

# Runoffs Report – September 21, 2023

Less than 24 hours until RUNOFFS time! On Friday, teams will begin loading into the event. Here is all the information you need to know today...

## **Registration, Paddock and Tech Flow**

We have a pretty good process for load-in at the Runoffs, but as we all know, sometimes we can hit snags. Please be patient and know that everyone is trying to make this as smooth as possible to get you in and enjoying the event.

- *Staging:* Signs will direct you to the staging lot on Raceplex Drive near Registration when you arrive.
- Registration: is at the Quantum Speed Works building. Teams pre-registered as a prep shop may come through starting at 9 am. Anyone may come to Registration at noon. Our registration team will provide your credential (wristband) for the duration of the event, as well as an orange parking card (for those with a paddock space assignment), camping vehicle sticker (for those that requested one) and a personal vehicle sticker (red – one per driver).
- Vehicle passes: There are three color vehicle passes.
  - Red: One per entry. This grants paddock access (Grass, Skidpad, Main paddock). You may park in your paddock space with one of these stickers, but if it doesn't fit, the vehicle will need to move to the grass in one of the designated parking areas. There is no dedicated street car parking in the Main Paddock outside of your paddock space. Keep the grass areas clear.
  - Green: Infield parking. This gets you over the bridge, but not into the main paved paddock (past the roundabout). Teams needing additional Green Infield passes, may request them at Registration.
  - Blue: Official parking. These are for officials, with access into the main paved paddock, but limited parking (denoted by "Official Parking" signs)
- *Parking:* Once through the gate, paddock marshals will meet you at the first checkpoint across from the VIR Administration building (prior to crossing the bridge). They will then direct you across the bridge to one of the other parking check points. There, you will present your orange paddock assignment card and be directed to your space. If you can't maneuver your trailer into your space with your tow vehicle, a forklift and driver is available upon request. If you need to drop an empty trailer, a Paddock Marshal can direct you to that area.

When setting up your paddock, please be mindful of the fire lanes and parking in

other spaces. Virtually every space in paved areas is reserved. Putting something in another space, even temporarily, could delay your neighbor's ability to get parked and set up. Let's work together on this to create a smooth process.

Fire lanes in the main paved paddock have all been widened from the 15' that the track has marked to 25' which allows easier entry and exit for teams and safety crews. Please note that any changes from the VIR permanent paddock marking have been done in ORANGE chalk to try to avoid any confusion (like in 2022) with other chalk marks.

• *Tech:* Each entry must make a visit to tech with, at minimum the vehicle logbook. If you have any unresolved logbook notations or need an annual, the car must be presented. Event decals will be printed at tech, and if testing, each driver must present at tech to receive a wristband.

### **Travel Alert!**

- If you're coming to VIR from I-77, the most direct route that map programs want to take you (across US-58 between I-77 and Danville) is not considered "race trailer friendly." Consulting with the track and several locals, we recommend going down to Winston-Salem, then east to Greensboro, NC and then up US-29 to Danville. It adds just under 40 miles, but maps out to being less than 20 minutes longer, and keeps you on major highways, devoid of cliffs and steep grades.
- Also, when approaching the track on NC-57, it is recommended that larger trailers and RVs use Dotmond Road (there is a sign there directing race rigs) rather than Race Track Road, which is just south of Millie's Pizza in Milton. Race Track Road is narrow and has some tight corners compared to Dotmond. Travel Safe!

### **Drivers with Flagtronics Units!**

Flagtronics has put together an information guide of how the Flagtronics FT200 in-car unit will work during the Runoffs. Drivers that have the system will want to check out this document: <u>https://www.scca.com/downloads/69344-2023-09-01-scca-flagging-key/download</u>. Please note that we will not have sign boards at corner stations at VIR, even though the information is provided in the documentation.

### News and Info

And as always, you can find all kinds of event information on the Runoffs event page, <u>www.scca.com/runoffs</u>. Check it out!

Have a great weekend, The Runoffs Team