

Drivers Meeting Notes Racing into Spring at Lime Rock April 19 & 20, 2024

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Stewards: Bill Miller (L), Dave Rodenroth and Donna Amico (training)

Timing: Roland Nieves

Scrutineers: Joel Nannis (L), Adam Jaspers, John Rickard, Dale Tuety and Steve Watkins (training)

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Hello PCA racers,

We are all looking forward to Racing into Spring at Lime Rock Park with our presenting sponsor Danbury Porsche again this year. We would like to acknowledge and thank the Connecticut Valley PCA Region for all the hard work that went into making this race weekend possible.

We have terrific national sponsors that contribute significantly to Club Racing. Please use them and thank them, they are listed on the back of our timing sheets. Local sponsors have also contributed significantly to this event, we would like to give a shout out and thanks to them. They are listed at the end of this message. Please support them by giving them your business!

This document contains information you need for the club race weekend at Lime Rock Park, including race-specific details you need to know. Please take a few minutes to look it over.

This is PCA Club Racing, it's for fun and is a non-contact sport, allow racing room, good judgement, race hard and most of all... be safe and have fun!

Thank you, Bill, Dave and Donna

Race & Track Specific Information

The Rules for Club Racing are in effect as soon as you arrive at the track.

Lime Rock Park Information:

- Lime Rock requires all entrants (racers, crew and guests) to sign the LRP SpeedWaiver each day. It can be signed the night before but is only good for one day. Here is the link to sign the Speed Waiver: https://limerock.speedwaiver.com/gkcmv. There will be no paper waivers to sign at the gate, so please be sure all occupants of your vehicle have executed the speed waiver before getting to the entrance.
- Should you or any of your participants need to load-in via West Bend, you will need to cross before the track goes hot for the day at 8:45am, Gates open at 7:00am.
- Lime Rock Park reserves the right to halt Track and Proving Ground Operations to facilitate truck crossings in order for Lime Rock Park to continue its daily operations.
- LRP will make every effort to limit the crossings to 10:00am and 2:00pm when possible.
- It is strongly advised that all participants disable On Star or any Crash Notification System that their vehicle may have; this is only if they are using a vehicle with these features while on the track. This will prevent automated dialing of 911 and prevent the activation of unnecessary resources from outside emergency services.

Safety Protocol: Porsche Club Racing continues to recommend that you bring masks and sanitization equipment to each race venue to be prepared for local restrictions. Please follow the individual track requirements at the time of the event.

Stewards: Bill Miller, Dave Rodenroth and Donna Amico

Contact with your Steward should be via email: limerock@pcaclubracing.org. This email goes directly to the Stewards and will be monitored during the event by the Stewards or Stewards' assistants. Please do not visit the tower unless you are bringing a video or have been invited.

The Stewards will text updates and other information to the participants. If you have not signed up for PCA texting to your mobile phone, go to clubregistration.net and sign up.

The PCA Radio channel for the Steward to communicate to teams: 464.8250 251 DPL.

Scrutineers: Your event Scrutineers are Joel Nannis (Lead), Adam Jaspers, John Rickard, Dale Tuety and Steve Watkins

We are back to a full paper tech, which means you must bring your logbook to Tech in the end classroom in the Tower to complete registration and receive the tech sticker to be displayed on your car. If this is your first race in 2024, you will also need to bring completed 2024 Technical Inspection and Compliance Forms with your logbook.

If your car needs a new logbook or full tech inspection for another reason, please bring your car to the Tech Tent, across from EMS, next to the Automobile Associates of Canton trailer for inspection.

Scrutineers will be at black flag on the hot pit lane and during on-track sessions. They will be at Tech or in the paddock during breaks. Look for the blue PCA scrutineer shirts for assistance or any questions you might have. You may also text Joel Nannis (Lead) at 817-721-6077.

Your Scrut(s) may be conducting inspections or electronically collecting data to determine compliance with various technical specifications. We choose cars on a random and non-random basis.

Timing & Scoring: Roland Nieves

Roland will be in Timing & Scoring; 2nd floor in the tower. Change orders, for example changing cars or adding a co-driver, will be done through Registration also located on the 2nd floor of the tower. There is no need to come to Timing and Scoring unless you are invited or have a reason to be there.

Registration:

All drivers must be pre-registered at Clubregistration.net. Registered drivers are required to complete online PCA waivers prior to the event. Registration will be on the 2nd floor in the tower. After showing a valid ID, you will be given a registration packet that includes run group stickers and wrist bands, and additional information. Check to be sure you have your run group stickers, helmet stickers, and roll bar tech stickers properly displayed. Wrist band designating your race registration should be worn and shown at grid. Check the event schedule for registration hours.

All event drivers, guests, crew, and volunteers must wear their PCA-issued wristband(s) while in the paddock. Please ensure any minor children in your care are also checked in and have a guardian-completed minor waiver.

Racers Meetings: Your schedule has a short MANDATORY racer meeting Friday morning at 9:00am in the A paddock near the store.

PCA's Passing Rules:

- "1. The driver attempting a pass has the responsibility to complete a clean pass."
- "2. The car ahead at turn in has the corner but does not "own" the corner."
- "3. Everyone must leave racing room."

The responsibility to complete a safe pass lies with the overtaking car. What this means:

The overtaking car is responsible to pick a place where a safe pass is achievable, timing is sufficient that it can be completed, and that the overtaking car can present itself before turn in to the corner alongside the other car long enough to be reasonably be seen by the other driver.

The car ahead at turn in has the corner but does not own the corner. What this means:

The car being overtaken must leave racing room if an overtaking car presents itself alongside early and long enough to reasonably expect to have been seen by the car being overtaken.

Both drivers have responsibility to manage the situation.

360-degree awareness (If a car was there previously it probably still is around you)

"Back off" is a viable option and always keep a way out.

Car to Car Incident Procedures

If you are involved in an incident, you have the option to determine if it is safe for you to continue racing after an on-track incident. However, if you don't report to Black Flag on pit lane at the end of the session/race, then your clock stops at the time of the incident, and you are automatically DQ'd. For car-to-car incidents (or any other video you need to share with the steward) bring your video of the incident to the Steward on an SD Card or Thumb drive. Bring extra memory media to the track for this specific purpose.

Be sure the video is clearly named and labeled with:

- o Your name, car number, and session.
- The file name on the media that displays the incident.
- o The time of the incident on the video.
- o You will be required to leave the SD card or Thumb Drive with the Stewards assistant (it will be returned later) so bring extra, just in case.

13/13 Procedures

Should you be given a 13/13 sanction you are still allowed to continue racing for the weekend, subject to Steward approval.

Checkered Flag: At Start/Finish on the front straight for all sessions.

Pit Lane Speed Limit: 35 MPH

Track limits: As you exit pit lane, please stay right of the pit out blend line. Also, look for and remember the location of the orange square markers on the armco barriers to get safely off track, if needed. Exceeding track limits is considered "off track."

Noise Restrictions: THIS IS AN UNMUFFLED EVENT. HOWEVER, NO UNMUFFLED ENGINES MAY BE REVVED (88 db Limit) BEFORE 10AM OR AFTER 6PM ON FRIDAY OR BEFORE 9AM OR AFTER 6PM ON SATURDAY. VIOLATIONS OF THIS RESTRICTION MAY RESULT IN IMMEDIATE EXPULSION FROM THE EVENT.

NEW Full-Course Yellow Procedures

When the track goes full-course yellow (double yellow), we may need to get the pace car out to gather the field without waiting to pick up the leader. This means there may be cars behind the pace car in front of the leader. We will use a paddle that is green on one side and red on the other to communicate to drivers behind the pace car if and when they should pass the pace car and proceed at a moderate pace to catch the field.



The sequence after a double yellow is:

- 1. Slow down
- 2. If you are the leader, slow way down and start to gather up the field. Most of the time, we will insert the pace car into the gap created by the leader when he or she slows down.
- 3. If the pace car comes out ahead of cars that are in front of the leader, then the pace car will first gather the field.
- 4. Once the field has been collected, the person in the passenger seat of the pace car will show the green side of the paddle to indicate to the car behind that the car should pass the pace car.

- 5. The green paddle will be shown to each car that needs to pass the pace car; once the leader is behind the pace car, the red side of the paddle will be shown to the leader to indicate he or she should remain behind the pace car.
- 6. When the pace car lights go out, the pace car will accelerate away from the field, and there will be a single-file restart.

Black Flags: Bridge Station and Start/Finish Stand.

Black Flag Station: In the hot pits as you exit the track. This is the location of the Scrutineers. Always look for instructions/information as you exit the track. If the scrutineer is holding a white board, read it.

Timing Loop: Start/Finish.

Scales: Scales and impound are located at the Tech Tent, across from EMS, next to the Automobile Associates of Canton trailer.

Medical Location: Medical is the Ambulance in front of the Medical Building. There is a new (2019) medical protocol: The Driver may indicate that he or she went to medical, or they chose to decline medical evaluation. There is no longer a required sign off by the EMTs or track physician. It is our STRONG position that going for medical evaluation is the proper action, this is unchanged. If any racer is taken to hospital for any reasons by anyone, race related or not, please notify your Steward.

Result Sheets: Results sheets will be at the base of the tower; change forms and helpful information are at Registration in the tower. Check Result Sheets to confirm your transponder is working and your information is correct. Unofficial results should also be posted on RaceHero and RaceMonitor.

Race Fuel: Gas pumps at the track are pay-at-the-pump with credit cards. The pumps are in Paddock B and are open all hours. The following Fuel Grades are available: 93, 100 octane unleaded and 110 octane leaded.

Tire Support:

Frisby Performance Tire, 800-789-7201 https://www.frisbyracetire.com/pca.html or sales@frisbyracetire.com.

Awards: Rookie License Certificates, Worker Choice Awards, Sponsor Certificates, and Race Awards will be mailed instead of distributed at track.

Lime Rock Park Concession: will be providing food throughout the event from 8am to 5pm.

Your Weekend Sessions

best time from P2

Your National Championship Points Races are all three races.

Grid Position

Practice 3:

Practice 1: first come first served
Practice 2: best time from P1

Qualifying: best time from either P2 or P3

Sprint 1: best time from Qualifying

Sprint 2: best time from Sprint 1

Sprint 3: best time from Sprint 2

Calls to Grid: 1st@15min, 2nd@10min, Grid closes at 5min. Get to grid early.

Qualifying

Qualifying session is your fourth session and is on your schedule as "qualifying." Your qualifying session will be on the clock, so the number of laps is as time allows.

Qualifying is under green flag condition (if possible); that means the track is green as soon as you enter the track, so no games, no side-to-side swerving, which is blocking, you may be black flagged (which will ruin your qualifying session).

Practice Starts & Fun Race No Practice Starts or Fun Races are scheduled.

Sprint Races

Length of Sprints 1 and 2 is scheduled to be 30 minutes from green flag to checker, but this may change based on conditions. Sprint 3 is scheduled to be 25 minutes. Race to the Checkered flag.

Track Map



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Event Schedule – *Subject to Change*

THURSDAY		SATURDAY	
All day	Gates Open to Race & Key Officials	7:45 - 8:10 AM	OPTIONAL DRIVERS MEETING
3:00 PM	Gate opens for all drivers	8:15 AM	Corner Worker Meeting
3:00 - 4:00 PM	Meeting: National & Key Volunteers	8:45 AM	Grid/Corner Workers on Station
4:00 - 7:00 PM	Paper Tech Inspection - Tower		WARM UP
4:00 - 7:00 PM	Driver/Crew Registration - Tower	9:15 AM	GREEN WARM UP
5:15 PM	Track Chalk Talk/Walk	9:30 AM	ORANGE WARM UP
	FRIDAY	9:45 AM	YELLOW WARM UP
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Volunteer Registration	10:00 AM	VINTAGE WARM UP
7:30 - 5:00 PM	Driver/CrewRegistration - Tower		SPRINT #1
7:30 - 5:00 PM	Tech Inspection/Scrutineering	10:20 AM	GREEN SPRINT #1
7:30 AM	Volunteer Radio Pickup - <i>Tower</i>	10:55 AM	ORANGE SPRINT #1
7:45 AM	Volunteer Meeting	11:30-12:20 PM	LUNCH
8:15 AM	Corner Worker Meeting	12:15 PM	Grid/Corner Workers on Station
9:00 AM	MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING	12:30 PM	YELLOW SPRINT #1
9:45 AM	Grid/Corner Workers on Station	1:05 PM	VINTAGE SPRINT #1
PRACTICE 1		SPRINT #2	
10:00 AM	GREEN PRACTICE #1	1:35 PM	GREEN SPRINT #2
10:25 AM	ORANGE PRACTICE #1	2:10 PM	ORANGE SPRINT #2
10:50 AM	YELLOW PRACTICE #1	2:45 PM	YELLOW SPRINT #2
11:15 AM	VINTAGE PRACTICE #1	3:20 PM	VINTAGE SPRINT #2
11:40 AM - 12:40 PM	LUNCH (ONE HOUR)		SPRINT #3
12:40 PM	Grid/Corner Workers on Station	3:50PM	GREEN SPRINT #3
PRACTICE 2		4:20 PM	ORANGE SPRINT #3
12:45 PM	GREEN PRACTICE #2	4:50 PM	YELLOW SPRINT #3
1:10 PM	ORANGE PRACTICE #2	5:20 PM	VINTAGE SPRINT #3
1:35 PM	YELLOW PRACTICE #2	7:30 PM	LIME ROCK CLOSES
2:00 PM	VINTAGE PRACTICE #2		
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Although this is an un-muffled event, please be mindful that unmuffled engines may not be revved prior to 10:00 AM or after 6:00 PM on Friday, and not before 9:00 AM or after 6:00 PM on Saturday. Excessive noise from engines before or after designated times is expressly prohibited, and violators may be subject to immediate removal from the event. Thank you for your cooperation!

MEETING LOCATIONS			
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4:00 - 7:00 PM	Driver/Crew Registration - <i>Tower</i>		
FRIDAY			
7:00 - 8:30 AM	Volunteer Registration - Trailer Associates trailer across from the stairs and restrooms		
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8:15 AM	Corner Worker Meeting - outside of EMS		
9:00 AM	MANDATORY DRIVERS MEETING - Paddock A near store.		
9:45 AM	Grid/Corner Workers on Station		

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