

Tech Tips for Car Prep:

- 1) Tires properly inflated and lugs secure.
- 2) Everything out of your trunk, back seat, and floorboards.
- 3) Battery tied down and secure.
- 4) Properly functioning brakes, throttle, clutch, steering wheel.
- 5) Modifications may kick you into a different class...ask.
- 6) Put your number on your car.....both sides in contrasting color.

Walking the course:

- 1) Take a paper and pencil and draw the course.
- 2) Note the entrance and exit from turns.
- 3) Note the distance between slalom cones.
- 4) Note any oddities where elements flow into one another.
- 5) Plan your finish.....including getting down to walking speed.

Driving the course:

- 1) Look ahead.....look ahead.....think ahead.
- 2) Hands follow eyes, car follows hands.
- 3) Scan the course and everything in front of you.
- 4) Slow in, fast out
- 5) Fast parts fast and slow parts slow
- 6) 1st Run, get thru the course.
- 7) Don't stab either the brakes or throttle.
- 8) Unwind the wheel, then add power
- 9) Tell yourself what's coming up next
- 10) Watch for flags and listen for the horn....then stop.

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- Choose CCSPORTSCARCLUB

===== 2018 Autocross Schedule =====

Rantoul

- March 24&25
- April 21&22
- June 23&24
- July 21&22
- August 18&19
- September 29&30
- October 20&21
- November 10&11

Parkland Community

- College:**
- May 5&6
 - September 2&3
 - ** Scholarship events

Day of Event:

7am – Site opens
8-9:30 – Check-in & Reg
8:30-10 – Tech Inspection
9:30 – Course Walk-thru
10am – Drivers' Meeting
10:30 – 1st Car off



CCSCC Pete Hetman Driving School – April 7 @ Rantoul
Rantoul Patching Day – May 25&26

2018 Rally Schedule: Monthly, check the website



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===== 2018 Drivers' Notes =====

***** Let us know if you are new at this AutoX thing.**

WAIVERS – Have you signed the waiver? If not, do it quick. If you see anyone without a wristband, point them toward the waiver station.

@RANTOUL –

- There is a row of blue drums separating us from the runway.
- That line runs along the side of the concrete where the grass begins.
- Never go past this line, if you interfere with the airport, we could lose this site.
- **This is an active airport, No drugs, No alcohol, and No firearms allowed.**
- Spectator locations are on grass at least 65 feet from the course.
- Don't park any vehicles on the grass.
- Look around for the: Waiver Station, Porta Potties, Trash Bags, Pit, Grid, Starting Line, Finish Line, Corners

NO SMOKING -- Smoking only allowed in Pit Area. It's not allowed at all at Parkland.

TRASH – If you brought it....take it home with you. Trash bags are located at the back of the truck and the entrance gate. We want to leave this site better than we found it.

***** Don't leave this blowing around *****

WEATHER –

- Drink plenty of water, Use sunscreen, Tie down your stuff if it is windy.
- We will suspend the event in case of lightning.
- We will not re-start the event until at least 30 minutes after the last lightning strike is observed.



"DOWN"



"OUT"



"OK" (NO PENALTY)



JACKSTANDS -- If you need to jack up your car use jack stands and do that only in the pits

WALKING SPEED - The speed in the pits, grid, and anywhere on the tarmac and parking lots is walking speed. When on course, it's up to you.

STICK AROUND AFTER THE EVENT – there are awards. Stay and cheer on your competitors and see if they have any tips.

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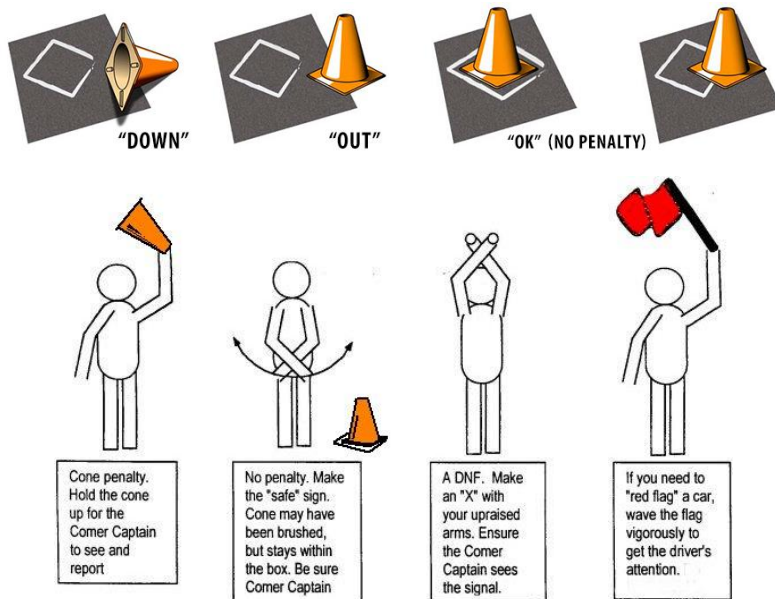
RE-RUN -- If while on the course someone runs in front of you, stop and you will get a re-run. If you see a cone down while on the course, stop and point it out. You will get a re-run. If you don't stop, no re-run.

RED FLAGGED -- If you are red flagged, stop, and then proceed at a reduced speed and safely complete the course. You will get a rerun if you are red flagged for someone else's error. If you are red flagged for something involving your car you will lose that run. The air horn will sound for a full course RED FLAG.

SPIN OUT -- If you spin out, put brake and clutch pedals to the floor ("both feet in") and get your car gathered back up before you continue. The run is lost. Use it to practice, but be safe. Wild, uncontrolled runs could cost us the use of the site and could cause you to be ejected from the event.

In all of the above cases.....you've "blown" the run. There is no need to "hot rod" the rest of the course. Just drive it for practice and don't push it.

If you hit the **timing lights** and damage them, you will have to pay for them. You will be disqualified for the day, and all previous runs will not count. You will not get a refund.



When working the course, move quickly to reset cones and watch for on-coming cars.

No cell phone usage, texting, or pictures while working on course.

WORKING EVENT -- Everyone is expected to work the event. You are to check in at the timing vehicle before your work heat starts and grab a yellow vest. Get there quickly, so we can get the event started. When working the course, you will have to run to put cones in place. We will try to run a car every 20 to 25 seconds. If you can't get all the cones set, use your radio to hold the start and red flag others on the course. When you are working the course, you must not be using a cell phone or other device.

- **Corner Captains** -- grab a radio, hold the flag, and know where the extinguisher is. Report to heat safety steward before going to your corner.
- **Corner Workers** -- know where your cones are. If they wiggle, go check them. We want the same course for everyone. Inform your Corner Captain of any cone penalties.

NO TROPHY -- If you do not work, you will not get a trophy, even if you have earned one. If you leave early, we will not save your trophy unless you make prior arrangements or have someone pick it up for you.

HELMETS -- No helmet, no run, helmet needs tech sticker. Just like your car.

PASSENGERS -- During a timed run, a single passenger is allowed provided they: are at least 12 years old or 57" tall; are in a vehicle which has passed tech inspection; are wearing a properly fitted seat belt and a properly fitted helmet; have completed and signed the required participant waiver. Passengers cannot have hand-held camera, phone, etc. Also, they must keep their hands and arms inside the vehicle or the driver could be disqualified for that run.

CHILDREN & PETS -- Parents are responsible for their children's safety. Children under 12 and pets are not allowed in the grid, start-finish area, or course areas except when supervised by their parents. Pets must be on a leash. Please make sure your pet has shelter and water during the event.

Please, when leaving, drive sensibly, as this reflects on the whole club and may affect our ability get this site in the future. We have notified the police. They will be watching for exuberant driving and you should expect to be ticketed. GOOD LUCK to everyone and let's have a safe fun day.

CAR NUMBER -- Do you have one? Is it plainly visible? Both sides of car? And not on your windows!!!

BE PATIENT WITH YOURSELF -- just because you've been driving for 10 years doesn't mean you know how to do this "autocross thing"....be patient....it will come to you.

Club meetings are the 1st Wednesday of the month at 7:30pm, currently at Jupiter's at the Crossing in Champaign.

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