

PDC Racing Track Day #38 @ Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, Monterey, CA.

Wednesday, March 9th, 2016

What?

PDC Racing brings to you, a select track junkie, another 1-day self help/group fix!

We have had fantastic luck weather-wise with PDC events at Laguna this time of the year and I expect 2016 to be no different!

Where/When?

We have rented Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca for the day on Wednesday, March 9th, providing lapping between the hours of 9:00am and 4:30pm with alternating A and B run groups. Gates open at 7:00am.

There is a **mandatory** 8:30am Drivers Meeting!

Please sign up for either the A or B run groups, which are required since Laguna Seca has a max-cars-on-track policy. If we end up with enough attrition over the course of the day, I will relax the run groups. But otherwise expect roughly 7 x 30 minute on-track sessions.

Where Should I Stay?

No hotel arrangements have been made for this event.

How Much?

This is a one-price deal at \$350/car. Please do not wait until the last minute to register as it drives my blood pressure up. This event is limited to 70 cars, which would be an attendance record by about 15 cars and is therefore highly unlikely.

Each car receives 7 x 30 minute sessions. You must choose either Group A or Group B when you register, as we will be running two run groups due to Laguna's cars-on-track limitations.

Laguna requires car numbers. MotorsportReg.com will require to you choose a unique car number when you register. Numbers are first-come, first served, so someone may well have snaked your number before you got to it – choose something else. You must have legible numbers on each side of your car when you enter the track.

Sharing cars is permitted but varies depending on how you want to split up the track time. If you want to share a run group slot, only one driver needs to register/pay. If you each want a run group slot, each of you must register/pay.

EVERY DRIVER AND PASSENGER must sign the waiver! NO EXCEPTIONS!
Going out on track, whether as a driver or as a passenger, without signing the waiver is grounds for immediate ejection from the event with no refund.

This is a 92db day. No refunds will be given for failing Laguna's 3 Strikes sound policy!

We are building in the cost of the tow truck and offsetting it with a fee of \$50 per tow. Hopefully over time this will allow us to reduce the towing fee.

What's The Cancellation Policy?

The revised, Left-Wing cancellation policy is working well, so we'll continue it. You may cancel via MotorsportReg.com **at no charge with full refund** up to two weeks before the event date. Due to this kinder, gentler cancellation policy, you are encouraged to register for the event NOW and cancel later if you need to.

The cancellation deadline for this event is the end of the day on Feb 24, 2016.

Note: your registration must be set to Cancelled in MotorsportReg.com to receive a refund. **Sending me an email is not sufficient – you must cancel in MSR as well.** You can cancel your registration from the MotorsportReg.com Dashboard.

RULES!

General:

- 1) You, and anyone you bring along, **must** sign the waiver! No exceptions!

- 2) Everyone **must** wear at least an SA2005/M2005 helmet while on the track. **This is the last event for SA2005 helmets as the SA2015 helmets are arriving this spring.** Go shopping for 2016 head-protecting fashion soon.
- 3) You are responsible for the mechanical soundness of your car. It should have passed a BMWCCA, PCA, NASA, or equivalent tech inspection in the last 3 months.
- 4) One passenger is allowed in the car with you (helmeted), provided they have signed the waiver.
- 5) Clothing: Per Laguna Seca's requirements. Suitable footwear/socks is required (training/driving shoes, preferably not synthetic).
- 6) **Positively no alcohol and/or drugs allowed. NO EXCEPTIONS.**
- 7) No convertibles without roll protection. Factory roll protection is acceptable, but not even remotely preferred. **The track's minimum rollover standards must be met in all cases.** Contact Laguna Seca Raceway directly if you need more information on this important topic.
- 8) No open-wheel cars. Closed-wheel cars such as SRF's are fine.
- 9) Fire truck and tow truck are pay-as-you-go. Bring a checkbook or cash. Towing is \$50 per tow (payable to a PDC event organizer) and fire truck fees are the actual expenses incurred (payable to the fire extinguishing provider).
- 10) The 8:30am Driver's Meeting is **mandatory**. If you don't make the meeting, you **must** talk to Mark Dadgar before going on-track. Please have a truly spectacular excuse prepared.

Car Maintenance:

Car maintenance is your responsibility! Please make sure that you are keeping up with regular maintenance items (ie radiators and water pumps on BMW's, etc). On-track failures cost everyone track time while we tow the car in and clean up any fluids, so let's limit these types of events to unforeseen, random failures. **Remember: you will now be billed for cleanup expenses assessed by the track.**

On-Track:

Note: We will have a combination of both driver experience and car performance. The rules are designed to ensure group safety. The MOST IMPORTANT THING is that everyone goes home the same way they arrived, just a lot more tired and happy!

- 1) **Bad and/or dangerous driving will end your day without a refund, no exceptions!** The PDC event organizers reserve the right to decide what is "bad and/or dangerous driving." Do not argue with them.
- 2) Open Track/Open Passing as usual
- 3) It is your responsibility to observe and obey any flags, flag workers, or their orders
- 4) Last-minute issues will be covered at the 8:30am Driver's Meeting. Attendance at Drivers Meeting is **mandatory**. If you don't attend, you don't drive!

Passing Rules:

- 1) “open passing” anywhere that it is safe.
- 2) if the lead car has an “X” somewhere on its rear end, then passing that car is by “point-by” from the lead car only. Note that 1 point-by is good for one car, so each passing car must be pointed by separately
 - i. If you pass an X car without a point-by, you **WILL** be black-flagged.
Don’t do this.
- 3) It is the responsibility of the passing car to execute the pass safely
- 4) Line Ownership: we run a modified SCCA rule for taking ownership of the line. When passing on entry into a turn, the passing car must be **AT LEAST** abreast (mirror-to-mirror) of the car being passed **BEFORE** entering the braking zone for the upcoming turn in order to take ownership of the line. Otherwise any passing in the corner must occur off-line if at all.

LIABILITY

We the organizers, and/or Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca, are not liable for pretty much anything. You, by attending this event, and signing our Waiver, assume full liability for the consequences of your participation. **READ THE WAIVER. IF YOU DONT SIGN, YOU DONT DRIVE.**

This event is run as a group of individuals. There is no sanctioning body. Think of it as an open test day. Your responsibility for damage, injury or death rests solely with you. If you cannot participate under these circumstances, do not sign up. By signing up, you agree to these terms.

Note also that the insurance we are required to purchase when renting the track is hardly comprehensive. Therefore, you are responsible for your own car/medical insurance.

HOW DO I SIGN UP?

We are handling sign-ups on-line with the MotorsportReg.com event management system. This allows you to pay on-line by credit card! **A MotorsportReg.com login is required to register for PDC events.**

Please make sure you complete your profile in the MotorsportReg.com system, including address, contact information, emergency contact info, etc. *This is very important.*

1. Go to:

msreg.com/pdc0316

If you do not have a MotorsportReg login, create one.

2. Complete registration for the PDC Racing event at Laguna Seca on 3/9/16. **Paying online is required to complete registration.** This makes life much easier for me. To make life easier for YOU, your credit card will not be charged until shortly before the event. MotorsportReg.com accepts VISA/MasterCard and electronic checks.

Each driver **must** sign a copy of the waiver at the event before going on-track. I will have spares at the event for drivers sharing cars.

If you are sharing a car, only the first driver of the car needs to register using MotorsportReg.com. The other driver merely needs to sign the waiver at the track. **However, the registrant is responsible for making sure that all members of their party sign the waiver if they go out on track – we reserve the right to shut you down and send you home if this rule is broken.**

WHAT ABOUT EVENT CANCELLATIONS/REFUNDS?

Unless Mazda Raceway Laguna Seca cancels on us, the event will happen. If Laguna Seca cancels and refunds us, the refund we receive will be divided equally amongst the participants. Otherwise, do not expect a refund for any reason if the cancellation deadline has passed.

If you sign up and the cancellation deadline has passed and you do not attend or participate for any reason, you are still liable for the full cost of your participation. For this reason, you are COMMITTED to your share of the costs when the cancellation deadline has passed. No exceptions.