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MIDWEST SHOWDOWN

JUNE 23-25, 2017

THE NEW HEARTLAND PARK

Friday Jun 23

GATES OPEN
11a

PRACTICE CHECK IN
11a - 2p

RACE PRACTICE
1p-5p

CAR INSPECTION &
INTERCOMP WEIGH IN
3p - 6p
Tech Building

CHECK IN & GEAR CHECK
2p-6p
Tech Building

DRIVERS MEETING
& SOCIAL
6:30p - 7:15p
Pavilion

RACE PRACTICE
FRIDAY JUNE 23
1p-5p

Register at

www.RaceWRL.com/2017-schedule

\$200/car

Includes 4 drivers for cars registered for the
MIDWEST SHOWDOWN

Four, 50-minute open sessions
All "closed wheel" race prep and track prep
cars welcome. All drivers must meet WRL
qualifications

Saturday Jun 24

CARS ON GRID
8:35a

PACE LAPS
8:55a

SATURDAY RACE
9a - 5p

TROPHIES ON PIT ROAD
5:15p

*Start time may move to 8a depending on
weather (temp)

Sunday Jun 25

CARS ON GRID
7:30a

PACE LAPS
7:55a

SUNDAY RACE
8a - 3p

TROPHIES ON PIT ROAD
3:15p

Paddock CLEAR
6p

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LOAD IN & PARKING

The following applies to all participants. Please follow the instructions and use common sense when parking, park in an organized manner and leave as much room for others as possible.

1. Early entry begins Friday June 23 at 11a.
2. Everyone entering must sign the waivers and wear the appropriate wristband issued at the gate at all times.
3. Please park trailers in the paddock so as to maximize space. Use space wisely and do not block others in.
4. You must use a pad or plywood square under each leveling jack or stabilizer, including tongue jacks.
5. No parking or equipment in the Fire Lanes. This includes trailer doors/ramps

GENERAL INFO

1. Inspections for cars and gear will start Friday at 3p. Please do not wait until 5:50 to get in line!
2. This is the first race of the season, please make sure you have read or reviewed the 2017 rules. There are changes. The **2017 Rules** available at http://www.racewrl.com/pdfs/2017_rules.pdf
3. New teams - You must fill out the driver roster and disclosure sheets that were emailed to your team captain
4. Returning teams - You only need to fill out the roster and disclosure forms if you have a new driver or you've made changes to the car
5. If your car has not been classed, or needs to be re-classed, proceed to the scales area for the Intercomp Weigh In, and from there you will meet with a steward to go over your Disclosure Sheet and class your car
6. Helmets rated SA2005 are no longer valid. We will be checking helmets at check in and updating your driver record. Do not bring a helmet rated prior to 2010. Do not bring a helmet that is not Snell "SA" rated (no "M", no "ECE" etc.)

GARAGES

Garages at the facility are under control of track management, please see Track Rules for contact info.

TRANSPONDERS

WRL no longer rents, nor loans transponders. You must provide your own. Subscription models start at \$160 from your favorite retailer. A transponder is part of your equipment, just like your engine, transmission, etc. WRL is not responsible for failures. Please ensure that we have the correct transponder number for Timing and Scoring!

Detailed explanations of the 2017 Rules changes can be found at
<http://www.racewrl.com/2017-rules-changes-explained>

PIT & PADDOCK

WRL will occupy the Main Paddock inside of the track.

1. Pit boxes will be assigned, please do not move to a pit box until you know your assignment. For general reference, GTO will be at the pit-out end of pit road (front) and GP4 will be at the pit-in end (back).
2. Cars will stop completely in the pit box before any crew member goes over the wall
3. One crew member may go to the track wall to signal their driver if radio comms fail.
4. You are welcome to set up in the COLD PIT on Friday night. Be advised that the track is HOT on Friday afternoon, please do not interfere with practice.
5. When entering/exiting pit road stay against the track wall unless pulling into pit box. Don't drive through the pit boxes.
6. **No repairs on pit road. Pit Road is for fueling, driver or tire changes and air/oil check only**
7. Cars will be safely supported on jack stands before any work underneath the car in garage or paddock
8. No smoking in buildings or on Pit Road.
9. No fueling or fuel storage in the garages.
10. Speed Limits: Pit Road 35 MPH after the cones. Paddock 10 MPH
11. Stop at pit out COMPLETELY every time
12. Drivers must have current helmet sticker to go on course (WRL QR Code)
13. Restricted areas: No one under 16 permitted on pit road. Please respect the fact that this is a private club track with residences on-site.
14. Pit bikes/vehicles: No one under the age of 16 is permitted to operate a motorized vehicle. Anyone operating a motorized vehicle of any type must have a valid driver's license. The track has specific rules about the operation of motorbikes and other motorized vehicles. No children on bicycles in the paddock, please.

ITEMS TEAMS MUST HAVE ON PIT ROAD

Oil Dri or kitty litter, broom
Non-spill catch pan for fueling
WRL-legal fuel jugs, NO LEAKS
10lb fully charged fire bottle

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Two-way radio comms with car
Chairs
Sun Block and weather gear
Water and snacks
First Aid Kit

FUELING RULES

Fueling a hot race car represents a risk of bodily harm. These rules must be followed without exception.

1. No fueling in garages/paddock during the race. Fuel on Pit Road only where we can see you and call rescue if needed
2. Do not store fuel in the garages or buildings
3. Leaking jugs are a fire hazard. Fix them before the race. Note that unsafe jugs will be disallowed
4. Note the new catch pan rules (2017 Rules)
5. Ignition must be OFF before fueling
6. **Full fire gear and helmet for everyone over the wall during fueling. All face shields down. NO SNEAKERS!**
7. Only ONE fuel bottle in the pit box at a time. No staging of fuel bottle on hot pits
8. 4 crew/1 driver max in the pit box per team including the Fireman with 10 lb. ABC fire bottle standing ready
9. Fireman should be approx 10 ft. from fuel port, facing oncoming traffic if possible. Do not get too close.
10. No working on car with gas cap off, no tire pressure or tire temps, no staging jacks, tires or tools. CoolShirt, driver water and radio adjustments are allowed
11. Use catch pans with absorbent, clean up all spills IMMEDIATELY. Over pour from the catch pan will be disposed of properly
12. There is no minimum time on pit road. However, showing up at Black Flag not ready to go on track = penalty

RACING RULES

Read the 2017 WRL rules posted on www.RaceWRL.com. Sorry, but ignorance of a rule is not an excuse. The info in this section is in addition to, or to reinforce, the published rules.

1. **NOTE: Per the 2017 rules you must have your own transponder. Please contact us in advance if you have any issues obtaining or property mounting you transponder.**
2. **Race will be counter clockwise**
3. Race clock will run continuously from Green Flag. Checkered flag will be shown to the lead car on its first lap through Start/Finish after time expires.
4. WRL Grid: Cars should be placed on pit road in a double-wide formation (one in pit box, the other in the Right pit road lane parallel to the pit box), leaving a lane between each pair of cars, no later than 30 minutes prior to race start. Cars not gridded and ready to start on time will be bypassed.
5. Start: Double-wide rolling start behind pace car. Field set by class - no qualifying. Grid order is GTO, GP1, GP2, GP3, GP4
6. Pace Car: Any time the pace car is on track with lights on, drivers will follow the pace car wherever it goes (including on to pit road), unless you get a waive-by by the Pace car driver or a course marshal. **DO NOT** follow the Pace Car onto pit road if the strobe lights are off, unless you intend to pit.
7. Driving stints: Each driver on the team must drive at least 1 hour during the race. Each driver must rest/sit out for at least 1 hour between driving stints. There is no maximum stint limit. 2 driver minimum for this event
8. Headlights: Not required
9. Sound limit: 103 dbA, and you must have some form of muffler (see the rules)
10. **Car to car contact: Contact is not permitted. All drivers must allow each other racing room at all times, give the cars around you a lane to race in.**
 - a. Cars involved in contact may be Black Flagged regardless of fault
 - b. Drivers causing or initiating contact may be placed on probation
 - c. Causing contact that results in any car being towed in will result in probation and a driver change
 - d. Intentional or malicious contact will result in permanent removal from the series.
 - e. No bump drafting
11. Passing Rules: It is your responsibility to execute a safe, clean pass. WRL Passing rules in order of priority are:
 - a. The car initiating the pass must plan and execute a safe pass.
 - b. All cars must allow each other racing room on the racing surface (a lane to race in)
 - c. The overtaking car must establish position alongside the car being passed before the turn-in
 - d. If you are being passed, hold your line and be predictable. Give a point by if you plan to go off-line
 - e. Dive-bombing does not qualify as "planning and executing a safe pass". Blocking other cars does not qualify as "holding your line and being predictable". Both are a Black Flag offense.
12. BLOWN MOTORS/DRIVETRAINS AND OIL - Expect that if you oil down the track, you may receive a bill for oil dry and treatment of the surface. If you blow a motor, trans or diff - **SAFELY GET OFF OF THE RACING SURFACE IMMEDIATELY!** Please do not make us shut down the event because you spread oil a half mile down the track.
13. RED FLAG - There may be issues where we have to stop the race or bring everyone in on pit road. Please note:
 - a. Red Flag: Come to a SAFE stop on either side of the racing surface. Remember there may be cars behind you, give them time to react. All work on pit road and in the garages comes to a stop, no exceptions. Pace car will pick up the leader and bring the field on to pit road. Cars will park on pit road, no work of any kind will be allowed. Drivers may exit the car. Race Stewards will advise teams on status.
 - b. Black flag - ALL: All stations will display a black flag. All cars will exit the track on that lap unless Pit Road is closed. No passing. Follow the instructions of the race stewards.

DAMAGES TO PROPERTY

You will be responsible for damage you cause to the facility, both on and off the track. This is generally not an issue but you are being advised of track and WRL policy. Note that damages are easily avoidable by staying on track and following WRL rules.

AWARDS

1. All teams entered may earn a WRL trophy by finishing 1st-3rd in any of the classes in each race
2. Trophies and other awards will be presented on pit road after the race. Podium cars will impound on pit road, stewards will pull out cars for dyno testing and weight at their discretion.
3. Other awards will be presented as appropriate including contingencies, participation and other recognition
4. NOTE THE NEW POINTS SYSTEM FOR THOSE INTERESTED IN SEASON CHAMPIONSHIPS

LOAD OUT

WRL continually gets positive feedback from tracks about how polite and professional our teams are on and off of the track. Please help us keep that reputation! When you leave the track - please leave your pit, paddock and garage space free of debris, spills, car parts and trash. If it came in with you, it leaves with you. Respect the facility and what it means to motorsports, ensure that you and WRL are invited back.

Leave no trace that we were ever there!

MISC

RVs and CAMPING

To be updated

GUESTS/PUBLIC ACCESS

Guests may attend on a pit pass for the weekend. \$5/person at the gate starting at 6a Saturday, proceeds go to the local Lions Club.

TEAM GUESTS

Non-crew may not be on the hot pits (pit road). Please have guests stay in the cold pits, paddock or other "spectator areas" as designated by the facility. Unless otherwise directed by signage or staff, all guest vehicles should be parked in spectator parking or on the pavement.

Order Gulf Racing Fuel for this race or for any other application and Gulf will deliver it to you at the track. Teams earn \$1 off a future race entry for every gallon purchased. See the order form on the website at www.racewrl.com/2017-schedule

RULES OF THE ROAD

As a road racer in World Racing League you are expected to know and understand the Rules of the Road. Violation of these rules may result in Black Flag penalty, probation and/or ejection from the series.

1. **Passing:** You are responsible for planning and executing a safe, clean pass. Give others Racing Room.
2. **Being passed:** Hold your line, be predictable. Give a point-by if possible. Give others Racing Room.
3. **Racing Room:** Give the other cars around you enough room on the paved surface to safely maneuver their car without coming into contact or leaving the racing surface. In other words, everyone gets a lane to race in.
4. **Passing under Yellow:** There is no "giving back" an illegal pass. Pass under yellow will be penalized.
5. **Spin:** Once you lose control of your car, engage the brake and the clutch until the car comes to a complete stop. DO NOT allow your car to roll across the track.
6. **Two- and Four-wheels off:** Lift, steer straight and bring the car back onto the racing surface gently and predictably. No sudden brake or steering inputs.
7. **Re-entry:** after spinning or leaving the racing surface, you are responsible for clearing traffic before re-entering the race.
8. **Mechanical failure:** Immediately move your car off-line. If your car will not make it to pit road, make sure you do not stop on track or on the racing line, especially apexes and track out areas.
9. **Emergency vehicles (EV):** You may pass EVs safely, single-file, on the opposite side of the track. Look for hand signals from the EV. You may not pass another vehicle while also passing an EV.
10. **Dive-bombing:** Attempting to pass another car by out-braking them into the corner and taking the inside line/apex away at the last second. This is a Black Flag offense, especially if other cars have to alter their line to avoid you. See "Who owns the line" below.
11. **Blocking:** Altering your line with the expressed intent to prevent a faster car from passing. Altering your line once is racing, altering it multiple times with faster traffic behind is blocking which is a Black Flag offense.

Who owns the line?

No one "owns" the racing line. You own the space your car currently occupies. As a general rule in turns, if a car has established position next to the other car at or before turn-in, both cars will give each other racing room. This applies whether the car is on the outside, inside, middle, etc. WRL considers a car having "position" in relationship to another car if its front axle is in front of the other car's rear axle. THIS MEANS that if you come into contact with another car and there is a donut forward of your rear wheel, chances are that he or she had established position.

Flags: You are responsible for knowing and heeding flags. In particular:

- Standing yellow - caution, incident off of the racing surface, beware. No passing
- Waving yellow - SLOW DOWN! Incident on the racing surface. Extreme caution. No passing
- No passing under yellow from the first station displaying the yellow flag until you pass the incident AND do not see a yellow flag at the next manned station.
- Red flag - come to a safe, controlled stop on one side of track and await further instruction.
- Open black - report to Black Flag Station immediately. Do not send teammates to the Black Flag station, do not stop in the pits or paddock before stopping at Black Flag.
- Black Flag All (All stations) - all cars off course, follow the car in front of you onto Pit Road. No passing.
- White – EV or slow vehicle on course, pass with care single file, give wide berth and be safe. WRL takes buzzing the EV's very seriously.

WRL records drivers' on-track behavior in a database. This is your racing license. We use the data to identify habitual abusers because we value your safety, your equipment and the integrity of WRL and the sport in general. Do not argue with the stewards, they are following instructions of the chief steward based on information received from corner workers, safety crews and other race officials. If a worker or official sees something it will get called. If they miss something, you got away with one.

If you see unsafe or unsportsmanlike behavior on track, feel free to report it to officials. While we do not penalize based on reports from other racers, we WILL pay specific attention to the team or driver in question. Again, this is for safety and the integrity of WRL. This is not entry-level budget racing. We intend to preserve the reputation of clean, professional racing that you helped build!

RACE PRACTICE NOTES

We will run four, 50-minute open sessions. Pit Road will be open for driver changes, tire checks etc.

NO WORKING ON CAR ON PIT ROAD.

If you are bringing a race car, please make sure your logbook is current.

If you are bringing a car that does not have a log book, please fill out the form below and bring it to check in.

All cars will have a practice sticker on the windshield.

All drivers will have a practice wristband.

No one will go on track unless they have signed the waiver and meet WRL's driver qualifications.

Partial day or single session entries are not available.

THIS IS RACE PRACTICE, NOT A RACE. Any overly aggressive driving (i.e. div bombing, blocking, chopping, etc) will result in the offending car being removed from the track immediately.

Cars going 4 wheels off, or spinning will report to black flag.

Car-to-car contact will result in car and driver being retired for the day.

Keep it clean, please respect everyone on track, use care and save your car for the race....

THANK YOU!



INSPECTION SHEET

Driver Name:		Car Number:	Car color:
Car Year:	Car Make:	Car Model:	

Helmet: SA 2010 or 2015 rated helmet. No cracks; chin strap in good condition.
Rollover protection: Original roof, factory ROPS (rollover protection system) or roll bar. Top of helmet must be >1" below the roll bar/ROPS protection area with driver seated in normal driving position
3-point factory seat belts or 4+ point harness in good condition, no fraying, weathering or stretching evident
No loose exterior panels on body or undercarriage, chassis must be structurally sound
No cracks in windshield that impair vision or that extend from one side to any other
A minimum of two rear view mirrors that offer a clear view of traffic approaching from the rear
Gas cap seals properly
All fluids recently changed and topped off. No leaks
Front and rear suspension in good condition, including boots, ball joints, seals, bushings, struts. No excessive wear or play. No damage to mounting points, pivots or perches
No excessive play in steering, no binding. Rack or ball securely mounted, tie rod ends in good condition
Throttle return operates properly
Exhaust in good condition with gasses exiting aft of the driver's seat back
Drive belts in good condition
Electrical system in good overall condition
Brake rotors show no signs of excessive wear or damage. Brake pads at 40% or more. All brake lights operational
Brake fluid flushed once per year. Recommend high performance fluid to prevent boiling (ex. Motul RBF600)
Tires in good condition - no cracks, cuts, cords showing, separation or blisters. Speed rated appropriate tires. Sufficient tread thickness and appropriate inflation (Novice group may not use R-comp or race slicks)
No missing lug nuts. Lug nuts properly torqued
Wheel bearings: Proper and free rotation. No looseness in hub.
Battery positively secured

In consideration of my participation in this event for myself and additional drivers, I have checked the above items and certify that they meet or exceed the requirements. I agree to indemnify and hold harmless the organizers of this event, their agents, sponsors, partners, heirs and assigns with respect to responsibility for the condition and preparation of my car, or any subsequent mechanical failures or resulting damage to my car and for injuries to its occupants or others as a result, direct or indirect, of any such failures. I acknowledge that at all times I remain solely responsible for the safety and road-worthiness of my car, and that I am not relying upon this inspection as the sole or primary basis for deciding to enter this car in this event. I hereby declare and certify that I have no physical or mental conditions which could jeopardize myself or others if I participate in this event.

ALL OF THE ITEMS ON THIS TECHNICAL INSPECTION SHEET HAVE BEEN INSPECTED OR SERVICED AS NECESSARY TO MEET THE MINIMUM STANDARDS SET FORTH HEREIN. The tech inspector's signature below does not imply compliance with the above requirements. It serves only as witness to the driver's signature that warrants compliance.

Driver's Signature:	Date:
Inspector Signature:	Inspector Name or Shop
	Date: