eSport: Virtual FSAA World First wheel-to-wheel FS Battle

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Virtual FSAA: Idea

Organise world first Virtual Formula
 Student Event

 Best European FS Teams challenge each other wheel-to-wheel on a Karting track on Assetto Corsa







Virtual FSAA: The Event

• The event will be run online

• Car: MAD Formula Student

Track: To be defined

Partecipants

Current and Past FSAA Participants, Alumni Teams, Organizers,
 Sponsors

- 4 Disciplines
 - AutoX (80 Points)
 - Endurance 1 (175 Points)
 - Hot Lap (240 Points) Memory of FSAA19
 - Endurance 2 (500 Points)

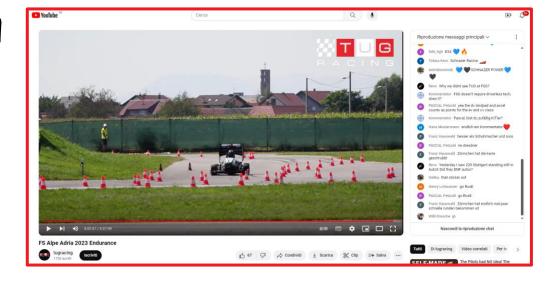


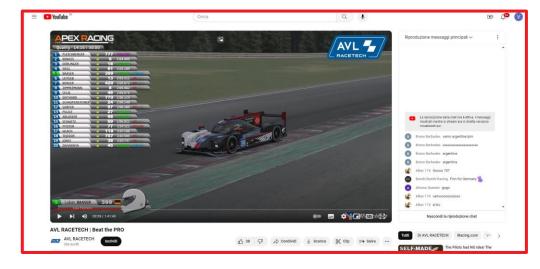




Virtual FSAA: Live Stream

- Live Stream on YouTube
 - TUG or FSAA Webpage
- Discord Channel with Team Captain
- Drivers Interview
- Comments by Vincenzo Bevilacqua (FSAA Ambassador) and Marco Schnee (Rennteam Stuttgart driver, great eSport Driver)
- Logo of the sponsors







Virtual FSAA: Motivation

- eSports increasing importance and popularity among Students and Professionals (Max Verstappen)
- World First: Unique Selling Points
- Racing on Karting Track Wheel-to-wheel: real spirit of FSAA
- Connection to Teams and Sponsors
- Boost of Social Media challenge
- Zero Costs





Preliminary Handbook



Main Points

Car: MAD Formula Student

• Track: t.b.d

• Testing Event: Monday 08.04 (20:00-22:00)

• Virtual FSAA 2024 Event: Thursday 11.04

• Event 19:00-23:00

• Live Stream 20:00-22:30



Event Schedule

19:00 Mandatory Driver's Briefing

• Both Driver and Team Captail has to attend

Main Discord Channel

20:00 Auto X - Qualifying Session 1

• One Driver (Driver 1) per Team to be communicated before the Event

Fixed Setup

• In Game Time: 9:00-9:20

• 20:20 Break

20:30 Endurance 1

Driver 1 has to race

Fixed Setup

• Starting Grid based on Autocross

• In Game Time: 12:30-13:00

• 20:50 Break

Duration 30 min

Duration 20 min

Duration 10 min

Duration 20 min

Duration 10 min



Event Schedule

21:00 Hot Lap - Qualifying Session 2

- One Driver per Team (different from Quali/Endurance 1 Driver 2)
- 2 Clocked Laps per Driver
- Reverse order of time results of Quali Section
- To be defined how many teams to participate (probably best 10)
- Open Setup
- In Game Time: 17:00-17:20
- 21:20 Break
- 21:30 Endurance 2
 - Driver 2 has to race
 - Starting Grid based on Hot Lap
 - In Game Time: 19:00-19:30
- 22:00 Break
- 22:20 Award Ceremony
 - Mandatory Driver interview
 - Overall Winning Team will be awarded at FSAA24

Duration 20 min

Duration 10 min

Duration 30 min

Duration 20 min

Duration 10 min



Points

	Autocross	Endurance 1	Hot Lap	Endurance 2	Special Award
1 st	80	175	240	500	5
2 nd	70	126	210	360	
3 rd	60	105	180	300	
4 th	50	84	150	240	
5 th	40	70	120	200	
6 th	30	56	90	160	
7 th	20	42	60	120	
8 th	10	28	30	80	
9 th		14		40	
10th		7		20	

- AutoX and Hot Lap
 points based on
 FIA F1 Point
 system Distribution
 for Sprint Race
- Endurance 1 and
 Endirance 2 points
 based on FIA F1
 Point system for
 Race



Organization Rules

- Allowed to Participate
 - Current and Past FSAA Participants, Alumni Teams, Organizers, Sponsors, Guests
 - Available Spot 22 Team
 - Registration time: 18.03.2024 12:00 until 31.03.2024
 - Wild Card Registration time: 18.03.2024 10:00-12:00
 - In case more Registrations than available spots, Team will be selected by organization committee taking into account registration time
- Teams to be registered until 31.03.2024 in a Form provided by the organization containing following information
 - Name of Team
 - Name and Discord Account of Team Captain
 - Name and Discord Account of Driver 1
 - Name and Discord Account of Driver 2
- (tbc) Team is free to use a livery provided by MUD or prepare his own file. In case team decided to prepare his livery, the file has to be provided to the organization until 07.04.2023



Organization Rules

- 3 Discord Channel will be prepared
 - Racing Channel: Driver to participate and Racing Director
 - Organization Channel: Race Director and Steward
 - Public channel: Team leaders, Commentator, Guest and Inteview to be streamed on YouTube
- Roles:
 - Race Director / Technique Responsible: Christian Ablasser
 - Stewards: to be announces
 - Commentators: Vincenzo Bevilacqua, Marco Schnee



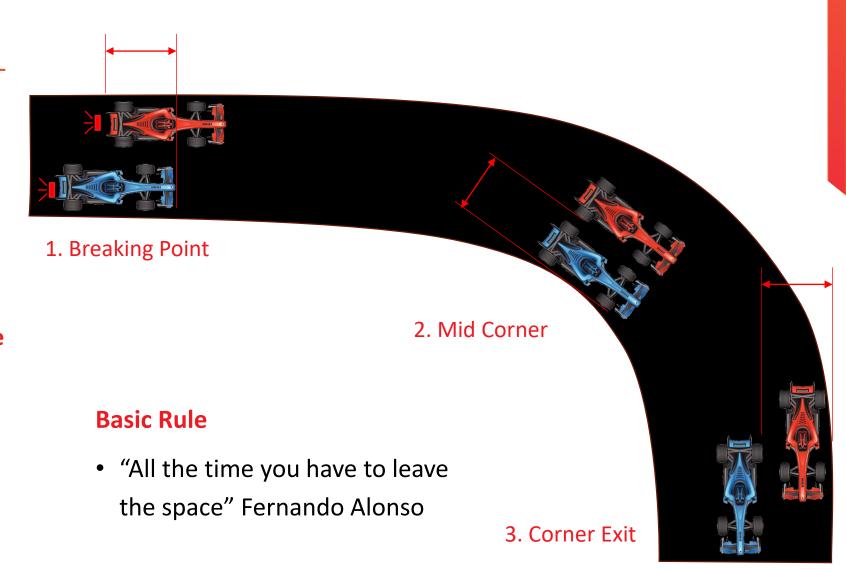
Sporting Rules

- Event is based on the values of friendship, sportsmanship and gentlmenship
- Racing behavior rules based on real racing standard will be applied and enforced at any time of the event
- Drivers has to acts at any time to avoid accidents and obstacolate other drivers
- Communication of Race Direction is to be followed immediately
- Race Direction has the right to disqualify at any time each competitor with without notification and with immediate effect



Correct Overtaking Maneuver

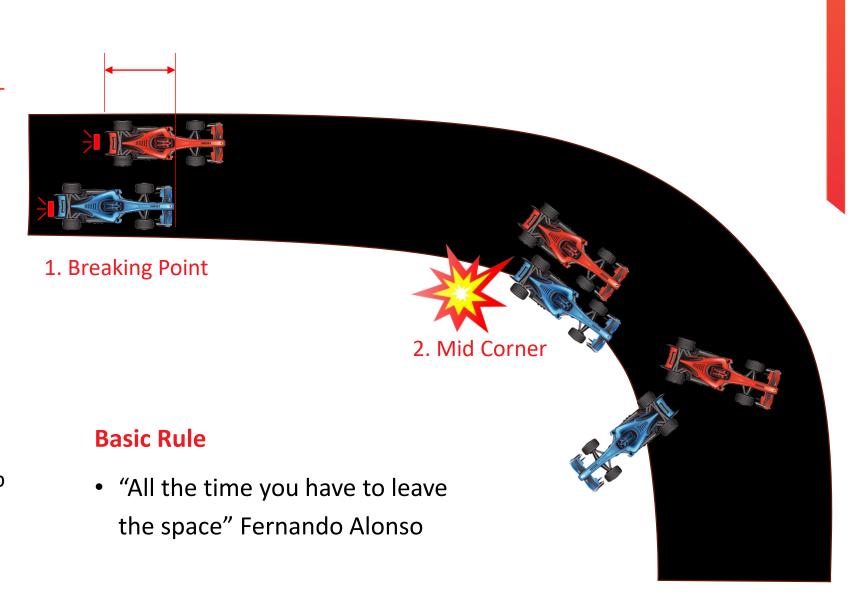
- At Breaking Point, Blue Car has significant overlap (more than half of the car) with Red Car
- At Mid Corner, Red Car left enough space (more than one car width from apex) to the Blue Car
- At Turn Exit, Böie Car left enough space (more than one car width to outer limit) to the Red Car





Incorrect Red Car Behavior

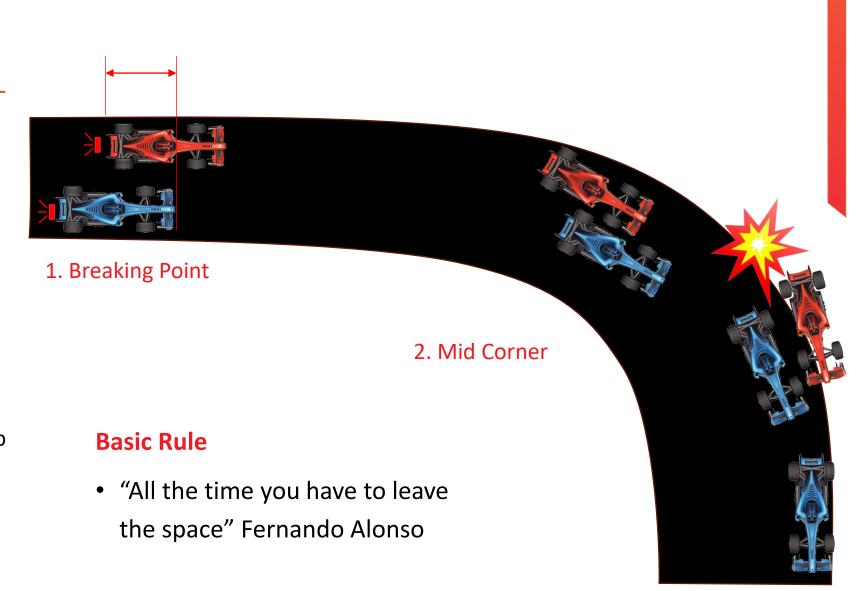
- Red Car has to leave Space
- "I did not see him"
 - Driver has to keep Situation awareness at any time
 - If faster car is approaching, overtake attempt has to expected
- "I was on the usual racing line"
 - Drivers are not allowed to keep Racing line if other driver is approaching





Incorrect Blue Car Behavior

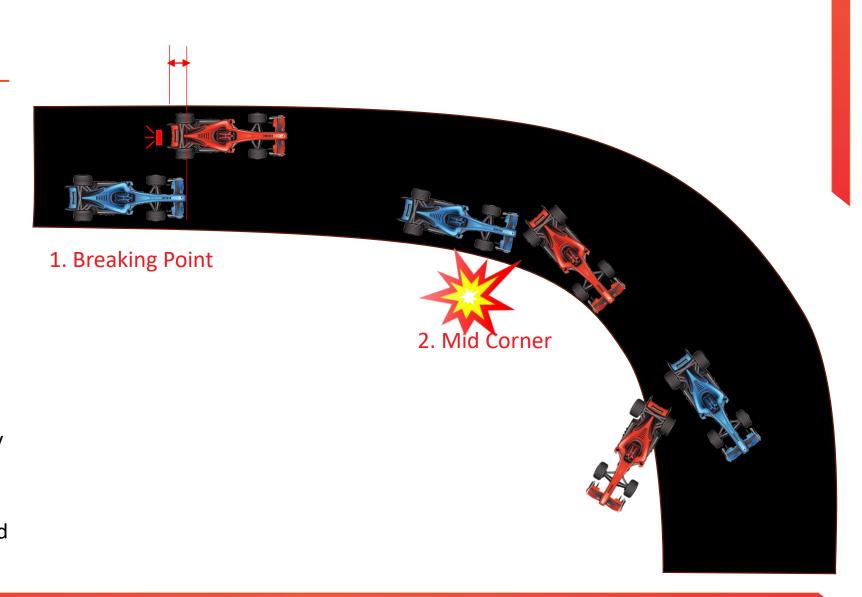
- Blue Car has to leave Space in the exit
- "I was in the front"
 - Driver has to allow competitor to negotiate the corner
- "I was on the usual racing line"
 - Drivers are not allowed to keep Racing line if other driver is approaching





Incorrect Blue Car Behavior ("Bomb Dive")

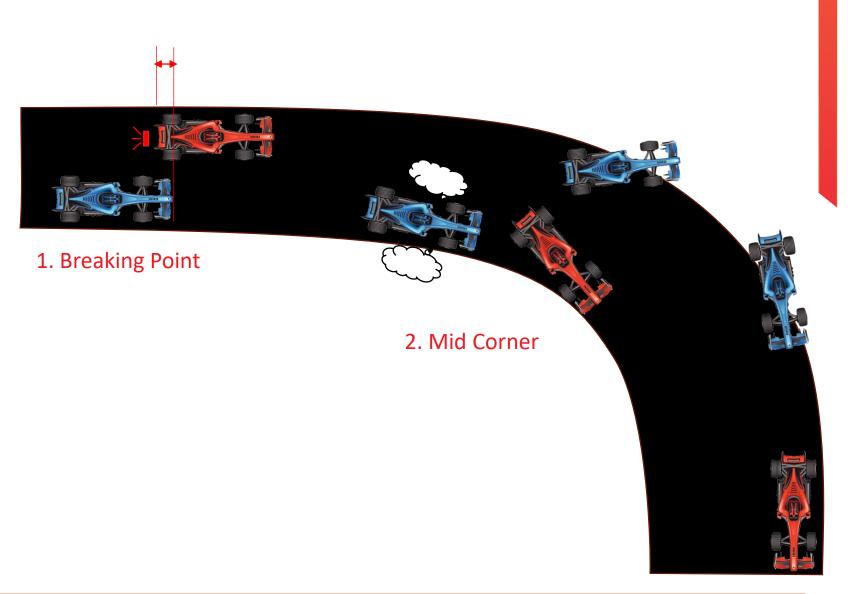
- At Breaking Point, Blue Car has no or small overlap
- Blue Car approaches the curves at too high speed and hit Red Car
- "He has to leave me enough space"
 - Drivers do not line right if they are far away at breaking point
 - Drivers has to approach the corner at an appropriate speed





Correct Blue Car Behavior (Avoided "Bomb Dive")

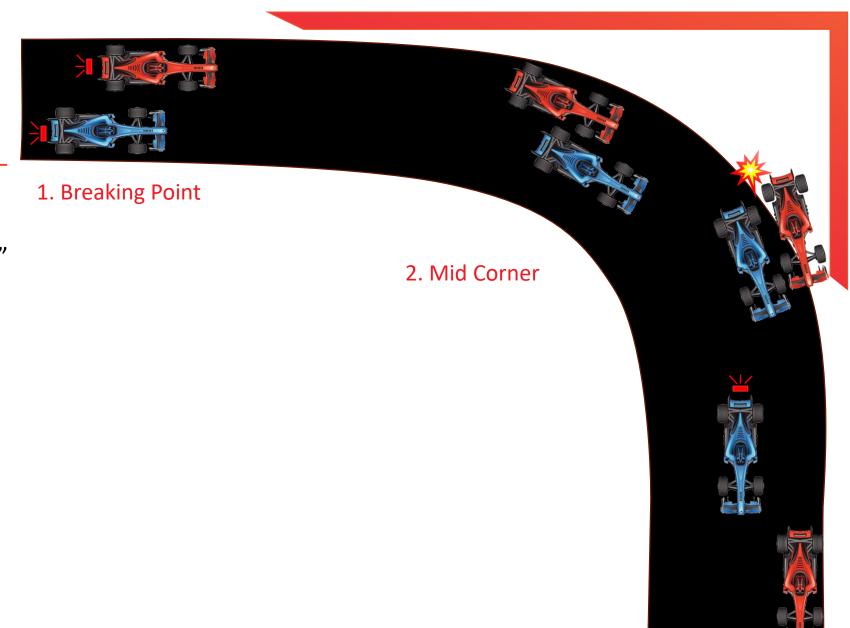
- "I had blocked tyres! I was just passenger"
 - If a driver misjudges breaking a breaking point, has to perform all possible actions to avoid accident, including releasing the break, retake control of the car and drive outside, out of the track if necessary!





Correct Blue Car Behavior

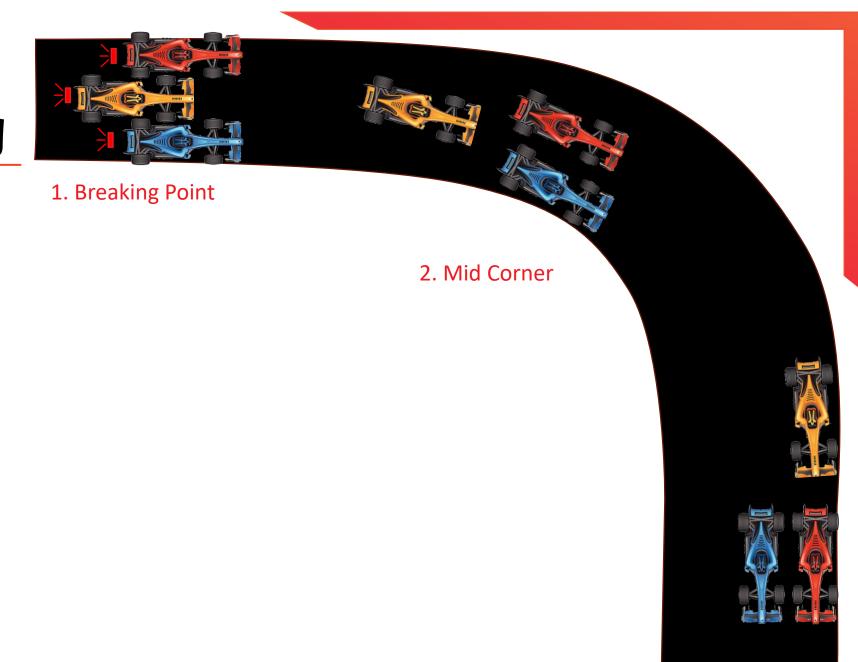
- Blue Car driver "inadvertently" did not leave enough space at mid the exit, and get an unfair advantage from the situation
- Blue Car driver immediately make actions to repristinate situation before the corner
- If necessary, Blue Car waits until Red Car rejoins the track and retake enough speed





Correct Yellow Car Behavior ("Three wide")

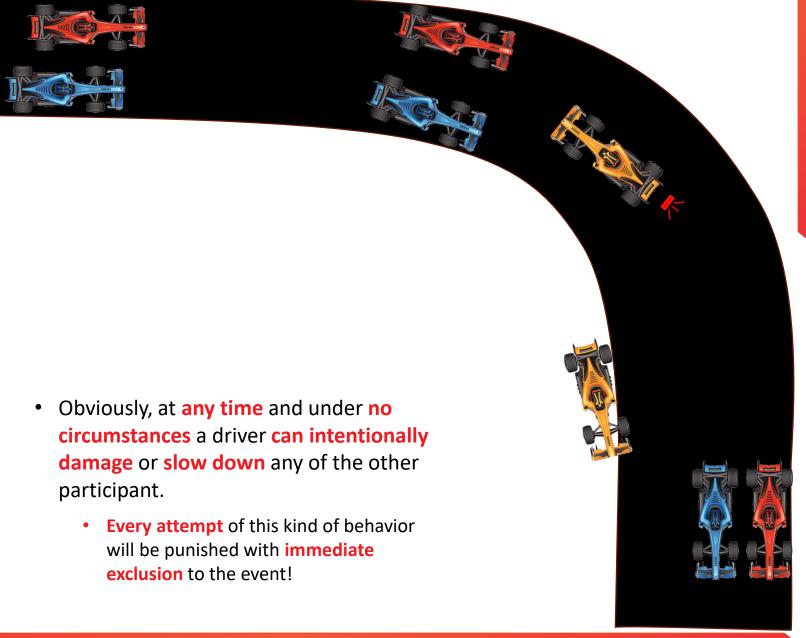
- If a drivers realizes that he is approaching a corner "three wide" has to pay particularly attention because risk of accident is extremely high
- The wiser behavior of the car which is at the last position at breaking point to backup
- In any case each driver has to allows all other driver to negotiate the corner





Correct Behavior after an Accident

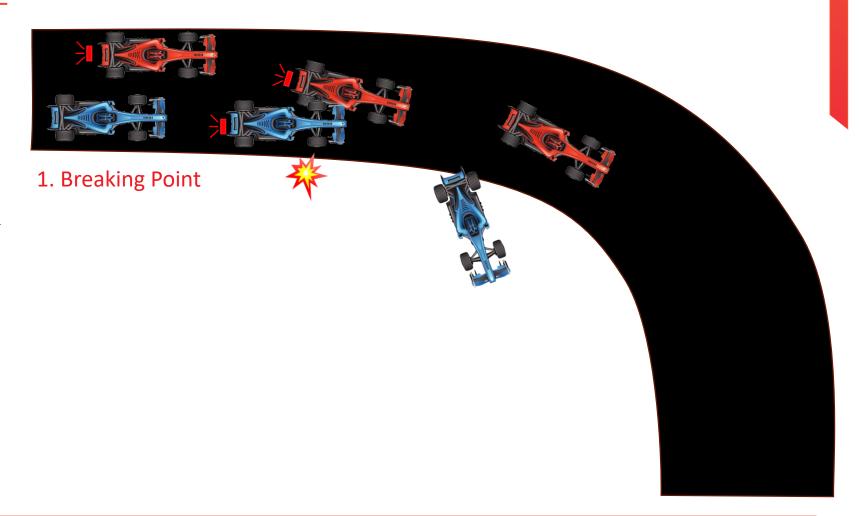
- After an accident, the Driver has to make all necessary actions to minimize the risk to further accidents to other participants
- If a driver is stuck on the track, he has to remain stationary until all car passed!
- If he has to rejoin the track, the manover must be executed with the minimum risk for all partecipants:
 - Look at incoming traffic before to rejoi the track!
 - Rejoin parallel or with a minimum angle to track direction!





Incorrect Red Car Behavior ("Moving during braking")

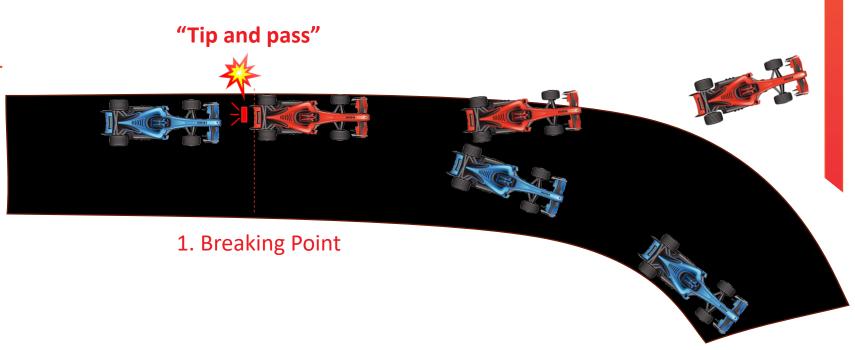
- If Red Car is in the front in the straight, it has the right to choose which side of the track it will use to negotiate the corner
- Once the Breaking Manoever is initiated, Red Car can not change the chosen (inner or outer) line any longer





Behavior during Breaking

- Breaking is the most dangerous moment regarding possible contact because car speed change quickly and car control is limited.
 - All drivers have to pay particular attention to avoid accidents
- Incorrect Blue Car Behavior: "Tip and pass" is the typical Rental Kart overtaking maneuver, when the Blue car touches the Red Car during breaking, letting it spin or loose the line
- This behavior is <u>forbidden</u> and will not be tolerated.
- If Blue car "inadvertently" touches Red Car during break, it has to immediately gave position and unfairly taken advantage



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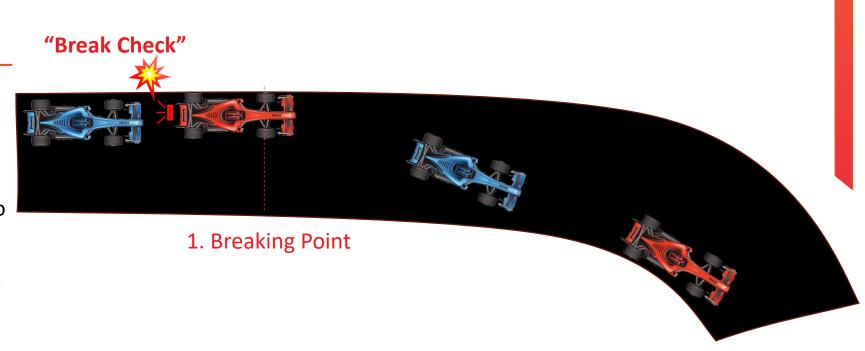


Behavior during Breaking

 It is also forbidden to break too early ("Break Check") or in an unexpected portion of the circuit to gain unfair advantage

Behavior with unexperienced Drivers

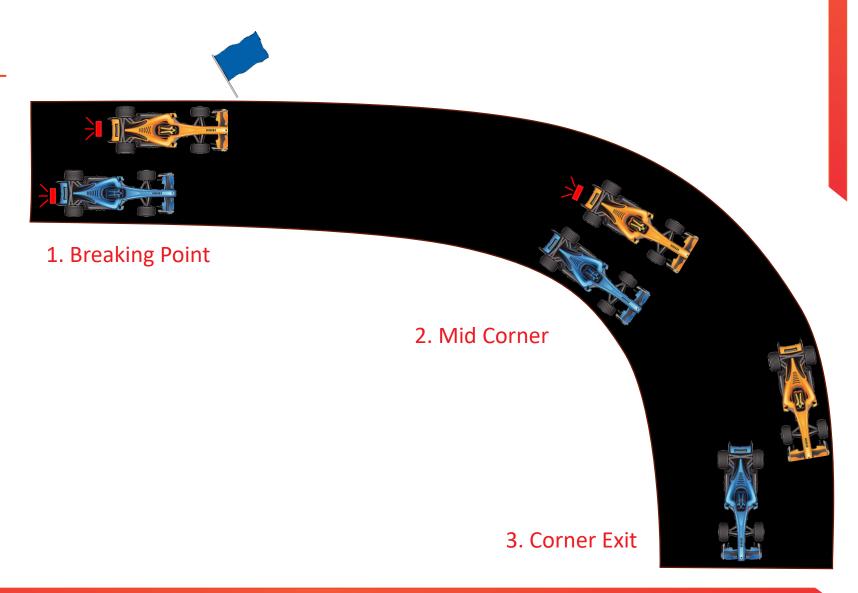
- If a driver is approaching a significant slower driver, he has to expect, that the breaking point of the slower car are different
- In this case particular attention has to be paid and, if necessary, coast before the breaking and/or break in a different line to avoid incidents





Blue Flag

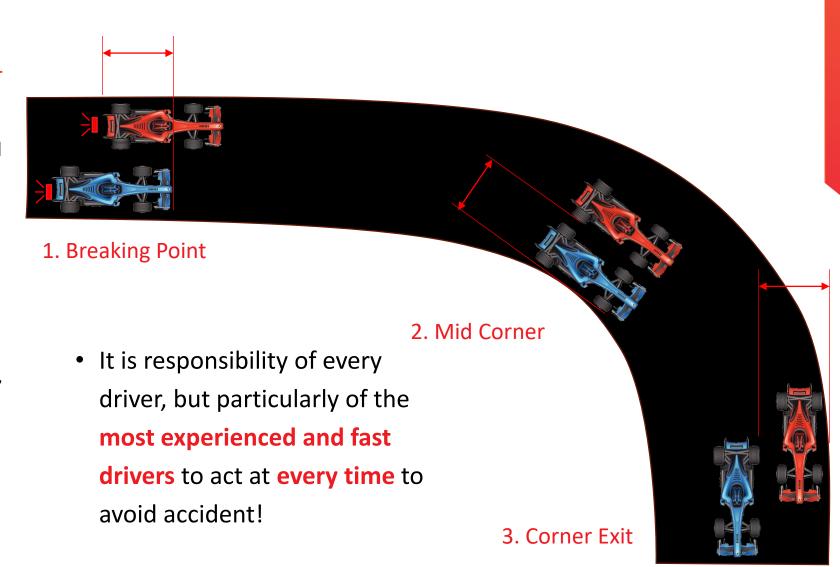
- A blue flag will be shown to a driver is close to be lapped
- Driver has to immediately facilitate lapping maneuver
 - Slowly approach the corner
 - Leave Racing Line
 - Look at the mirror to understand if 2 or more car are arriving
 - Keep situational awareness





Situational Awareness

- If a faster driver is approaching, he will try to overtake on the next corners: look mirrors!
- If you are approaching a very inexperienced driver who is fighting to keep the car on the track: let him enough space! Be prepared to his mistake!
- If you are approaching a slower driver,
 - Wait until the distance is small enough!
 - Plan accurately the overtake in the most appropriate corner to avoid accident!





Protest

- Team Captain is allowed to Protest against Race Direction decision and / or Behavior of other teams
- Protest has to be submitted within a reasonable time
- Team Captain has the right to clearly explain his point in a brief statement
- Protest will be analyzed by Race Direction who has the faculty to review footage or further evidence
- Race Direction decision regarding Protest are indisputable
- If Race Direction decides against a Team Protest, team will be penalized by 150 Points (in case of legitimate protest) and 300 Points (in case of a unsportsmanship protest)
- Due to the **friendly** and **sporty** spirit of the event, it is requested to limit the protest to **serious cases**



Penalties

- At an appropriate time, during or after the race the Race Direction has the faculty to apply one of the following penalty
- During Autocross and Hot Lap
 - Light breach of the Rules: Official Reprimand
 - Breach of the Rules: Cancelled Lap
 - Serious Breach of the Rules: All Laps Cancelled
 - Major Breach of the Rules: Exclusion from the Event

- During Autocross and Hot Lap
 - Light breach of the Rules: Official Reprimand
 - Breach of the Rules: 5s Penalty on the Total time
 - Serious Breach of the Rules: 10s Penalty on the Total time
 - Major Breach of the Rules: Exclusion from the Event
- Repeated incorrect behavior will automatically considered a more serious breach of the Rules



Thank you for your attention!

