

Performance Driving School Series

hosted by the **Carolina Regional Mustang Club**

October 9-10, 2021

Carolina Motorsports Park, Kershaw, South Carolina

Event Information

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The 21st edition of the Performance Driving School (PDS) hosted by the **Carolina Regional Mustang Club** provides you, the student, an opportunity to improve your driving skills in your own car with an experienced instructor on board on a real road course. **IT IS NOT A RACING SCHOOL. "Racing" will NOT be tolerated.** The skills you learn at this school can be applied to situations we all face almost daily on our streets and highways. By learning how to maintain control of your vehicle during unexpected situations, you may someday be able to avoid an accident or injury. **SAFETY** is our primary goal.

All Makes and Models (except soft top convertibles and open cockpit cars) are always welcome, including Mustangs!!!! We are a Mustang Club, but we want to help improve the skill level of **ALL** the drivers we see on the roads each day.

Space is limited! Please **register early to assure your spot**. All registrations must be completed on line at msreg.com/CRMC-PDS-2021 . There is a limit on the number of participants that can be accommodated with the lead-follow method of instruction in the Beginner, Novice and Intermediate groups. Registrations that are early waitlisted will easily be approved if we are able to do in-car instruction. See INSTRUCTION below.

On the advice of our physician, we do not accept applications from participants who are or may be pregnant.

Persons with a physical impairment, which may interfere with their participation, should contact Mark Hunter before registering.

INSTRUCTION:

All students in Groups D (beginner), C (novice) and B (intermediate) will receive classroom and in-car or lead-follow instruction throughout the weekend. Based on the current COVID situation, the plan is to use the lead-follow method. We will review the COVID status through the summer, make a decision in August, and adjust our teaching method to in-car if possible. If we move to in-car instruction, your instructor will provide 2-way, in car communication equipment. Classroom attendance is mandatory for all students. **Advanced drivers assigned to Group A are not assigned an instructor but may request one by contacting Jay Schoolmeesters at 704-650-9447. *Special, challenging, driving exercises are conducted in Groups B, C, and D throughout the weekend.***

RUN GROUPS:

All students will be assigned by the Chief Instructor to one of four run groups (A thru D) according to their skill level and vehicle potential **as described by the entrant in the experience section of MotorsportReg**. You will receive your group assignment and a vinyl car number for the windshield of your car at the track. The full 14-turn, 2.25-mile road course will be used. Controlled passing will be allowed.

“Young Drivers”, **16 and 17 years old with at least a Learners Permit** may participate with parental consent. **Consent forms** will be available only at the track during the event, and a parent must be at the track with their Young Driver for the duration of the school. All Young Drivers will be assigned to the D Group regardless of prior experience. Young Drivers may be on the track only with their instructors. Young drivers 15 years old with a learners permit may be allowed to participate with the prior approval of the Chief Instructor. **Parents please contact Jay Schoolmeesters at 704-650-9447 for approval prior to registering your 15 year old for the driving school. All other students and instructors must be at least 18 years of age and possess a valid state driver’s license.**

LAPPING DAY: On Friday, October 8, we will join Turn One for additional track time for registered advanced solo students and instructors at special rates. See additional information below.

REGISTRATION AND TECH INSPECTION:

Friday, October 8, 7:00 AM to 9:00 AM - Registration and tech for Friday Lapping Day ONLY

Friday, October 8, 4:00 PM to 7:30 PM - Registration and tech for all PDS students and instructors

Saturday, October 9, 6:30 to 9:00 AM - Registration and tech for all PDS students and instructors

Avoid the Saturday morning rush. You'll be glad you came on Friday evening!

Anyone wishing to leave vehicles or car trailers at the track may do so. Gates are open all night Friday and Saturday. Security will be provided beginning Thursday night for those participating on Friday lapping day.

OTHER IMPORTANT INFORMATION:

- **Short or long sleeve shirts, long pants and closed toe shoes are required while driving on track.** Your entry fee includes one free event shirt which will surely become a valued collector item!
- **Soft top convertibles and open cockpit cars are NOT permitted.** Cars with a retractable hardtop in the closed position and convertibles with a factory attachable hardtop in place are allowed in all run groups. Please contact Mark Hunter 803-493-8882 prior to registering if you plan to drive a convertible fitting the allowed criteria.
- **All cars are required to be tech inspected by a qualified service person or facility PRIOR TO THE EVENT.** It is **your responsibility** to ensure that your car is safe. If you are confident in your mechanical ability you may do the inspection yourself. **IMPORTANT: The inspection is for your safety and the safety of others on track. Don't short cut this critical inspection.** Download the pre-event tech form with checklist under the Performance Driving School at www.ponytales.org . **You must bring the completed form with you to the track.** Vehicles with a current log book and annual tech sticker for 2021 from organizations such as NASA, SCCA, PCA, etc, are exempt from the pre-tech requirement & at-track inspection, but drivers must present their log book and helmet to tech at the track.
- **Only one driver per car per run group is allowed.** You may share your car with someone *in a different* run group as assigned by the chief instructor, however, each driver must register and pay the entry fee. The schedule can be tight and the wear and tear on the vehicle increases significantly if a car is used in two groups. **Please contact Jay Schoolmeesters, Chief Instructor, 704-650-9447, prior to registering if you plan to share a car.**
- **Helmet – Snell SA2015 or SA2020 date is required. Please bring your own helmet if possible.** Examples of required Snell SA stickers can be seen on the helmet link under the Performance Driving

School at www.ponytales.org. If you are purchasing a helmet, be sure to get a Snell SA2020 approved helmet. It will be good for events through 2030. The Club has 5 for rent, 1st come, 1st served, that must be reserved prior to the event. A nominal fee will be charged when reserving a helmet on line. Reserve yours when you register on msreg.com/CRMC-PDS-2021 . **DOT, Snell M or other Motorcycle helmets are NOT permitted.** **HMS Motorsport is the exclusive Safety Equipment Supplier for CRMC & the PDS. They provide a 10% discount to CRMC members with presentation of membership card and all participants in the Performance Driving School using the Discount Code "HMS Pony 10".** Contact them at <https://www.hmsmotorsport.com/>

- **All cars must provide equal restraint for driver and instructor.** If you have a 5-point harness, provide one for your instructor - he/she will thank you!
- **Camping** will be available at CMP, and you will deal directly with the Track by reserving space on line at <https://carolinamotorsportspark.com/> under the "Camping/Garages" tab.
- **Garages** are available for rent. Reserve on line with CMP at <https://carolinamotorsportspark.com/> under the "Camping/Garages" tab.

Registration Fees Performance Driving School October 9-10, 2021:

Students:

Regular Registration	\$400.00	Adults 18 or older. Registration closes Sep 14
Early Bird Registration	\$350.00	Before midnight July 15, 2021 Adults 18 or older
Student, LEO, Military	\$300.00	16 & 17 plus <u>all HS & college students</u> with current ID Law Enforcement, <u>Active duty military</u> with ID card through Sep 14

Instructors: No charge for Saturday and Sunday.

Friday Lapping Day, October 8, 2021 :

Advanced Students Registered for Weekend School: **\$175.00**

Instructors Approved for Weekend School: **\$125.00**

You must be registered for the weekend school as either an ADVANCED student as assigned by the Chief Instructor or an instructor to sign up for the lapping day at this special rate on MotorsportReg. Others are welcome to register directly with Turn One on their website at their normal rates by visiting <https://carolinamotorsportspark.com/turn-one-track-days/> .

REFUND POLICY:

We will run **rain or shine**. There will be a **\$50 per driver cancellation fee on all refunds**. Cancellation requests must be made in writing or by email to the Chief of Registration and **received no later than midnight (2400 hours) on September 22, 2021** in order to receive refund of the paid entry fee minus the \$50.00 cancellation fee. **If canceled after the above date and time, no refund will be provided.**

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Hotel Information

Host Hotel: *Colony Inn, Camden, SC*

The COLONY INN - 2020 W Dekalb St, Camden, SC, PHONE 803-432-5508

Located down Highway 601 only 18 miles from the track and . King and double rooms available. Rooms are available at the rate of \$75/night plus tax for single king bed and \$79/per night plus tax for 2 beds. Be sure to mention the Carolina Regional Mustang Club Driving School to get the reduced rate. Rooms sell out quickly.

Other hotel information:

- **Knights Inn** - 322 East DeKalb Street, Camden, SC 803-432-2453
- **Holiday Inn Express** - 521 at I-20, Camden, SC 803-424-5000
- **Comfort Inn & Suites** - 521 at I-20, Camden, SC 803-425-1010
- **Executive Inn** – 301 S. Hampton St, Kershaw, SC 803-475-7575
- **Econo Lodge** - 529 Highway 601 S, Lugoff, SC 803-438-6990
- **Days Inn** - 542 Highway 601S, Lugoff, SC 803-438-1807
- **Super 8** – 1201 Hwy 9 By-Pass, Lancaster, SC 803-283-1200
- **Quality Inn** – 114 Commerce Blvd, Lancaster, SC 803-283-1188

The [Carolina Motorsports Park](#) (CMP) track is located at [3662 Kershaw Hwy](#) (SC 521) approximately 20 miles north of I-26, and about 40 miles south of Charlotte on SC 521.

From the Executive Inn, follow SC 521 south to CMP which will be on your left approximately five miles south of Kershaw.

From the Lancaster area, take Hwy 9 by-pass East and South around Lancaster to SC 521 south. Follow SC 521 south to Kershaw, SC. CMP will be on your left approximately five miles south of Kershaw.

From the Camden/Lugoff area, take SC 521 north. The track will be on your right as you approach Kershaw.