



PCA High Performance Driver Education



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What is a DE?

- Learn to drive your car at fast pace in a controlled environment with experience on track and class room coaching.
- Any car or SUV is acceptable as long as it passes a technical inspection for safety.
- Done at a paved track with staffed corner stations with safety equipment.
- Classroom and on track coaching will show you the fastest way around the track for your car.
- Typically four 20 to 25 minute sessions on track, plus class room time.



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Who runs these events

- PCA Volunteers
- DE Chair — organizes the event
- DE Chief Driving Instructor (CDI) — manages all the on-track activity.
- A lot of coaches to help you learn to drive better and thus, go faster



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Who attends DE's?

- Drivers wanting to enjoy the performance of their car in a safe and controlled environment.
- Drivers wanting to be better drivers on the road in various driving conditions.
- Drivers want to get into various competitive high performance driving events like time trials and club racing.
- Drivers that want to learn more about the technology of their cars



- Drivers that want enjoy their cars with some friends — new and old.



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Types of cars

- All makes and models are welcome
- Convertibles with factory roll over protection are acceptable
- Must pass a safety inspection to ensure all aspects of the car are safe at high speed.
- No changes, modifications, or upgrades required — your car is plenty capable as is to handle the track. In fact, we prefer you not start out on racing rubber.



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What you will learn

Fastest way around a track:

- Best line — track in, apex, track out
- Braking techniques — straight line, threshold, trail braking.
- Weight transfer
- Car control
- Car rotation
- Meaning of corner station flags, hot pits procedures, etc.



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FAQs: **Its too hard on my car**

- All Porsches are made for high performance driving, as well as many other marques.
- You will mostly consume tires and brake pads — and these will last for more than one DE weekend.
- Many high mileage participants — older Porsches are very comfortable and very capable on track.



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FAQs: I'm worried about the other guy

- Strict enforcement of rules — monitored by PCA staff, coaches, and corner workers — nothing goes unnoticed.
- Passing rules eliminate the uncertainty of “racing”
- Black flag station for control of non rule followers
- Two spin rule
- Bad attitude rule
- Run groups based on experience and skill.



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FAQs:

I don't want to wreck my car

- Nobody wants to wreck their car
- Very low % of incidents
- 100% of participants agree that they are better and safer drivers on the street.
- Track insurance is available. Not many beginners buy it, as it's rarely needed.



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FAQs: DE's are only for hard core racers

- Everyone needs to improve their driving skills
- Racers and race cars are in the more experienced and faster run groups.
- Vast majority of beginner cars are showroom stock — no changes or modifications are required.
- Knowing the limits of your car can help you avoid accidents on the street.

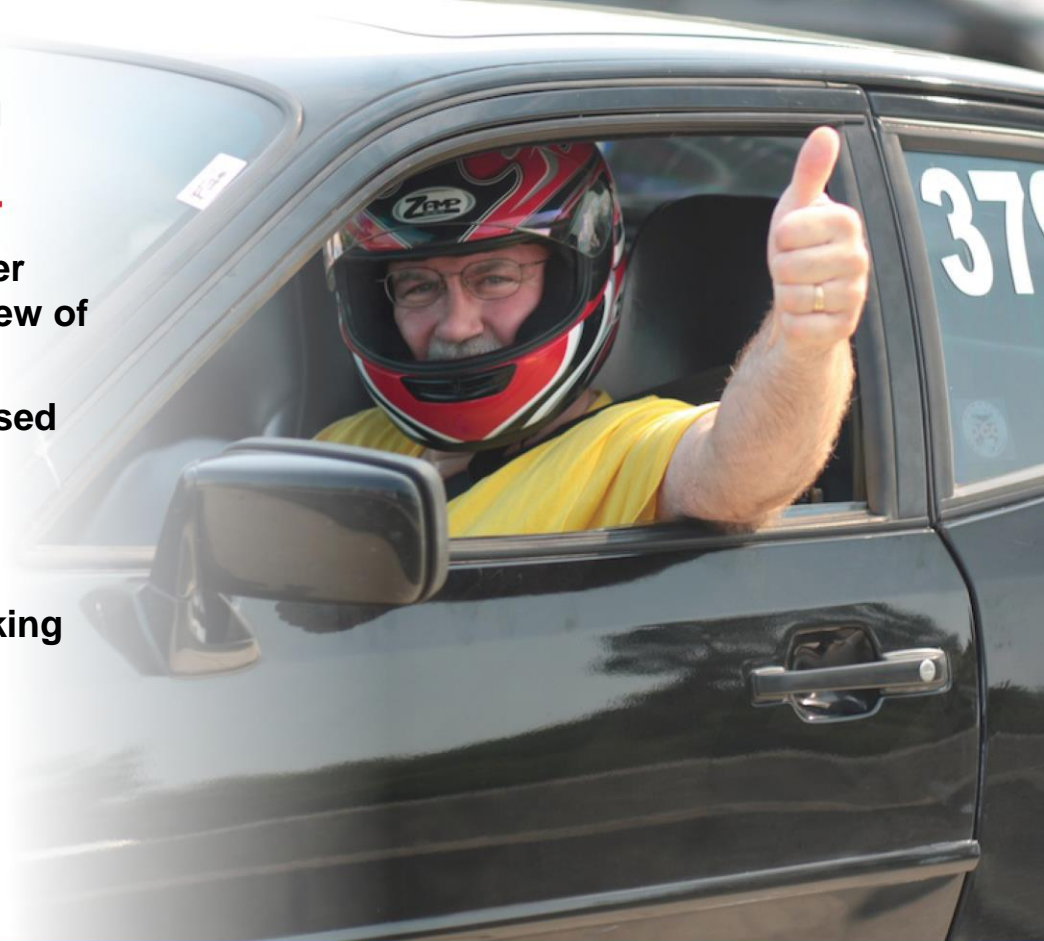


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What happens at a DE?

- Drivers meeting each morning to go over corner station flags, passing rules, review of previous day.
- Run groups run through out the day based on published schedule
- Classroom sessions when not on track.
- Driving exercises like skid pad and braking exercises at some tracks.
- Lots of camaraderie and bench driving.



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Questions & Answers

- Questions
- Concerns
- Will you do a DE?
- If not, why not?
- What's the #1 goal of a DE?



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Thank you for coming to PCA Drivers' Education.



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