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### **WeatherTech 240 Trackside Technical Support**

As we prepare to resume racing, Michelin would like to share our policies and approach to trackside operations that will apply during the IMSA WeatherTech 240 at Daytona International Speedway. Maintaining the health and safety of our staff and everyone involved in this event is our first priority.

- Michelin will have 6 members of the motorsport technical team onsite for the WeatherTech 240.
- All Michelin staff will have completed appropriate self-screenings for COVID-19 related symptoms prior to departing for the event and daily during the duration of the event, consistent with Michelin and IMSA specified requirements.
- Access to the Michelin Engineering trailers will be restricted to only Michelin Motorsport staff. If a meeting with a Michelin representative is needed, we ask that a virtual meeting be utilized if at all possible. A small meeting area will be available outside the Michelin trailers if a more direct meeting is necessary.
- Michelin staff will wear face masks during the event per IMSA Protocol requirements. Anyone entering the Michelin compound is expected to wear an appropriate face mask.

With regard to tire measurements, inspection procedures and tire monitoring during track sessions, operations will differ substantially in comparison to our normal practices. The primary focus of our staff will be to monitor tire performance without closely mingling or directly interacting with race teams staff members.

The following protocols shall be applied.

- Michelin staff will not enter teams pit boxes, transporters or garage areas.
- A member of the Michelin technical staff will be stationed at the Michelin Pit Stand during active track sessions to address critical tire related issues.
- Teams shall provide Michelin tire related data following the conclusion of each session along with any pertinent comments or observations regarding tire performance. At a minimum, the following information is expected:
  - Cold inflation pressures
  - Hot inflation pressures

- Initial Camber settings are to be provided by the end of the Practice 1 and anytime camber is changed.
  - Tire temperature data, surface temperatures are acceptable if cars are fitted with sensors.
  - If a Team has a tire or multiple tires that require inspection, the tires are to be placed in the designated tire inspection area of the Michelin Tire Compound.
    - This inspection area is reserved for tires with issues that are of concern to the Team and require inspection prior to the next on-track session.
    - Tires must be marked with wheel position, laps completed and car number prior to being delivered to the Michelin Inspection area.
    - A message detailing the number of tires, car number and point of concern must be sent to Michelin prior to the tires being delivered.
  - Tire related data & communications should be exchange via Microsoft Teams, text messaging or email.
  - The Michelin points of contact during this event are:
    - Ken Payne, overall operations: 864-616-8531; [kenneth.payne@michelin.com](mailto:kenneth.payne@michelin.com)
    - Hans Emmel, DPi & GTLM support: 864-872-0052 ; [hans.emmel@michelin.com](mailto:hans.emmel@michelin.com)
    - Robbie Holley, GTD support: 864-871-2629; [robbie.holley@michelin.com](mailto:robbie.holley@michelin.com)
    - Joe Ignacio, RFID, fitting operations: 864-633-8259; [joe.ignacio@michelin.com](mailto:joe.ignacio@michelin.com)
    - Tom Sullivan, operations support :704-222-5488; [tom.sullivan@michelin.com](mailto:tom.sullivan@michelin.com)
- ➔ Prior to Practice 1, the representative for each Team that will be sending data to Michelin is expected to send a test message to the applicable Michelin contact, so Michelin may confirm a functioning communication path with each team.

This approach will respect the need to operate as a unique work cell while appropriately monitoring tire performance.

Thank you for your support and understanding during these challenging times. Please let us know should you have any questions.