

DEFINITIONS

Definitions used in the present Rules and Regulations:

Sports enclosure or enclosure of the circuit:

All the enclosed spaces, including the circuits of the Bugatti, the 24 Hours, Maison-Blanche, the CIK, which are controlled by the organiser and allow visibility of the track.

Outside spaces:

All the spaces situated outside the sports enclosure, which are made available to the public by the organiser.

A.C.O.:

Automobile Club de l'Ouest, organiser and creator of the « 24 HEURES DU MANS » and operator of the site of the 24 Hours' Circuit.

Organiser:

Any natural or legal person in charge of the organisation of a sporting or non-sporting event inside the sports enclosure of the LE MANS circuits. These are the A.C.O, the A.S.A.A.C.O « 24 HEURES du MANS », the A.S.M of the « 24 HEURES » A.C.O and the S.S.P or any other entity authorised by them, but also any ACO client who rents the sports enclosure for any reason whatsoever.

Manager:

Any natural or legal person in charge of the operation of the infrastructures situated inside the sports enclosure and the outside spaces of the Le Mans circuits.

Public:

Any person entering the sports enclosure and the outside spaces.

Special event:

Occurrence taking place inside the sports enclosure with ticketing, for which an administrative authorisation is required.

Event:

Occasion taking place inside the sports enclosure without ticketing, such as a corporate event, congress-seminars, driving sessions.

Accreditation:

Individual pass allowing access to one or several sites for an identified and appointed person, for a defined special event and/or period. The pass must be worn by the accredited person, so that he/she can be visually controlled. Specimen will be displayed at the main entrances.

Ticket:

Physical or non-physical medium, associated with an entrance fee and which is necessarily taken either from a manual source (counterfoil book), from a computerised system or a paperless system in the case where the client prints it himself on a paper medium after his purchase on internet.

Preamble

The present Rules and Regulations apply to any person entering the sports enclosure in order to attend a special event (motorbikes, go-karts, automobiles, trucks, etc.), to visit the circuit, to attend an event (seminars, receptions, meetings, driving sessions, etc.) or to work there.

The present Rules and Regulations also apply to any person entering the Museum of the 24 Hours of Le Mans.

TITLE I ACCESS TO THE CIRCUITS

Article 1

The provisions of the present regulations apply to any person alone or in a group, while walking or driving in a vehicle inside the sports enclosure or on the outside spaces.

Access to the sports enclosure and the outside spaces is regulated. During the special events, it is subject to the presentation of an access pass (ticket and/or accreditation). Counterfeiting an access pass, whether someone is in possession of it or has handed it over by any means and in any place, will be subject to a ban on access or an expulsion and may give rise to legal proceedings. The said pass will be confiscated at once. Outside special events or during events, access is permitted upon justification.

Article 2

Any person entering inside the sports enclosure and onto the outside spaces complies with the present Rules and Regulations, along with laws and regulations currently in force.

Article 3

The sports enclosure and the outside spaces are open at the hours displayed at the main entrances.

The access outside events is subject to the grant of a title of specific access against the deposit of an identity card.

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Access to the track and to the areas under development is forbidden to the public and to anyone who is not expressly authorised by the organiser.

Article 4

The sports enclosure and the outside spaces, other spaces, meeting and seminar rooms, lounges and public relations areas, grandstands, paddocks, the track and spaces reserved for officials will only be accessible to people holding a specific authorisation to enter.

Article 5

The public and any natural or legal person in general shall undergo control operations carried out at the entrances and throughout the inside of the sports enclosure and in the outside spaces.

The public shall undergo possible palpations requested by staffs of control and security services which are empowered to carry out these operations (Law N°2016-339 of 22/03/2016 and decree N° 2016-515 of 26/04/2016) as soon as administrative authorisations have been given.

Any person may be asked to go through a security gate and to present items he is carrying with him in his clothes or hand luggage. The public is asked to be willing to cooperate regarding these operations.

The law authorises security guards to perform only a visual inspection of bags. They are allowed to search them only with the consent of their owners.

Any person refusing to submit to said security measures will be refused entry into the sports enclosure or any place within the outside spaces. He may be shown out of these spaces.

Article 6

In accordance with the Sports Code within the sports enclosure and the outside spaces, in particular during a special sporting event, it is forbidden:

- to introduce, by means of force or fraud, alcoholic beverages within the meaning of L.3321-1 of the Public Health Code, under threat of a 7,500 Euro fine and of one year's imprisonment (article L.332-3 of the Sports Code) ;

- for any intoxicated person to enter under threat of a 7,500 Euro (article L.332-4 of the Sports Code);

- to enter or to try to enter intoxicated by means of force or fraud a sports enclosure during the proceedings or the public broadcast of a special sporting event (article L.332-5 of the Sports Code) under threat of a 15,000 Euro fine and of one year's imprisonment;

- to promote hatred among spectators or violence with regard to the organiser and his employees or any other person or group of people under the threat of a 15,000 Euro fine and of one year's imprisonment (article L.332-6 of the Sports Code) ;

- to introduce, to wear or to show insignias, signs or symbols which allude to racist or xenophobic ideology under threat of a 15,000 euro fine and of one year's imprisonment. The attempt to commit an offence will be punished to the same extent (article L.332-7 of the Sports Code);

- to introduce, to hold or to use any object that can be turned into a weapon in the meaning of the article 132-75 of the Penal Code, under the threat of a 15,000 Euro fine and of three year's imprisonment. The attempt to commit an offence will be punished to the same extent (article L.332-8 of the Sports Code);

- to throw projectiles through the grandstands or onto the track, and more generally within the sports enclosure and the outside spaces, being a hazard for people's safety, under the threat of a 15,000 Euro fine and of three year's imprisonment (article L.332-9 of the Sports Code) ;

- to disturb the proceedings of the competition or to jeopardise people's safety or assets by entering the competition area of a sports enclosure (article L.332-10 of the Sports Code), under the threat of a 15,000 Euro fine and of one year's imprisonment.

It is also forbidden to introduce any explosive, flammable or volatile substance, any pyrotechnic product or composition as well as any glass packaging inside the sports enclosure.

Setting fire in outdoor spaces is subject to authorisation of the Organiser.

"Barbecue"- type of equipment is prohibited in the WORKING PADDOCK. In the SUPPORT PADDOCK and the Parc Assistance, only electric or gas "barbecue"-type of equipment is permitted.

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According to the Decree of December 17, 2015 regarding the use of the airspace by aircrafts that fly without anyone on board, the overflight of the sports enclosure, the outside spaces and the public by a drone is prohibited.

The organiser reserves the right to forbid any device within the sports enclosure or the outside spaces if safety might be threatened. Setting fire within the outside spaces is subject to authorisation from the organiser.

Objects infringing these regulations and being confiscated by authorised security personnel will immediately be destroyed.

The organiser and the manager reserve the right to prosecute offenders of the present regulations to obtain their conviction with the additional punishment of not being allowed to enter or to approach an enclosure where a special event is taking place.

Article 7

Access to the sports enclosure and to the outside spaces is prohibited for people carrying sharp or blunt objects and, in general terms, bulky or dangerous objects.

TITLE II GENERAL BEHAVIOUR OF THE PUBLIC

Article 8

Generally speaking, the public is asked to avoid causing, by its attitude, its behaviour and its words, any confusion whatsoever regarding the good proceedings of special events or of its visit of the sports enclosure and the outside spaces and to comply with the safety rules.

The offenders could face expelling from the sports enclosure and the outside spaces. In the event of a repeated infringement, the organiser or the manager reserve the right to ask for legal action for a final expelling notwithstanding the application, if need be, of the provisions of the article L.332-11 of the Sports Code.

Setting off fire alarms may occur only if absolutely necessary. Any abuse will be punished.

Article 9

In particular, it is forbidden:

- to jump over devices meant to contain the public and, except in the event of a disaster; to use emergency exits;
- to cross barriers and fences, to break displayed prohibitions;
- to take part in races, brawling, gilding or climbing;
- to drop litter, in particular, chewing-gums;
- to use slingshots, to throw diverse objects, to climb on fences, roll bars, seats;
- to do any kind of business, to make publicity or propaganda without authorisation, to collect for charity, do hand out or sell leaflets, forms, newspapers, insignias, substances or objects of any kind;
- to disturb other people by any kind of noisy expression and especially by listening to sound devices and by using musical instruments, except in the case of events, subject to authorisation;
- to use spaces and equipment in a way that is not complying with their purpose;
- to organise any kind of event or show without having obtained prior approval;
- to organise any guided visit without having the necessary approval from the organiser or the manager;
- to deteriorate furniture put at the disposal in the sports enclosure and the outside spaces or to remove them from there;
- introduce animals that are not kept on a leash inside the sports enclosure or the outside spaces. Animals, even kept on a leash are not authorised in the grandstands, the working paddock and the pits, except for dogs accompanying holders of a disability card as stipulated in article L.241-3 of the French Family and Social Action Code;
- to move about undressed in the sports enclosure;
- to wear clothes or a mask covering totally the face except for medical reasons;
- to introduce into the sports enclosure any means of individual or collective lifting (i.e.: stepladder, scaffolding, etc.) unless authorised by the organiser or manager for strictly professional purposes.
- to give out advertising objects without the organiser's approval;
- to sell or hand out illegally any kind of articles.

Article 10

It is forbidden to put graffiti, posters, marks or dirt on walls, metal gate, buildings as well as on trees and any work.

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Any person caught deteriorating or damaging deliberately movable and immovable property of the sports enclosure and outside spaces (wrenching seats, breaking windows, graffiti, etc.), or threatening people's safety, in particular, by using explosive, incendiary or pyrotechnic substances, will immediately be looked after by the police.

Any person prosecuted for these offences will on one hand be punished by a fine, the amount of which is situated between 3,750 Euros and 75,000 Euros and on the other hand shall be liable to a penalty of detention for a term of five years as stipulated in articles 322-1 to 322-4 of the Penal Code. In addition to this punishment, he will have to reimburse the costs of the restoration works caused by the damaging.

Extract of article 322-1 of the Penal Code: "destruction or deterioration of property owned by others shall be punished with a penalty with detention for a term of two years and a 30,000 Euro fine".

Article 11

To ensure the protection of the premises, it is furthermore forbidden:

- to deteriorate greenery, to remove and take plants, to pick flowers, to break or cut foliage, to mutilate trees and to climb them;
- to enter a clump of trees or shrubs or passing through them;
- to remove advertising media and decorating elements
- generally, to carry out any action which might cause deterioration.

Article 12

Exercises or games presenting a risk of damage to people or equipment as well as any activity possible to impede the traffic and disturb the serenity of the place are prohibited.

All card games or games of chance involving stakes are prohibited. Ball games are forbidden.

The setting up of a short-lived swimming pool is not tolerated in order to prevent any risk of drowning.

Article 13

The public must respect the seat numbering when stipulated as such by the ticketing department for the special event and has to follow indication provided by the staff in charge of the welcoming and the placement.

In grandstands that are fitted with seats it is forbidden to stand up or sit down for a long time or permanently on the stairwells, in "vomitories" and storage areas.

Article 14

In the general interest, the public has to comply with the recommendation or orders it receives from the staff of the sports enclosure and outside spaces.

Article 15

Any lost child shall be entrusted to a security agent, who shall take it to the «Centre Médical Spectateurs» or the «Centre Médical Piste» or outside sporting events to the «Accueil Général» situated at the north entrance of the Circuit. If need be and in any case, the lost child will be entrusted to the Police station of Le Mans.

TITLE III PROVISIONS REGARDING CERTAIN SPACES

Article 16

In closed spaces that are open to the public it is forbidden:

- to smoke in accordance with the decree 2006-1386 of 15th November 2006; This ban applies in the pits and on the Pit-Lane and this rule also applies for electronic cigarettes.

For the grandstand T34, the ban on smoking applies only for the first 5 rows from the railing overhanging the pits.

It is strictly forbidden to consume or do business with drugs or any other illicit products within the enclosure of the circuit or outside spaces under threat of eviction and of being entrusted to the police.

Article 17

Some restaurants, shops, attractions, shows, sanitary facilities and parades are seasonal biased or may close for works or because of bad weather conditions or inadequate safety conditions. Those closing downs may be carried out without notice.

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ARTICLE 18

During an event and outside a special paying event, the purchase of a ticket to visit the circuit does not allow access to the paddocks and tracks, which are exclusively reserved for the use of renters of this space.

TITLE IV ACCESS OF VEHICLES TO THE SPORTS ENCLOSURE

ARTICLE 19:

The access to the enclosure of the circuit outside events is limited and depending on the communication of an access code by the ACO.

In the case of diffusion of this access code by any means, in particular by way of social networks, by people not authorised by the ACO, the latter reserves the right to forbid the diffuser access to the circuit and this would also lead to the change of the access code.

Article 20

Inside the sports enclosure and on the outside it is forbidden to ride a scooter, whether it is engine, electric or thermal-driven, to use skateboards or roller skates.

Two-wheeled engines called "pocket bikes" in particular and any machine considered dangerous for the public's safety in general are also prohibited in the sports enclosure and on the outside.

According to the provisions of the Law, it is recalled that it is mandatory to wear CE certified helmets and gloves to drive authorised two-wheeled engines.

Helmets are also mandatory for children under 12 using bicycles.

During the period of a special event, the access of allowed vehicles inside the sports enclosure and on the outside is regulated. It is authorised, subject to the approval of a title of traffic and parking issued by the organiser or the Manager of the sports enclosure and the outside.

The driving and parking pass will have to be displayed in plain view on the vehicle and for vehicles with bodywork it has to be stuck in a visible manner onto the inside of the windscreen.

Outside the holding of a special event, access of vehicles is subject to a magnetic badge, which will be handed out against the deposit of a proof of ID, or by means of an access code previously issued to an organiser of an event.

Article 21

Inside the sporting enclosure and the outside spaces as well as the camping areas and parking spaces, the provisions of the Highway Code apply. Drivers have to comply with them and respect there the signalling at risk of eviction and a withdrawal of their driving and parking pass.

Vehicles have to be driven at very slow speed, thus allowing an immediate stop at any time. Drivers have to respect the speed limit that is 30 km/h, unless different indication is given by road signalling.

Drivers have to use the traffic lanes only and must respect the directions of traffic. Particular attention has to be paid to the heights of the North (3M30) and the South (4M40) tunnels and lights should be turned on when passing through those tunnels.

Article 22

The parking of vehicles is regulated and allowed in defined areas but only to vehicles holding a parking pass handed out by the organiser or the manager. The parking pass has to be displayed in plain view and for vehicles with bodywork it has to be stuck in a visible manner onto the inside of the windscreen.

If possible, drivers have to use spaces provided for that purpose in the parking lots and follow orders given by the staff of the control and security department. In the case of parking outside the spaces provided or in zones that are not provided for that purpose, the vehicle will be towed away and impounded. When recovering the vehicle, the driver will have to pay an amount of money so as to participate in the costs of organisation, the lump-sum amount of which is € 140 incl. tax.

For safety reasons, it is strictly forbidden to park on the emergency lane, as well as in front of accesses, entrances, exits, fire columns, hydrants and evacuation stairs.

Article 23

It is recommended not to leave any items in the vehicles in full view. The organiser or the manager decline any responsibility in case of theft or damage caused.

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TITLE V SPECIAL EVENTS

Article 24

It is also forbidden to pass from one grandstand to another, to jump over handrails, to climb metal gates and fences all over the sports enclosure and outside spaces. The fact of entering onto the track is subject to punishment of a 15,000 Euro fine and one year of imprisonment (article L.332-10 of the Sports Code).

Consequently, any offender will be put at the disposal of the police.

Article 25

During special events, the public is likely to be filmed because of television broadcastings, cinema and Internet. Any possessor of a ticket therefore authorises the organiser or the manager to use the pictures where he could appear, as well as those of minors he is responsible for, which were taken on the occasion of special events, on any media including documents they might edit to ensure their promotion and their publicity, as well as the broadcasting of the special event and that, all over the world, without limit of time or quantity.

TITLE VI SHOOTINGS, RECORDINGS AND COPIES

Article 26

Shootings and sound recordings by any means whatsoever, cannot be carried out within the sports enclosure and on outside spaces without a prior formal written agreement from the organiser or the manager or people duly empowered to do so.

Likewise, installations or technical equipment cannot be photographed, filmed or recorded without such an agreement. Amateurs are allowed tolerance, provided it is only for private use. However, the organiser or the manager reserve the right to forbid shootings and recordings of any kind in some areas or on the occasion of certain special events he designates specifically.

The organiser reserves the right to confiscate photos taken without his approval.

Article 27

The sports enclosure is fitted out with a video surveillance system in compliance with the code of internal security. The pictures are recorded and kept for 7 days. Any request to accede the pictures has to be made by mail to:

M. le responsable du système de vidéo protection
Circuit des 24 Heures CS 72029 Le Mans.
Telephone : 02 43 40 25 56

TITLE VII APPLICATION OF THE REGULATIONS

Article 28

The public shall avoid actions that may jeopardise the safety of the staff and third parties.

Any unusual accident or occurrence has immediately to be notified to a member of the staff.

Article 29

If the evacuation of the sports enclosure and outside spaces seems to be necessary, the public will be led by the present staff. The evacuation will be coordinated by « guide lines » and « rear-guard lines » recognisable by an « Evacuation » armband or an « Accueil et Contrôle » tabard. Everyone has to respect safety instructions given by the personnel in charge of the operations.

Article 30

Found items have to be handed over to a member of the staff in charge of the welcoming and the control or to a security guard situated at the accesses. They will be kept available to their owner for fifteen calendar days at the general reception, situated at the main entrance of the Circuit of the 24 Hours of Le Mans. Beyond that period, they will be destroyed.

Article 31

In any situation where the people's safety or the security of assets within the sports enclosure and the outside spaces might be compromised, warning provisions may be carried out, including, in particular, the closing of accesses and the control of exits.

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Article 32

In the event of an excessive number of visitors, turmoil, strikes and in any situation where the people's safety or the security of assets might be compromised, a total or partial closing of the sports enclosure and the outside spaces may take place and the control of the entrances by all appropriate means. The service in charge of the control and the security takes any action considered essential regarding the circumstances and in particular, the putting into place of the checking of all luggage, bags or parcels at the entrance and exits of the sports enclosure and outside spaces.

Article 33

The organiser or the manager reserve the right to modify in whole or in part the present regulations, at any time, for legitimate reasons, in particular and without limitation

regarding safety reasons, improvement of the service or to take into account of the evolution of legislative, regulatory or jurisprudential measures.

These Rules and Regulations shall apply from the moment they are displayed at the main entrances of the sports enclosure and/or following their publication on the institutional website of the A.C.O.

Article 34

Any infringement of one of the mentioned rules of the present regulations will result in immediate expulsion of the offending person, and, if need be, in legal proceedings. In no case will there be reimbursement of the tickets.

Le Mans, April 2017.

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