

Porsche Club of America - Northeast and North Country Regions

Autocross COVID-19 Protocols

Rev 6.1

These protocols are in addition to, or revisions of, the standard NER and/or NCR autocross rules and may be revised without notice. These protocols also encompass and extend the established COVID-19 Autocross Minimum Standards for Moore Airfield. **Anyone who does not comply with these standards and protocols will be asked to leave the event.**

1. General

- a. In accordance with current Massachusetts travel regulations related to COVID-19, if you have been to any state except ~~Rhode Island~~, Connecticut, Vermont, New Hampshire, Maine, New York, or New Jersey in the past 14 days, you may not attend the event. A full refund will be issued if you have already registered. More information in this regard is available at <https://www.mass.gov/info-details/travel-information-related-to-covid-19>. **Note:** Rhode Island is no longer listed as a lower-risk state. Attendance will require a copy of proof of negative test results for COVID-19 from a test administered on a sample taken not longer than 72 hours before your arrival in Massachusetts.
- b. In accordance with updated Massachusetts restrictions on the maximum number of participants allowed at outdoor events, until further notice autocross will be limited to a total of 50 drivers and non-driving staff members.
- c. All attendees must self-screen at home prior to the event, including temperature and coronavirus symptoms. Anyone who shows an increased temperature, symptoms, is sick, or has had contact with anyone who is sick within two weeks of the event may not attend. A full refund of the fee will be issued. Anyone who comes to the event and is sick or shows symptoms will be asked to leave.
- d. Social distancing of at least 6 feet must be maintained between all individuals. Separation of more than 6 feet is encouraged. Attendees may not enter car trailers other than their own.
- e. All participants must always wear a face mask covering their nose and mouth except when inside their car or working the course and distanced a minimum of 20 feet from other course workers.
- f. No passengers will be allowed in any cars (including instructors).
- g. Registered drivers may only drive the car they are registered in and may not drive any other car.
- h. No visitors or guests are allowed at events.
- i. Car windows (driver and passenger side) must always be kept open while on course.

- j. Registration is limited to experienced drivers (e.g., those who have done a minimum of 5 autocrosses).
- k. Gates will open at 7:30 AM and be closed at 8:30 AM. No one admitted after gates closed.

2. All participants are required to bring:



- a. Drivers should bring their own lunch and enough drinks. Lunch, water, or beverages will not be provided, and participants will not be permitted to leave to get lunch.
- b. A Snell type M, K, or SA helmet with a Snell 2010 (2005 allowed by NCR) or later safety rating. No loaner helmets will be available.
- c. Face masks, which cover the mouth and nose, to be worn at all times except when inside their car or working the course and distanced a minimum of 20 feet from other course workers.
- d. Hand sanitizer for personal use.
- e. Participants are encouraged, but not required, to bring hand washing soap, water, and bowls for personal use to supplement hand sanitizer.

3. Event Operations

a. Check-in

- i. Required waivers must be executed online at SpeedWaiver.com prior to the event. There are two waivers to be signed: the standard Release and Waiver of Liability plus a new Communicable Disease Waiver. Both waivers are required for all attendees and if not executed prior to the event the person will not be allowed to participate.
- ii. Minors are not allowed except for Junior Participant Program participants meeting eligibility requirements and with the approval of the autocross chair.
- iii. Upon arrival at the gate, hold up your driver's license for visual review.
- iv. A sticker will be applied to your car's windshield indicating car number, run group, and work assignment. You must review this sticker and comply with the assignments.

b. Paddock

- i. Cars will be directed in the order they arrive to spaces in the paddock separated by at least 6 feet as indicated by yellow arrows painted on the paddock pavement edges. >  < >  <
- ii. Don't park near porta-potties, dumpster, or equipment containers. The parking area limit will be marked with cones.
- iii. Follow standard procedures for removing all loose items from your car and mounting your assigned number while remaining at least 6 feet from those drivers parked adjacent to you. Perform this task immediately after parking to expedite tech inspection.

c. Technical inspection

- i. Tech inspection will occur in the paddock as soon as you've unloaded your car and put your numbers on.
- ii. Stay with your car and wear a face mask until tech inspection has been completed.
- iii. You will be required to show the tech inspectors your helmet rating and any other interior items they request to see including battery installation.

d. Drivers' meeting

- i. The drivers' meeting will be held via FM radio on channel 89.5. Prior to the start of the drivers' meeting a test announcement will be made over the radio to confirm reception. If you are too far from the timing tent to receive the broadcast, or do not have a working radio in your car, go to the designated area near the timing tent where the meeting will also be broadcast over the PA system. Maintain a minimum of 6 feet from other people.

e. Course walk

- i. Course walks will be permitted as long as social distancing is observed and face masks are worn.

f. Timing

- i. No participants can approach the timing tent except for those who are assigned to timing. The timing tent will be limited to the timer, control, and announcer who must all be separated by at least 6 feet.

- ii. Run times and penalties will not be posted on the trailer; announcer will call times and penalties. NCR will also use live timing.
- iii. Disinfect tables, chairs, and equipment before and after each run group transition.

g. Work

- i. Work assignments for each person will be on the sticker applied to each car at the gate.
- ii. Course workers do not need to wear masks once they have arrived at their station and are distanced 20 ft at a minimum from other course workers.
- iii. It's recommended that course workers use gloves when handling cones; cones will not be sanitized
- iv. Workers will be asked to stack cones at the end of the event, but on an individual basis only, with no stack building between persons encouraged.

h. Award ceremony

- i. To be announced at the drivers' meeting.

j. Equipment set-up and removal

- i. Only staff assigned to setup and teardown will be allowed to handle equipment
- ii. Wear gloves
- iii. Disinfect equipment after setup and before storing in container

4. Local Health Authority contact information:

- a. MA Department of Public Health, telephone number 617-624-6000
- b. Ayer Board of Public Health, telephone number 978-772-8213