



Club Racing Experience Participant Information

Club Racing Experience is organized under rules adopted by the SCCA Board of Directors as follows:

It is the intent of this category of event to be a low risk "racing experience" event that provides an instructional environment to experience and learn about wheel-to-wheel racing in an easy to access format. These events shall be run as a separate run group with an SCCA Club Racing or SCCA Time Trial event, or as a standalone event. Events may be sanctioned by SCCA Regions or Chapters on race tracks approved for SCCA Club Racing or SCCA Time Trials.

Driver Eligibility

1. *Participation is open to any SCCA regular or weekend member.*
2. *Participants must be 18 years or older however participants age 14-17 who possess a valid SCCA Novice Permit, SCCA Full Competition license or full SCCA Pro Racing license who have a completed Annual Parental Consent, Release and Waiver of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement and Minor's Assumption of Risk Acknowledgement (note: forms vary by state and witnessing method) on file may be allowed to participate.*
3. *Valid state -issued drivers licenses are not required but a registrar may ask for such identification if there is any question on age.*
4. *Members must possess and are responsible for recording participation in a SCCA Track Participation Log. Logs may be issued by SCCA licensed Stewards or Registrars.*
5. *Participants must certify they have no know medical conditions that would cause them or others undue risk.*

Vehicle Eligibility

1. *Vehicles are intended be production-based vehicles with a performance level equal or less than normal in Club Racing classes Improved Touring R, E Production, Grand Touring 3 or Touring 3. Spec Racer Fords may also be included. Vehicles that demonstrate performance higher than those levels may be excluded by the Chief Steward of the event*
2. *All vehicles must meet the safety and equipment requirements of GCR 9.3.*
3. *All vehicles must meet the safety and equipment requirements of GCR 9.4. "Roll cages for GT and Production based cars" or Appendix I, "2007 Cage Rules".*
4. *The Chief Steward may waive deviations of compliance requirements for a car for an event.*



Event Officials

1. *Officials required for an event are the Chief Steward, Safety Steward and Chief Instructor.*
2. *The Chief Steward and Safety Steward must have a current license as a Steward in either SCCA Club Racing or Time Trials.*
3. *The Chief Instructor must have a Current Club Racing or Time Trial Competition License or equivalent experience.*

Driver Conduct

1. *On track behavior will be in the spirit of GCR section 6. Any participant found to be overaggressive or dangerous may be black flagged and counseled by the Chief Instructor or his designee or excluded from the event.*
2. *At a minimum any participant being found at fault in an accident will be put on probation for a recommended 13 months. Any participant being found at fault in an accident while on probation will be excluded for further participation in these events for 13 months.*

The following is a guide for participants running a Club Racing Experience event.

Expectations and General Information

Club Racing Experience is a format of SCCA wheel-to-wheel racing that is designed to be easy to enter for anyone who has access to an appropriate race car. It is intended to be less aggressive than traditional Club Racing. For some it may be an entree into more serious racing while for others it can be a way to simply experience the fun of wheel-to-wheel racing. It should be a low pressure fun learning experience

CRE cars do not have to be prepared for any particular class. For most cars that are not highly modified the safety rules for Touring is the standard. At the minimum cars require a SCCA Club Racing roll cage, competition seat and belts, a fire extinguisher and window net. Drivers of open top cars may use arm restraints in place of a window net.

The Club Racing requirements for identification marking such as class do not apply. Cars should have serviceable car numbers. Transponders are not required unless specified in the event specific supplemental regulations however cars without transponders will likely not be timed or scored.

Personal safety gear (suit, helmet, head and neck, ect) is also the same as Club Racing.



Participants should pay particular attention to the published schedule. The chief instructor for the event will hold a mandatory classroom session before you go on track and may have post session debrief meetings as well.

Club Racing Experience events often attract a wide variety of participants. Many are first time wheel-to-wheel racers trying racing. Some are using this as a path to competition licensing and some are regular racer's family, friends or crew wanting to experience racing. Often experienced racers will enter CREs to get some less intense rack time for practice or sorting out new cars.

Licensing Path

CRE events can be used as a path to a Club Racing License. Competitors will be given a Track Participation Logbook which the racer uses to document their participation. At the end of each event the Chief Instructor will record your track time. Once a participant has recorded an adequate amount of track time, usually around three hours, and demonstrated proficiency the Chief Instructor and Chief Steward can waive the need for a traditional competition driver's school. You can make this easier for the instructor by taking the online driver's school training available from SCCA.

When this happens the school requirement is signed off in the back of your logbook. Once you have fulfilled this requirement you can, if you like, submit your logbook along with a race medical form to the SCCA national office and receive a Club Racing Novice Permit License. This would allow you to enter any SCCA Regional club race (U.S. Majors Tour events excluded). Once you have successfully run three SCCA regional club race weekends on your novice permit you can upgrade to a SCCA full competition license and are eligible to enter any SCCA Club Race.

