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HOD is committed to always running events with SAFETY as our number one goal. HOD communicates reasonable expectations of our participants, then provides active monitoring to insure that all are being held accountable to those expectations.

In light of the COVID-19 situation, HOD has developed an event plan that substantially mitigates the risk associated with the virus - but NO plan is perfect. We will do everything we can to manage a safe event but cannot guarantee 100% safety – as there is some risk in simply driving to the gas station.

Here are a list of standards and practices that will be implemented at HOD events nationally for the foreseeable future. As venues are all different, there will be minor modifications to each event based on logistics and the physical layout of each track and paddock.

1. Anyone who has registered for an HOD event, but is not feeling well, has a cough or fever the day before or of the event, is required to notify HOD and disclose this fact and stay home with a full refund provided.
2. Only paid participants and immediate family, plus essential support staff are allowed at this event. No spectators will be admitted.
3. Some venues may take temperatures with touchless thermometers upon entry.
4. HOD’s eSignature waiver and tech form process eliminates a number of touch points and makes a zero contact check in process easy.
5. Participants are required to bring a face mask that fully covers mouth and nose, and wear it when out of the car on property. HOD will have a small supply of replacement masks if a personal mask is lost or damaged.
6. Social distancing will be enforced at all times during the event. This includes waiting in a line for check-in, meal service, resting between sessions, and meetings – whether standing or sitting. All will be done with 6’ distancing between participants.
7. Paddock parking will be a bit more spread out, as we will endeavor to use every other parking spot – allowing a blank space between each car. This will assure that 6’ spacing will be in force as folks ingress and egress their cars.
8. Meetings will be held outdoors in almost all cases with attendees socially distancing. Zoom meetings may be utilized by some HOD Regions in advance of the event.
9. We ask all participants to bring their own hydration.
10. Meals may or may not be provided on a case by case basis. If provided, they will be served by a caterer using all sanitary standards and the meal will be boxed or sealed.
11. HOD’s reputation as one of the best coaching/learning organizations will be continued without the use of in-car coaches. While there may be one-on-one coaches assigned, the coach will
work out of the car with the student while social distancing, providing lead-and-follow direction on track, or other means of instruction. These could include wireless communication, external observation, video, followed by socially distanced debriefs.

12. Passengers or coaches in car can be allowed if they are members of the same household or have verified daily contact.

13. HOD will collaborate with each venue to assure that cleanliness is maintained throughout the public access areas.

14. HOD will collaborate with track emergency and flag staff to assure that all customer contact follows appropriate protocols, and that track staff is properly equipped with PPE.

While this list seems somewhat daunting, please consider two things – there is nothing here that prevents you, the driver, from having an amazing time on track with HOD, see good friends and meet new ones. And this list of rules allows us to continue to enjoy the sport we love so much, while protecting one another so we can do it again soon!

Thanks! HOD Drivers – Please stay safe….and we’ll See YOU at the Track Soon!!!