

# **Palm Tree Winter Majors**

Florida Region
January 8 - 10, 2016
Homestead-Miami Speedway
GPS Address: 1 Ralph Sanchez Speedway Blvd., Homestead, FI 33035
Sanction #16-M-4042-S

# SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS

This event is governed by the 2016 General Competition Rules (GCR) and Category Specifications, as amended for 2016 per "FasTrack".

**FREE ENTRY GIVEAWAY:** A free entry will be awarded to one driver registering for the event a minimum of 14 days prior to the weekend. Driver name will be drawn at the event party on Saturday night.

**REGISTRATION:** Drivers can register for the race online at <a href="www.dlbracing.com">www.dlbracing.com</a>. Drivers without internet access may request a paper entry form and mail it with their entry fees to the Chief Registrar:

**Lori Vitagliano**, Chief Registrar, 10282 Boca Entrada Blvd, Apt 232, Boca Raton, FL 33428. Phone: 561-654-3396 (before 9:00 pm)

Make checks payable to **Florida Region, SCCA**. A fee in the amount of \$25, will be charged for any check returned by the bank. A full refund will be made if the entry is withdrawn prior to Tech. If you preenter and are a no show, your check will be destroyed and any credit card payments will be credited back to your card. If you sign in at registration and do not go thru, or pass, Tech, you must notify the Chief of Registration, *BEFORE YOU LEAVE THE TRACK*, in order to receive your refund. Requests for refunds made after the event is over will be in the amount of the applicable entry fee less \$40. Phone/fax entries will not be accepted.

At-event Registration will be held in the Registration Building. Do not mail entries by any method that requires a signature upon delivery.

**U.S. MAJORS TOUR EXPRESS REGISTRATION:** A dedicated line will be available for drivers that present a 2016 U.S. Majors Tour Series Registration Card. U.S. Majors Tour Express Tech will also be available in the express line for those card holders that have a valid Annual Tech, 2016 Helmet sticker and no notations in their logbook. You must meet all three of these criteria to be eligible for the U.S. Majors Tour Express Tech. If eligible, you will only need to bring your logbook and helmet to Registration. If you do not meet one or more of these criteria, you will need to visit Tech located near Registration and/or inside the paddock near impound. **It is the driver's responsibility to ensure that his gear is in compliance with the GCR.** 

**ENTRY FEES**: Entry fee for the three-day weekend is \$650. Each SRF, SRF3 and FE entry will be charged an additional \$20.00 compliance fee per entry for the weekend. Garage space is available for rent on a first come first served basis for \$100.00.

**ENTRY FEE PAYMENT:** Drivers who complete their registration online, via the <a href="www.dlbracing.com">www.dlbracing.com</a> website, will have the option of paying by PayPal or credit card, at the time of registration. Entry fee payments for online registrants not received by the Registrar via <a href="www.dlbracing.com">www.dlbracing.com</a> may be paid at the track by check, money order or cash. Credit Card payment option is available only for those drivers/entrants who complete their registration and payment online, via the <a href="www.dlbracing.com">www.dlbracing.com</a> website. Credit cards will not be accepted for drivers submitting paper entries or for entries received at the track.

**TECH:** All drivers must present all driver gear as required by the GCR, vehicle logbook and completed tech card to TECH. If your car requires an annual tech you must also bring the car to Tech. Tech will be located inside the paddock near Impound.







**PASSES:** Each entry receives six (6) passes, INCLUDING THE DRIVER AND ENTRANT. Workers, guests, & crew must sign for their own passes and must arrive while registration is open.

SCCA members (non-participants) must present a valid membership card for admission. Workers and members are limited to one guest each. Worker license and membership card must be presented at registration.

**DRIVER ELIGIBILITY:** Drivers must be a current member of the SCCA and have a current SCCA Full Competition license or SCCA Pro license to participate in this event. If you do not have the proper credentials it is your responsibility to contact the Registrar prior to the event.

**CAR ELIGIBILITY:** Competition is open to all cars conforming to the GCR, as amended. ALL CARS ARE REQUIRED TO USE FULLY OPERATIONAL AMB TRANSPONDERS, and the driver is responsible for providing correct information to Timing & Scoring.

**DECALS:** A U.S. Majors Tour decal must be displayed on both sides of all competition vehicles. Competition vehicles must also display the official SafeRacer SCCA Club Racing decal per GCR section 9.3.29.C.

**COMPETITION NUMBERS:** Every effort will be made to honor Conference Preferred Numbers until 14 days prior to the event. Due to the make-up of the run groups, however, this may not be possible in all situations. If two drivers holding the same Preferred Number request that number for the same run group, the number will be assigned to the driver with the earliest request. Secondary preference will be given to 2015 SEDiv reserved number holders. 14 days prior to the event, all unused reserved numbers will be released on a first-come, first-served basis.

**SCALES:** Will be available at Tech Friday 10:00 am - 4:00 pm; Saturday and Sunday 8:00 am - 10:00 am. Scales may be available for other participants during race impound, but priority will be given to impounded cars. Scales may be made available at other times at the discretion of the Chief of Tech.

**DRIVERS MEETING**: A written drivers meeting may be provided at registration. <u>Impound All</u> will be given after each first qualifying session on Friday for a drivers meeting with the Series Race Director. A live drivers meeting will be held Friday at lunch time at the Media Center located in the center of the paddock, attendance is mandatory.

**EVENT SCHEDULE/RUN GROUPS**: The event schedule or run groups may only be changed at the discretion of the Series Race Director, with concurrence by the Event Chair, depending on pre-race entry counts or as needed to accommodate situations that may be encountered during the event. If changes are made prior to the start of the event, as much notice as possible will be given to all affected competitors. The schedule as published is for planning purposes only. Actual session start times may deviate from the published schedule based on actual event progression. Listen to the PA system and pay attention to what is happening on track.

**IMPOUND**: There will be an "impound all" after each first qualifying session on Friday for a drivers meeting with the Series Race Director. Saturday races: the top three competitors in each class shall report to impound immediately following the completion of their race. Sunday races: the top three competitors in each class shall report to impound immediately following completion of their race/victory lap and all other competitors are strongly encouraged to attend the podium festivities following their race. After any session additional cars may be directed to report to Impound at the discretion of the Series Race Director. Victory celebrations and awards ceremony will be conducted in the impound area following the Sunday races. Door prizes may be awarded at the conclusion of each group's podium ceremonies and you must be present to win.

**RADIO FREQUENCIES:** Florida Region operates on frequencies 464.5250 and 467.1376 MHz. These frequencies are guarded and shall not be used by any competitor or visitor. However, crew members are encouraged to monitor these frequencies to alert their driver of the communications.









**VICTORY LAPS**: Winners of all races will receive a checkered flag. For Sunday races only, following the cool down lap, the winner of each class should proceed immediately to pit central where they will receive a checkered flag and be directed on course for a single Victory Lap. Drivers need not wear their helmet or gloves during the victory lap and passengers are permitted in accordance with GCR 6.11.7. Drivers shall maintain a safe speed and be wary of safety vehicles which may be on course.

**GRID**: Starting positions for the Saturday race will be determined by the fastest time recorded for each car during the preceding qualifying session(s). Starting positions for the Sunday race will be determined by the fastest time recorded for each car during each of the preceding qualifying session(s) and their fastest lap during the Saturday race. Cars arriving at the grid after their group has been dispatched on track may, at the discretion of the Operating Steward, be held at pit out and released at the end of the pack after the field has completed the pace lap.

**QUALIFYING:** A driver not qualifying within a maximum of 115% of the recognized track record of their class must obtain permission from the Series Race Director in order to race. In the case of unusual circumstances, the Series Race Director can waive this rule for the entire event.

START/FINISH: The race will begin and end at the stripe in front of Timing and Scoring.

**SPLIT STARTS**: The Series Race Director will consider requests for split starts.

**RACE LENGTH**: Saturday races will be 25 minute timed races. Sunday races will be 22 laps or 40 minutes, whichever occurs first.

**SOUND CONTROL:** A maximum limit of 103 dB is not in effect for this event. For your information, sound readings may be posted at Timing & Scoring.

**DISABLED CARS**: Disabled or damaged cars may be removed from the course and delivered to a central location. If the car has sustained body/chassis damage it will be released to the driver/crew after tech has made appropriate notations in the vehicle log book. Cars disabled due to a mechanical failure will be released to the driver/crew immediately. If the car requires wrecker support to return to its paddock location, there may be a delay depending on the availability of wreckers or flat tows.

**CLOTHING:** Closed toed shoes and sleeved shirts are required on the grid and over the wall on pit lane. Crew members on pit lane must display their event credentials at all times while on pit lane.

PIT LANE: Pit lane speed shall not exceed 45 mph. Violators may be penalized.

**PACE/SAFETY CAR**: In addition to GCR 6.5.2.B & 6.6.2., the field shall follow the PACE/SAFETY car as long as its emergency lights are flashing, even if it varies from the normal race course. In the event a full course yellow results in dispatch of the safety car, the safety car will enter the racing surface at pit out or at Turn 8.

**INSURANCE:** Participant insurance will be provided in at least the minimum amounts required by the SCCA.

**RESULTS:** Live timing will be available during the event. Unless otherwise announced, live timing may be available via the Race Monitor App available for IPhone and Android phones. Qualifying, provisional and final results will be posted on the wall inside Timing & Scoring adjacent to Garage 15. Drivers may obtain a copy of the final results at the Winner's Circle. Additionally, final results will be posted to the Region's and SCCA websites no later than 7 days following the completion of the event.

**SPEC MIATA COMPLIANCE:** At the direction of the Class Compliance Chief at post-race inspection, Spec Miata participants may be directed to remove parts, including but not limited to the cylinder head, for disassembly and/or inspection. Competitors are responsible for performing required disassembly and/or reassembly of their car, as well as any resulting expenses incurred.









**AWARDS:** Trophies for all races will be awarded in accordance with the GCR. Majors points will be awarded for all races in accordance with the GCR.

**DATA ACQUISITION:** Majors staff and their delegates may install data acquisition equipment in a competitor's car. This program is to assist the CRB in performance balancing. If selected, participation is not optional and is not protestable. The data collected will not be used for compliance purposes.

**START TIMES:** For timed races, the clock starts when the green flag is displayed at the start of the race.

**COURSE:** Homestead-Miami Speedway is a 2.30 mile road course utilizing oval track turns 3 & 4. Any driver who puts a wheel over the line on driver's left on the front straight during a start or restart before turn one to better their position may be subject to a penalty as determined by the Chief Steward. White flag at all stations will be displayed for the first lap of the first practice and qualifying session for flag station identification.

**PADDOCK:** Parking regulations are hereby incorporated in these regulations by reference. Failure to follow the direction of the Paddock Marshal or her/his designate regarding paddock parking or activities may result in expulsion from the facilities.

**SOCIAL EVENT**: There will be a worker/competitor party at the conclusion of activities on Saturday.

**PROVISIONS:** Camping is allowed in the paddock on Thursday, Friday and Saturday nights. Water and electricity are available in limited areas of the paddock. A charge for electricity may be assessed. Do not park in spaces where electricity is provided if you do not intend to connect, as the electricity charge will be assessed whether you connect, or not. Fuel will be available at the track.

Water, food and non-alcoholic beverages are available at the facility.

Tires and other supplies may also be available, check in advance. Kumho Tire (Mike Taylor) (888) 775-8646 Goodyear Competition Tires South (386)-274-5332 Hoosier, Yokohama and Toyo Tires - Appalachian Race Tire (865) 681-6622

Racing safety equipment and supplies, Safe-Quip South (813) 643-7222. Wine Country Motorsports
Trackside Tim's (800) 247-4260.

BLACK FLAG: BLACK FLAG ALL and NUMBER BOARD DISPLAYED AT START/FINISH and TURN 8.

TRACK REGULATION: Speed limit in the paddock is 5 miles per hour.

**MEDICAL FACILITIES**: An ambulance is stationed between turns 6 & 7 and will also accommodate non-racing medical requirements.

**GENERAL RULES:** Skateboards, roller blades and other nonpowered wheeled devices are prohibited. Bicycles are permitted. Operators of ATVs and other motorized vehicles must have State Motor Vehicle Operators License. Please keep the pit and paddock area clean by placing your trash in the barrels provided. Do not drain gas, oil or coolant onto the ground or pavement. Use the barrels provided for these. Please take your used tires with you as you will be charged for their removal. **Storage and dispensing of fuel in the Garages is strictly prohibited. Violators will be ejected from the facilities. Per Homestead-Miami Speedway policy, no Unmanned Aerial Vehicles (UAV) of any type may be employed by participants/guests.** 









# **EVENT OFFICIALS:**

Series Race Director	Ken Blackburn	Race Chairman	Michael Finn
Series Chief of Tech	Bill Etherington	Asst. Race Chairman	Lori Vitagliano
Series Administrator	Gayle Lorenz	Event Chief of Tech	Tim Lee
Event Chief Steward	K.P. Jones	Paddock Marshall	Michael Finn
ACS – Safety	Bob Van Epps	Chief of Pit	Lee Stanley
ACS	Bob Ricker	Chief of Grid	Amy Finn-Ojeda
ACS	John Edridge	Chief of Timing/Scoring	Sarah Grammer
ACS	Dennis Joyce	Chief of F&C	Scott Farrell
		Chief of Course	Scott Farrell
Chair SOM	Toni Creighton	Chief Starter	Stacey Grammer
SOM	Bev Heilicher	Chief of Pace Car	Rennie Bryant
SOM	Bob Henderson	Chief Registrar	Lori Vitagliano
SOM	Carrie DeLeon	Medical Coordinator	Miami-Dade Fire Rescue
SOM	Norm "Grumpy" Esau	Regional Executive	John Zuccarelli
SOM	Sandy Jung	Ass't Regional Executive	Lori Vitagliano
SOM	John Zuccarelli		
ACS – SOC	John Anderson		
ACS – SOC	Dana DeShong		
ACS – SOC	Michael Finn		









# **Schedule of Activities**

## Test Day This test day is not covered under event sanction.

## January 7 - Open SCCA Majors Test

Gate Open at 7:00AM to testing participants
Gate Open at 9:00AM to non-testing event participants
Track Hot 9:00AM – 5:00PM with break for lunch at noon
Please call the track at (305) 230-5375 for more information

Group 1	SM	Group 5	STL, STU, T2, T3, T4
Group 2	SRF, SRF3	Group 6	EP, FP, HP, GTL, B-Spec
Group 3	GT1, GT2, GT3, T1, AS	Group 7	FA, FB, FE, FM, P1, P2
Group 4	F5, FF, FV, FC		

**PLEASE NOTE:** Scheduled session times are approximate and are for planning purposes only. Actual start times may vary based on forces of nature and on-track incidents. Stewards will NOT take action on MINOR schedule changes. Starting times may be altered with little or no notice. Please pay attention to the PA.

### Thursday, January 7, 2016

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12:00 PM - 7:00 PM	Registration (Late entries will be processed at the discretion of the Chief Registrar)
	Tech Inspection – near Registration and/or in the paddock at the tech location

#### Friday, January 8, 2016

7:00 AM – 11:00 AM	Registration	12:00 noon	Lunch and Driver's Meeting
7:30 AM – 11:30 AM	Tech Inspection	1:05 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 1
8:00 AM	25 min Practice, Group 1	1:40 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 2
8:35 AM	25 min Practice, Group 2	2:15 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 3
9:10 AM	25 min Practice, Group 3	2:50 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 4
9:45 AM	25 min Practice, Group 4	3:25 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 5
10:20 AM	25 min Practice, Group 5	4:00 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 6
10:55 AM	25 min Practice, Group 6	4:35 PM	25 min Qualifying, Group 7
11:30 AM	25 min Practice, Group 7		

#### Saturday, January 9, 2016

7:00 AM – 9:00 AM	Registration	11:30	25 min Race, Group 1
8:00 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 1	12:00 noon	Lunch
8:30 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 2	1:15 PM	25 min Race, Group 2
9:00 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 3	1:55 PM	25 min Race, Group 3
9:30 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 4	2;35 PM	25 min Race, Group 4
10:00 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 5	3:15 PM	25 min Race, Group 5
10:30 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 6	3:55 PM	25 min Race, Group 6
11:00 AM	20 min Qualifying, Group 7	4:35 PM	25 min Race, Group 7

#### Sunday, January 10, 2016

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7:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Registration	11:30 AM	Lunch	
8:00 AM	Out/In Hardship Laps	12:40 PM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 4	
9:00 AM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 1	1:35 PM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 5	
9:55 AM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 2	2:30 PM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 6	
10:50 AM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 3	3:25 PM	22 laps, or 40 min max race, Group 7	







