and the second best lap in the first official qualifying result will be the grid for the third race.
b	Qualifying Session times after an interruption	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The extension or time reduction of the Qualifying session time will be determined by the Event's Stewards of the Meeting Committee.
c	Yellow Flag during Qualifying	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Note that, the lap time of the car that runs during the Yellow Flag section will not be valid.
d	Running Off Track Limits	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •If a car is judged to have run off the track limits during the Qualifying Session, the lap time concerned will not be valid.
e	Re-Inspections location for after the session	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Re-inspections after the Quali will be conducted at the inspection area.

3. Race

a	Number of Laps/ Time of the race	12 Laps or 30mins for Race1/Race2/Race3 in common
b	Starting Procedures	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •Announced in the Official Notice ※For this Race, 2 formation laps will be conducted. ■ Deduction of Laps Due to an Additional Formation Lap (FL) ①If the start procedure is suspended during FL1, one re-formation lap will be conducted with no lap deduction. ②If suspended during FL2, one re-formation lap will be conducted and the race distance will be reduced by one lap. Each subsequent suspension will result in a further reduction of one lap.
c	At the start of the Formation Lap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •The vehicle speed limiter must be activated until the car crosses the Start Line, and 60 km/h must be observed.
d	Formation Lap	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •If a car is unable to start due to engine stall, etc., it will be allowed to restart by an external starter, however, note that overtaking in order to return to the original position will not be permitted. •During the formation lap, the cars must drive in formation without leaving excessive gaps between themselves and the car in front of them.
e	Start Signals	•5 Units System
f	Standby area for SC immediately after Race start	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •When the Race starts, the SC will standing near T16. (SC car: Honda CIVIC Yellow)
g	Approximate location for the SC Yellow Light OFF	•T13-T14 exit of the Spoon curve (near the 13st to 14nd post)
h	Precautions during SC	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> •During an SC deployment, each racing driver must maintain control of the car and drive in such a manner as not to deviate from the race track, unless the driver has a problem with the car and must stop. •After the SC returns to the pits, the end of the non-competitive period of the race shall be the Control Line.
i	Procedures after the Checkered Flag	•Do not decelerate abruptly. Do not slow down abruptly.
j	Parc Ferme	•Vehicles subject to re-inspection will be stored at the inspection area, and all other vehicles will be stored on the home straight.
k	Podium Ceremony Location	•The Award Ceremony will be held at the Podium situated on the 2nd floor of the Pit Building.

4. Attached document

a	Vehicle Structure Chart
b	Starting Procedure Chart