









# **2023 - ROAD ATLANTA** Written Meeting Notes

### MISSION FOODS ATLANTA SPEEDTOUR

March 23-26, 2023

NOTE: This event is HOSTED BY SVRA. SVRA paddock rules apply, please see <a href="https://svra.com/events/2023-atlanta-speedtour/">https://svra.com/events/2023-atlanta-speedtour/</a>

THIS EVENT is a spectator event - FRP Races will be live streamed.

Details to follow.

FRP has 2 FRP only Run Groups, operating under FRP rules Run by FRP Stewards & staff.

- F1600 & F1600 Masters Sessions are: P, Q, R1, R2, R3
- Atlantic, F2000, & F1000 Sessions are: P1, P2, Q, R1, R2

TEST DAY - Thursday March 23rd: hosted & run by SVRA Staff - operated under SVRA Rules.

Register for the test day by Sunday 3/19 11:59pm, or incur the SVRA \$150 late fee. msreg.com/-ROAD-ATLANTA

MANDATORY TEST DAY DRIVERS' MEETING: Thursday - 8:00am at the Series rig.

MANDATORY DRIVERS' MEETING: Drivers meeting will be held Friday, March 24th 12:30pm at the Series rig. This meeting is Mandatory for ALL driver's even if you attended the Test Day Mandatory Meeting.

#### **LOAD-IN**

FRP will be in the PRO-Paddock - FRP LOAD-IN will start **Wednesday, March 22nd at 1:00pm**. **Stage** inside the track behind and above the Pro paddock. FRP Staff will be on site and direct load-in.

## **FRP At Track Registration:**

Hours: Wednesday in the paddock during Load-in; Thursday & Friday am at the Series Rig.

**EVERYONE** must sign the PMH Annual Waiver (in addition to any track specific waiver) Do this NOW. **PMH Waiver Link** is: **Click HERE** 

ALL participants — <u>desiring hot pit access</u> MUST BE a member of SCCA. <u>https://www.scca.com</u>

#### Bring Proof of SCCA Membership with you to the track.

Guests or Crew may participate in FRP events without being an SCCA member, but **will not be** allowed in hot pit areas. Anyone found in a hot pit area without proper credentials will be fined (\$500), and this fine will accrue to the associated team.

You can also find Links, instructions & forms to all applications on each of our Series "For Competitors Page" on the FRP website - www.RaceFRP.com

## **DRIVER NOTES**

**BE EARLY TO THE GRID:** We will have FRP staff at the grid.

EXCEPT for races — All sessions will be gridded in the order of arrival to the grid.

For Races, if multiple cars arrive with minutes left before release, they may not be placed in their assigned grid spot. Be early!

**PACE CAR**: Pace car and pace car driver is being provided by SVRA. We will request the pace car to pace the field at 55mph.

**SCHEDULE**: Stay alert for schedule changes. Official Schedule changes will be announced on the FRP radio frequency. If time allows, this may be followed up with an email blast. This weekend includes SVRA and Trans Am, and as a result schedule changes may happen, and happen guickly.

## NOTE ABOUT SESSION START TIMES LISTED ON THE SCHEDULE

The start times listed on the schedule are **GREEN FLAG times**. For a Qualifying session the Green Flag is shown at the start of the session. For a Race session the Green Flag is shown at the start of the race after a pace lap. Please take this into consideration when planning your arrival time to the grid. Please present the car and driver at the grid, 10 minutes before the listed Green Flag time for races. Road Atlanta has a tight/full schedule. If the track is clear, we likely will roll early off the grid!!!

#### **RACE STARTS:**

- 1. No tire scrubbing in Pit Lane.
- 2. Pace Car speed will be approximately 55-60 MPH.
- 3. Start formation is 2 x 2 as determined by qualifying times.
- 4. Lights out on Pace Car signals form up 2 x 2.
- 5. Creating a gap to the pace car or another competitor is not permitted. All cars must maintain pace car speed until Green Flag is displayed.
- 6. If the start is waved off double yellow flags will be displayed and NO START announced to teams over series radio frequency. Cars to reform for 2x2 start next time by.
- 7. Passing is allowed when green flag is displayed.

#### RESTARTS:

- 1. Safety Car speed will be approximately 55-60 MPH.
- 2. Lights out on Pace Car signals "green flag this time by".
- 3. Creating a gap to the safety car or another competitor is not permitted
- 4. Single file when Safety Car pulls off the leader controls the pace there is no passing until the green flag is displayed.
- 5. If the start is waved off double yellow flags will be displayed and NO START announced to teams over series radio frequency.

Pit Lane speed limit is 40 MPH Paddock Speed is Walking

**DISABLED ON THE TRACK:** To avoid session stoppages, please try and get your car to a safe place. If another race car can reach you, **stay belted in your car** until help arrives and directs you to exit the driver's compartment. Needless to say, this does not apply if you happen to be on fire.

Visor up is the signal driver is OK after incident. Additionally, if you can make eye contact with the corner marshal, give them a "thumbs up" signal.

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**RADIO FREQUENCY**: FRP requires all teams to monitor our Series Frequency and the ability to communicate with their drivers from Pit Lane. FRP has transitioned to digital radios and SpeedCom is our official radio sponsor. Our digital radio frequency is 469.4625 with CC 7.

#### **VIDEO CAMERA's:**

- Competitors who choose to use video cameras should start each race weekend with a "clean" MICRO SD card, so only the current weekend video files will be on the card. It is strongly encouraged that your camera's time and date is accurately set.
- Stewards requests to review on track incidents are mandatory and you must submit full length complete videos of the entire session.
- Please see FRP PRR for procedure for filing an official protest.

**DRIVER CONDUCT:** Driver's must review FRP's 2023 Pro Racing Regulations, in particular, Paragraph 1.6.17 Driving Conduct.

#### **BLOCKING:**

See online – "http://safeisfast.com/video/defending-vs-blocking/" – excellent discussion on blocking vs. defending. Abrupt changes in direction that impede or affect the path of another car attempting to overtake or pass may be interpreted as an effort to deprive a fellow competitor of the right to racing room.

#### PODIUM:

Top three overall and top three masters from F1600, top three F2000 finishers, top three Atlantic 016 class & top three Atlantic Open class are to proceed from the track directly to the scales without stopping in Pit Lane (unless having an emergency). Once cars are weighed, Tech will release drivers to attend Podium celebrations. **Podium location TBD** 

IMPOUND – F1600, F1600 Masters, F2000, FA Open Spec 016, and FA Restricted Spec Post Qualifying – Top 5 to report to Impound.
 Post all Races – Top 3 overall to report to Impound after the race.

Chief of Tech may choose additional cars by notifying team in pit lane.

**ADMITTANCE TO HOT PIT AREA:** All crew and visitors who will be in the Hot Pit Area are required to register with FRP. This requires you to be a member of the SCCA. If you are not a member you need to join the SCCA prior to the event and show your SCCA credentials to FRP registration. NO CREW OR VISITOR WILL BE PERMITTED IN THE HOT PIT AREA WITHOUT THE APPROPRIATE REGISTRATION AND ARM BAND. **Drivers may be fined \$500.00 for having crew or visitors** entering the Hot Pit area without the appropriate arm band.

### Shorts are NOT allowed in the "HOT PITS".

**LOAD-IN:** Wednesday, March 22<sup>nd</sup> at 1:00 PM, and Thursday am. Series will direct/park all rigs. **Stage** inside the track behind and above the Pro paddock.

**PADDOCK NOTE**: We are in the Pro Paddock along with Trans Am. Paddock space available to FRP will be limited and we expect a full paddock. Please be patient as FRP, Trans AM, and SVRA work to fit you in. Per SVRA, there can be no saving of spaces, no "reserved" spaces, no crew vehicles or motorhomes in the paddock, and no paddock spaces with power are available.

**TEST DAY NOTE:** SVRA is hosting and operating the additional test day on Thursday, March 23rd. FRP competitors Are ALL together in GROUP E, and have 3 - 30 min sessions. Test Day sessions will operate under SVRA rules, run by SVRA staff. Cars without the SVRA Test Day sticker will not be allowed to enter the track.

Register for the test day by Sunday 3/19 11:59pm, or incur the SVRA \$150 late fee. msreg.com/-ROAD-ATLANTA

TRACK ACCESS: Gates at ROAD ATLANTA are open 24 hours a day starting Thursday.

**TIRE DECLARATION:** FRP rule 3.4 (FA) requires tires to be properly declared by the competitor.

All tires must be purchased through the HOOSIER FACTORY AT-TRACK provider. Hoosier will place a unique purple identification mark on the tires. It is the competitor's responsibility to obtain the unique yellow stamp applied to their tires by a Formula Race Promotions Tech official prior to any qualifying or race. Tech will make an effort to visit teams in the paddock, but it is suggested teams bring tires to the Scale/Impound area for stamping.

#### MANDATORY SPEC FUEL:

All entrants please be advised the only legal fuel to be used at the ROAD ATLANTA event Friday, March 24 through Sunday, March 26, 2023, will be:

- F2000 Zetec powered cars and F1600 Honda Fit powered cars requiring 93 octane unleaded fuel: the 93 octane unleaded fuel sold by Road Atlanta at the track is required.
- F2000 Pinto powered cars and F1600 Kent powered cars: the required fuel is EITHER the VP110 leaded fuel supplied by Road Atlanta at the track, OR the 93 octane unleaded fuel sold by Road Atlanta at the track. F1600 Ford Kent powered cars are also permitted to use 100LL Aviation Fuel (Competitor Supplied) that is unmodified or treated in any manner
- Atlantics requiring 110 octane fuel: Either the VP110 Octane leaded fuel supplied by Road Atlanta at the track, OR Sunoco 260GT Unleaded fuel is required. Sunoco 260GT Unleaded is not available at Road Atlanta and must be provided by the competitor.
- Atlantics requiring 116 octane fuel: 116 octane fuel is not available at Road Atlanta and must be provided by the competitor.

## **FLAGS**

The following flags shall be the official method to communicate with competitors during all practice, qualifying and race sessions. Flags are divided into two groups: Advisory and Mandatory Compliance:

#### MISSING a Mandatory Compliance Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine.

Flag	Advisory Flags
	Displayed by the starter, signals the beginning or resumption of a session.  FRP does NOT use a green flag, following a yellow caution area/incident. Racing resumes after an incident. No passing is from the yellow to after the incident that caused the yellow flag.
	Competitor warning displayed with number board. Shown at start/finish. Use proper driving conduct.
	Warns competitors that faster cars are approaching or a following car may be in their blind spot. Use caution and sportsmanship, allow racing room per FRP's PRR Article <b>1.6.17.4</b> , and do not make abrupt changes in direction.
M	Caution, the racing surface may be affected by fluids or debris.
	Caution, you are approaching a slow moving vehicle.  WHITE WAVED at START/FINISH Indicates the last lap of a competition.
	WHITEWITHREDDIAGONALATSTART/FINISH: Emergency vehicles are on course.
Flag	Mandatory Compliance Flags — MISSING a Mandatory Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine.
	Black Flag All - Qualifying & Practice Sessions: A Black Flag is displayed at all stations, indicates that all competitors must return to the pits in an orderly, controlled fashion - No Racing. Passing is OK.
	Black Flag All - <u>Under Race Circumstances</u> : is to be considered the same as a Red Flag NO PASSING IS ALLOWED.  A Black Flag all, under race circumstances, may, or may not, also be accompanied by a red flag.
#21	Black Flag with Number Board: A Black Flag is shown with competitors number from start/finish and designated station(s) on the circuit. Summons competitor to officials in pit lane for consultation and/or penalty.  Competitor to comply on the next approach to pit entry.
	Informs competitor of a mechanical problem that may endanger the driver or other competitors. Shown with number board from start/ finish and designated station(s) on the circuit. Report immediately to assigned pit at reduced speed. The car may not rejoin the session until released by an FRP Official.
	<b>RED FLAG during a Race:</b> The session has been stopped. <b>NO PASSING IS ALLOWED.</b> Use caution, be prepared to stop, and proceed immediately to pit lane. Be prepared to encounter complete track blockage; if so park as far to the side of the track as possible, and proceed to the pits only when directed.  Upon entering the pits, cars shall line up in the Fast Lane in the order they entered pit lane.
	Any YELLOW flag denotes a "no passing" zone. This zone starts at a perpendicular line across the track from the flag and ends at a perpendicular line across the track from the last component of the incident causing the yellow flag. The last component may be the car, driver, responding officials, other vehicles and/or large debris. Racing resumes after the incident.
	YELLOW, STANDING (STATIONARY): Use caution, however the incident is (should be) off the racing surface. There may be danger to you if you leave the racing surface. Have your car under complete control. Go through the no passing zone in single file. Expect a penalty if you lose control in the no passing zone, or if you are determined to have passed another car in the zone.
	YELLOW, WAVING: Use extreme caution. You are approaching an incident that has all or a portion of the racing surface blocked. You may have to change your line. You must be prepared to stop. Have your car under complete control. Go through the no passing zone in single file. Expect a penalty if you lose control in the no passing zone, or if you are determined to have passed another car in the zone.
	<b>NOTE:</b> You may encounter several yellow flags prior to reaching the incident. Passing is not permitted between the first yellow flag and the incident that caused the yellow flag. See the definition of the no passing zone above.
	YELLOW, DOUBLE: The flags will be displayed at all stations. Full course caution, slow down, use caution, no passing anywhere on the circuit. This may be used with or without a safety car. However in nearly all cases a safety car will be used. Gather in single file behind the safety car or the leader and prepare for a restart. The course remains under the full-course yellow condition until a green flag is displayed at start/finish.
<b>XX</b>	Signals the completion of practice, qualifying or race. All cars shall exit the course once they have passed start/finish and received the checkered flag. — Missing a Checkered Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine, per lap —