

# Audi Club of Wisconsin presents:

# Road America Driver School 2019!

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#### Important information for entrants!

Welcome to the Audi Driver School and Safety Seminar at Road America, in Elkhart Lake, WI. We know you will enjoy the camaraderie of fellow drivers and Audi enthusiasts and that your stay in the beautiful Kettle Moraine area will be a memorable experience.

#### First and foremost, this is not a racing school!

The purpose of this seminar is for you to improve your driving skills while learning more of your car's capabilities. Safety throughout the entire event is of utmost importance.

Please take a few minutes to read this material. It contains a preliminary schedule of events, the convertible policy, car preparation tips, a track map, and a map of the Osthoff. The Tech Form and the medical forms are on MotorsportReg. The medical form is now optional and no longer required. It is being provided if you want to utilize it. Be sure to print and complete the Tech Form and bring it with you when you come to register and tech your car. Instructors and advance drivers can self-tech. Bring your completed tech sheet to the Throttlestop when you register.

#### Attendance at meetings, classroom sessions and all exercises is mandatory!

All participants must be at least 18 years old, wear a long sleeve shirt, long pants (preferably cotton) and closed toe shoes during the driving portions of the event unless otherwise notified by the event coordinators!

ACNA rules require 2010 or 2015 Snell certified M or SA helmets during 2019.

We have a **block of discounted rooms** at the **Osthoff Resort**, 101 Osthoff Avenue, Elkhart Lake, WI, 53020 (800) 876-3399. (See map on page 6.) Please reserve your room ASAP and ask for the Audi Club discount. **The discount will be in effect until April 19th**. Detailed directions, track information and additional lodging can be found at <a href="https://www.roadamerica.com">www.roadamerica.com</a>

Should you need more information, please contact the Event Master, **Mark Prodoehl** at 414-899-1495 or <a href="mailto:events@audiclubwisconsin.org">events@audiclubwisconsin.org</a> or the Chief Instructor **Larry Boyer** at 414-247-1298 (eves) or at <a href="mailto:rockdr07@aol.com">rockdr07@aol.com</a>

#### Road America Highlights: What to expect during our event

The event begins on Sunday afternoon and will be hosted by our new featured sponsor, **Throttlestop**, at their facility in Elkhart Lake. The Sunday activities start with registration and vehicle tech. A light buffet and cash bar will be provided by our host, followed by a tour of the Throttlestop facility. The combined driver and instructor meeting is mandatory for all participants. **NOTE: As with LAST YEAR -There will be modified passing rules for all groups at this year's event, so don't miss the meeting!!** 

**Monday starts** with a quick meeting at the track, then classroom for beginner and intermediate drivers. In-car exercises and a session or two on the track will take up the rest of the morning. During the exercises, instructors will show you threshold braking, side-to-side weight transfer in a slalom exercise, and an accident avoidance exercise. In the afternoon, you will go back to the track with your instructor coaching you the entire time.

**Monday evening** will bring our banquet and a time to socialize with the other drivers and instructors from all over the US and some from Canada. Our sponsors always have cool Audi related items that we give away, raffle, or auction off. *The banquet at the Osthoff is* \$30 for participants and guests. This is a change for 2019. We hope everyone will attend and celebrate an exciting day on the track with the other participants. We're hoping to have Jim Balestrieri & Tommy Kostrivas tell us how Throttlestop came about.

**Tuesday**, you will have classroom and lots of time on the track to hone your skills.

### Tentative Schedule of Activities

#### Sunday, August 12th at Throttlestop

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3:00pm – 5:45pm	Registration and Tech Inspection at Throttlestop, 20 Victory Lane,
	Elkhart Lake, WI 53020 (NE corner of the intersection of Chicago & A)
4:00pm – 6:00pm	Light buffet and cash bar
5:00	Tour of Throttlestop facility
6:00 – 7:00pm	Mandatory Driver & Instructors Meeting (combined), will include
	introducing drivers to instructors
7:00 – 7:15	Short meeting with Instructors to overview responsibilities

#### Monday, August 13th at Road America

7:00am – 8:00am	Last minute/late tech, car prep at the track, exercise set up.
8:00am – 8:15am	Drivers' meeting – EVERYONE MUST ATTEND!!
8:30am – 11:50am	Classroom and exercises
8:30am – 12:00pm	On track instruction and lapping for instructors and advanced drivers.
12:00pm – 1:00pm	Lunch – a concession stand will be open.
1:00pm – 5:00pm	On track lapping and classroom instruction
6:00pm – 9:00pm	Osthoff Hotel - Cash bar at 6:00, Banquet at 7:00

#### Tuesday, August 14th at Road America

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On track lapping and classroom instruction
Lunch – a concession stand will be open
On track instruction and lapping (exercises optional)
Drivers' meeting – EVERYONE MUST ATTEND
Car prep

# Audi Club North America's Policy Regarding Convertibles at Drivers' Schools and Safety Seminars

No stock convertibles will be allowed to participate at our ACNA driving school at Road America. This includes TT's, BMW Z3's, Boxters, etc., even if they are vehicles with factory roll hoops and/or deployable roll over protection - they will not be allowed.



For the above excluded vehicles to be allowed to participate at a 'race track,' the minimum requirements are:

- 1. A four-point roll cage consisting of a main hoop behind the front seats with two rear braces.
- 2. A four- and preferably five-point safety harness.
- 3. Arm restraints are recommended, but not required at this time.

Removable hard tops are **not considered structural roofs**. The only exception is if they meet the minimum 'race track' requirements as detailed above.

Be advised...Even adequate roll cages and restraints do *NOT* protect a driver or passenger *in a convertible* whose car rolls and slides through the gravel pits at Road America! Roll cages are made to work against hard surfaces

If you register to drive a convertible and don't meet the minimum requirements when you come to tech your car, you will not be allowed on the track and you will not receive a refund.

# ACNAs Policy regarding High Center of Gravity vehicles

There are a few HCG (High Center of Gravity) vehicles that are allowed at Drivers' Schools and Safety Seminars. *If your HCG vehicle is listed below, you can register to drive in the <u>novice or intermediate group (period)</u>. Please note the years listed after each vehicle and be sure that yours is within that range. All registered HCG vehicles must meet the same tech requirements as cars and all stability controls must be on while the vehicle is on the track.* 

Audi

*Q3 (2014+), Q5/SQ5 (2009+)* 

**BMW** 

X1 (2013+), X3 (2006+), X5/X5M (2006+) X4, (2014+), X6/X6M (2009+) Mercedes-Benz

GLA (2014+), GLK (2009)

Porsche

*Macan (2014+), Cayenne (2006+)* 

Volkswagen

*Tiguan (2009+), Touareg (2006+)* 

#### Audi Club Driver School Preparation Tips

Our Driver School/Safety Seminar is designed to allow you to learn safe driving techniques and to experience the performance potential of your car in a controlled environment. It is not 'hard' on your car and will not damage your engine or drive train. It does however, require some common sense preparation to ensure a fun, problem-free event. Following are some simple tips for preparing yourself and your car. Your car will need to pass a 'technical inspection' at Throttlestop or at the track. *However, be advised that you, and only you are responsible for the condition of your vehicle and its suitability for use on the track.* A link to the **tech inspection sheet** is on the main page of our website audiclubwisconsin.org Use this as a reference for 'pre-teching' your car, either on your own (instructors and advance drivers only) or at your service provider. If you are not familiar with any of the items below, please discuss them with your mechanic.

Please bring your tech sheet with you when you come to check in at Throttlestop. Instructors and advance drivers can self-tech and bring completed tech sheet to registration.



**Restraints** Driver and passenger must wear seat belts. Stock belts are adequate. Prior to the event, check the retract mechanism to ensure it works and visually inspect the belts for any signs of wear. Replace as needed.



**Helmet** All participants must wear a helmet: Snell 2010 or 2015 (M or SA) or newer, either full face or open face.



**Battery** Batteries must be securely mounted. Make sure the positive terminal is covered.



**Lights** Headlights, taillights, brake lights, and turn signal lights must be fully functional.



Brakes We recommend fresh brake fluid rated DOT 4 or 550° + boiling point. If the fluid has not been changed in the past twelve months we recommend a complete flush of the system. Visually inspect the master cylinder and brake lines for leaks. If your brake pads are below ½ thickness, put new ones on! DO NOT COME TO THE TRACK WITH MARGINAL BRAKE PADS!! "If you have larger aftermarket brakes, and any upgrades to your system, we strongly suggest Motul 600 or equivalent or higher rated fluid, and ducting your brake system."



**Open Tops** Please read the information about convertibles on page 3! Only convertibles that meet the guidelines will be permitted on the track.



**Engine** Visually inspect the engine for any evidence of leaks, loose hoses, alternator, hydraulic pump and A/C belt for cracks or looseness. Throttle and clutch linkages should move freely. We recommend that you have your oil changed prior to the event.



**Exhaust** Visually inspect your exhaust. There should be no holes or cracks. All fittings should be tight and all mounts in good condition.



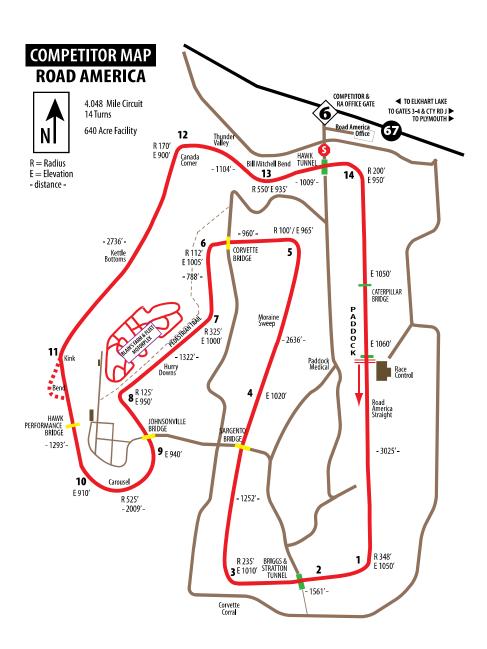
**Wheels and Tires** Check for sufficient tread. You must have 2/32nds or more. No cord can be visible. Speed rating of the tire must match or exceed the maximum speed of your car. All tires must be DOT approved. Patched tires are not safe for track use.

#### Track Map

Road America is a four-mile permanent road course with fourteen turns outlined by seven miles of access roads on 640 acres of land. Because of its technically challenging nature, this facility has long been a favorite of Audi Club members.

If you have a trailer, we anticipate the ability to drop it off at the track on Sunday evening between 7:00-9:00pm as in previous years.

When you go to the track, enter at GATE 6, the competition entrance. Plan to arrive <u>after</u> 6:30am.



## The Osthoff Resort and Conference Center

101 Osthoff Avenue • Elkhart Lake, WI 53020

# Monday Banquet Dinner Inside the Conference Center



