



**DuraMAX Grand Prix  
Circuit Of The Americas / Austin, Texas  
February 27 - 28, 2026**

**Official Schedule**

<u>Registration Hours</u>	<u>Inspection: IMSA VP Racing SportsCar Challenge</u>	<u>Briefings: IMSA VP Racing SportsCar Challenge</u>	<u>Infield Care Center Hours</u>
Thu., 2/26 9:30am - 5:30pm Fri., 2/27 9:30am - 5:30pm Sat., 2/28 8:00am - 12:00pm  Location: Registration Building, Lot R	<u>Pre-Event Inspection</u> <u>(ALL Classes Mandatory by Appointment)</u> Thu., 2/26 2:30pm - 5:00pm IMSA VP Challenge Series Tech Tent  <u>Voluntary Technical Inspection:</u> Thu., 2/26 5:00pm - 6:30pm Fri., 2/27 7:30am - 11:00am Fri., 2/27 1:00pm - 1:30pm Fri., 2/27 3:00pm - 5:30pm Sat., 2/28 9:00am - 10:15am Sat., 2/28 3:45pm - 4:30pm	<u>Team Manager Briefing</u> Thu., 2/26 2:45 pm  <u>Driver &amp; Team Manager Briefing</u> Sat., 2/28 8:30 am  Track Meeting Room	Fri., 2/27 10:00am - 7:30pm Sat., 2/28 8:00am - 7:15pm Sun., 3/1 10:00am - 7:30pm Outside of these hours call 911  Staffed Med Cart - Support Paddock: Fri., 2/27 8:00am - 7:30pm Sat., 2/28 8:00am - 7:15pm

**Series Listing:**

**IMSA VP RACING SPORTSCAR CHALLENGE (VP CHALLENGE)**

NASCAR Cup Series (NCS)

NASCAR O'Reilly Auto Parts Series (NOAPS)

**Tuesday, February 24, 2026**

2:00 pm IMSA Transporters park in Paddock

**Wednesday, February 25, 2026**

8:00 am IMSA Transporters park and set up in Paddock

2:00 pm Michelin, VP Racing & Airgas load-in

**Thursday, February 26, 2026**

8:00 am IMSA Transporters park and set up in paddock

**10:30 am VP CHALLENGE COMPETITOR TRANSPORTER LOAD-IN, (per IMSA Logistics). TEAMS MUST NOT OPEN/UNLOAD UNTIL 2:00 PM.**

10:30 am Industry and Manufacturer Support load-in

**2:00 pm VP CHALLENGE - OPEN/UNLOAD TRANSPORTERS**

**2:45 pm VP CHALLENGE TEAM MANAGER BRIEFING - TRACK MEETING ROOM**

5:30 pm - 6:00 pm On-Track Activity (Hot Track)



**Friday, February 27, 2026**

8:00 am - 10:00 am On-Track Activity (Hot Track)  
10:30 am - 11:45 am TRACK WALK - Walk Only  
11:55 am - CCL IMSA Course Clearance Lap  
**12:00 pm - 12:40 pm PRACTICE #1 - VP CHALLENGE**  
1:00 pm - 1:30 pm On-Track Activity (Hot Track)  
1:55 pm - CCL IMSA Course Clearance Lap  
**2:00 pm - 2:40 pm PRACTICE #2 - VP CHALLENGE**  
3:00 pm - 3:15 pm On-Track Activity (Hot Track)  
4:00 pm - 4:50 pm Practice - NOAPS  
5:00 pm - 6:00 pm Qualifying - NOAPS  
6:25 pm - CCL IMSA Course Clearance Lap  
**6:30 pm - 6:45 pm QUALIFYING - VP CHALLENGE GSX**  
**6:50 pm - 7:05 pm QUALIFYING - VP CHALLENGE GTDX/P3**

**Saturday, February 28, 2026**

6:45 am - 8:00 am TRACK WALK - Walk Only  
**8:30 am VP CHALLENGE DRIVER AND TEAM MANAGER BRIEFING - TRACK MEETING ROOM**  
9:00 am - 10:00 am Practice #1 - NCS  
10:10 am - 11:00 am Qualifying - NCS  
**11:20 am - 11:30 am PRE-RACE - VP CHALLENGE**  
**11:30 am - 12:15 pm RACE #1 - VP CHALLENGE - 45 MINUTES**  
1:20 pm - 1:30 pm Pre-Race - NOAPS  
2:00 pm - 4:30 pm Race - NOAPS  
**5:25 pm - 5:30 pm PRE-RACE - VP CHALLENGE**  
**5:30 pm - 6:15 pm RACE #2 - VP CHALLENGE - 45 MINUTES**  
10:00 pm VPRC Transporters Depart

**Sunday, March 1, 2026**

9:30 am - 11:00 am On-Track Activity (Hot Track)  
1:00 pm - 2:30 pm Pre-Race - NCS  
2:30 pm - 5:00 pm Race - NCS



**GENERAL**

- 9.4.4 - **Event Facility:** Circuit of the Americas Ph: 512-301-6600  
9201 Circuit of the Americas Blvd.  
Austin, TX 78617
- 9.4.7 - **Length of the Racetrack:** 2.40 mile, 20-turn National Road Course
- 9.4.9 - **Direction of the Race:** Counterclockwise
- 9.4.10 - **Pole Position:** On the Left
- 9.4.20 - **Location of Race Control:** At Pit-In end of Garage Building behind Pit Lane, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor
- 25.8 - **Start Line:** On the Front Straight
- 25.9 - **Finish Line:** On the Front Straight



**IMSA VP RACING SPORTSCAR CHALLENGE SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

**ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS**

- 9 - **EVENT:** Rounds 3 and 4 of the IMSA VP Racing SportsCar Challenge at Circuit of the Americas are sanctioned by IMSA and held under the IMSA RULES.
- 9.4.6 - **Entries Closing:** Tue., Feb. 10, 2026. Late entries per Art. 4.3.
- 9.4.11 - **Number of Cars admitted**
  - A. Practice sessions: 50 Maximum
  - B. Qualifying sessions: 50 Maximum
  - C. Race: 50 Maximum
- 9.4.13 - **Impound:** VP Challenge Series Trailer in the Paddock per the Technical Department.
- 9.4.21 - **Tire Allocation:**
  - LMP3: 4 sets - F-S8M/R-S9M
  - GTDX: 4 sets - Pilot Sport Pro<sup>GT</sup> H1+
  - GSX: 4 sets - S9M+ (30/68 18 application must use S9M specification)
- 19 - **Event Logistics:** Specified pre-staging, staging, load-in, and load-out instructions and times must be strictly adhered to. If delayed for load-in, Teams must contact IMSA Logistics no later than two (2) hours prior to the scheduled start of load-in to receive alternate arrangements. Transporters that are late or unprepared for load-in are subject to forfeiting original Paddock placement and load-in time.
  - Pre-Staging: VPRC pre-staging is exclusively in Lot R at 7736 Kellam Rd., Del Valle, TX 78617 beginning Mon., Feb. 23. Refer to IMSA Transporter Staging map. Pre-staging is prohibited on CoTA Blvd. or elsewhere.
  - Staging for Load-in: VPRC staging for load-in is exclusively in Lot R at 7736 Kellam Rd., Del Valle, TX 78617 beginning Mon., Feb. 23. Refer to IMSA Transporter Staging map. VPRC transporters must be in the staging area a minimum of one (1) hour prior the scheduled load-in time of 10:30 am, Thu., Feb 26.
  - Load-In: VPRC load-in originates from the Lot R staging area and begins promptly at 10:30 am, Thu., Feb 26. Drivers must be at truck and prepared to load-in no later than one (1) hour prior to load-in start.
  - Load-Out: Transporters must not move in the Paddock until 6:45 pm, Sat., Feb 28. Transporters must depart Paddock and facility by 10:00 pm.
- 20.2.11.A. - **Paddock Teardown:** Teams must not begin to dismantle per Art. 20.2.11.A until 5:00 pm, Sat., Feb 28.

**GENERAL - EVENT / TRACK INFORMATION - ALL SERIES**

- 3.7.2 - **Driver Deadline/Fee:** CoB Tue., Feb. 10. Until close of Sporting Checks (Art. 11.2), an expediting fee is charged. No applications (or related documents) processed after close of Sporting Checks (Art. 11.2) except per Art. 3.7.2.
- 4.3.6 - **Event Confirmations:** Event Confirmation Declarations must be submitted via MERG no later than 4pm Mon., Feb. 16. \$500 is charged for late Declarations or Driver changes made after this deadline until the close of Sporting Checks. Driver changes after close of Sporting Checks per Art. 3.7.2 and Art. 11.2.1.A.



## **GENERAL - EVENT / TRACK INFORMATION - ALL SERIES, CONT.**

- 9.4.14.A - **Fuel Schedule:** The VP depot is located in the Paddock at the fueling island between main and upper paddock. VP will deliver fuel to the Paddock in the afternoon, Wed., Feb. 25.
- A. Driver/TM Briefing:** Briefings distributed Feb. 26.
- For questions regarding the briefing please contact the following as appropriate:  
Randy Buck - VPRC Racing Related, [randalbuck@imsa.com](mailto:randalbuck@imsa.com) or 415-298-7018  
Brian Wilson - Series Manager, IWSC, IMPC and VPRC, [bwilson@imsa.com](mailto:bwilson@imsa.com) or 386-281-9494  
Paul Walter - Sporting Regulations, [pwalter@imsa.com](mailto:pwalter@imsa.com) or 614-598-6783  
David Pees - Timing and Scoring, [dpees@imsa.com](mailto:dpees@imsa.com) or 386-308-8866  
Cory Posocco - Paddock Logistics, [cposocco@imsa.com](mailto:cposocco@imsa.com) or 386-566-8313  
Scott Ellison - Technical, [sellison@imsa.com](mailto:sellison@imsa.com) or 734-621-9130  
Roy Spielmann - Track Services, [rspielmann@imsa.com](mailto:rspielmann@imsa.com) or 414-702-0905  
Robert Bosworth - HV Safety, [rbosworth@imsa.com](mailto:rbosworth@imsa.com) or 704-728-8087  
Ryan McLean - Medical Liaison, [rmclean@imsa.com](mailto:rmclean@imsa.com) or 386-285-6913
- B. Track Walk:** The Track Walk is for Credential Holders Only, Walk Only. Must not embark later than 45 minutes remaining.
- 1. Nitrogen Supply:** Airgas is the exclusive nitrogen supplier, [motorsports@airgas.com](mailto:motorsports@airgas.com) or 800-367-4273. Order deadline is Fri., Feb. 6. Bottles placed at back of Paddock, labeled with Team names. Mark McCulloch [mark.mcculloch@airgas.com](mailto:mark.mcculloch@airgas.com) or 737-207-0938.
  - 2. Motorsports Ministries:** Terry Borcheller, [terryborcheller@aol.com](mailto:terryborcheller@aol.com) or 678-677-5861.
  - 3. Telephone/Internet:** Edgar Martinez, [edgar.martinez@thecircuit.com](mailto:edgar.martinez@thecircuit.com) or 512-584-4995.
  - 4. Security:** Ryan Harder, [ryan.harder@thecircuit.com](mailto:ryan.harder@thecircuit.com) or 737-899-5475.
  - 5. Team Food Service:** TBA.
  - 6. Catering:** Elaine Rizzuto, [erizzuto@proofpudding.com](mailto:erizzuto@proofpudding.com) or 804-731-6037.
  - 7. Hospitality:** Bailey Hansen, [bailey.hansen@thecircuit.com](mailto:bailey.hansen@thecircuit.com) or 512-655-6291.
  - 8. Motorhomes:** Jade Callahan, [jade.callahan@thecircuit.com](mailto:jade.callahan@thecircuit.com) or 505-430-7640.
  - 9. Equipment Rental:** Ian Bazan, [ian.bazan@thecircuit.com](mailto:ian.bazan@thecircuit.com) and [orders@thecircuit.com](mailto:orders@thecircuit.com) or 512-787-2778.
  - 10. Truck Washing:** Attention 2 Detail, Steven Berry, [sberry1967@gmail.com](mailto:sberry1967@gmail.com) or 336-240-7606
  - 11. Golf Cart Rentals:** KC Golf Cart, Andy Leiker, [andy@kcgolfcartco.com](mailto:andy@kcgolfcartco.com), <http://www.kcgolfcartco.com> or 785-925-0006 or 913-745-6259.
  - 12. Pit/Paddock Vehicles:** Per Art. 20.3.5. Racetrack Requirements: All Pit/Paddock Vehicles must register and obtain a track-issued Golf Cart Credential to operate. Teams must provide a COI to be issued a Golf Cart Credential. Golf Cart registration available at [SMI Properties](#). Credentials can be picked up in Lot J.
  - 13. False Grid:** Support Paddock at T12.
  - 14. Spotter Information:** N/A. CotA Tower access is only permitted within the same parameters as the general public.
  - 15. Parking Procedures:** IMSA credentials only, no parking pass required. Lot F.
  - 16. Additional Information:** Additional maps, forms and information specific to this Event at [imsacompetitors.com](http://imsacompetitors.com).
  - 17. Track Shipping:** Packages shipped to CotA can be picked up at Building Y outside Tunnel 1 on the top of the hill. Building Y is open from 8:00 am - 5:00 pm daily, 7 days a week. Packages must be addressed as follows:

**Team or Company Name / Contact Name & Cell Phone Number / Series**

c/o Circuit of the Americas  
9201 Circuit of the Americas Blvd.  
Austin, TX 78617



**MEDICAL INFORMATION**

- FACILITY MEDICAL CENTER:** The Infield Care Center is part of the "Medical Center" facility located at the East end of the Competitor Paddock at pit out. Operating hours on P1. For after-hours medical, dial 911.
- HOSPITAL INFORMATION:** Primary/Trauma/Burn: (19 Miles) Dell Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas  
1500 Red River St., Austin, TX 78701 Main 512-324-7000
- PHARMACY INFORMATION:** Walgreen's, (11 miles) 1920 E. Riverside Dr., Austin, TX 78741  
Main 512-443-7534, 24 Hours
- Walgreen's, (17 miles) 2501 S. Lamar Blvd., Austin, TX 78701  
Main 512-443-7534, 24 Hours

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**MAPS**

**» TO IMSA TRANSPORTER STAGING** 

**Directions**

1. Take Elroy Rd to COTA Blvd
2. Enter Lot R and proceed to IMSA Transporter Staging (red shaded area)

**Notes**

- Pre-Staging and Staging available in Lot R
- Address: 7736 COTA Blvd, Del Valle, TX 78617
- Refer to Official Schedule / SR for detailed Staging and Load-in instructions.
- Pre-Staging and Staging in any other location (COTA Blvd or other lots) is not allowed



## » TO IMSA REGISTRATION



### Directions

1. Proceed to COTA Blvd from Elroy Rd or COTA facility
2. Enter Lot R and proceed to IMSA Registration (red shaded area; see inset photo)

### Notes

- IMSA Registration located in COTA Accreditation Center
- Address: 7736 COTA Blvd, Del Valle, TX 78617
- Refer to Official IMSA SR / Schedule for Registration hours of operation



## » TO IMSA PARKING



### Directions

1. Take Elroy Rd to COTA Blvd
2. Proceed on COTA Blvd following signage for Lot F
3. Park in assigned IMSA Parking area of Lot F, designated with signage

### Notes

- IMSA credential (annual or SEC) required for lot access
- Tram available from Lot F to COTA infield



## » TO TRACK MEETING ROOM



### Notes

- Track Meeting Room located in Media Center Room B (3<sup>rd</sup> set of doors to left of entrance)
- Refer to Official IMSA SR / Schedule for Briefing times



## » TO PIT LANE | CARS



### Directions

1. Stage Cars in False Grid area
2. Enter track via Turn 12 opening. Follow directions from IMSA Officials

### Notes

- Route to be used by Cars only



## » TO PIT LANE | EQUIPMENT



### Directions

1. Exit Paddock from Northwest gate (see inset photo)
2. Proceed on Ring Road to Pit Entry / Pit Lane

### Notes

- Route to be used by Pit Equipment / Tuggers only



## » TO PADDOCK | CARS

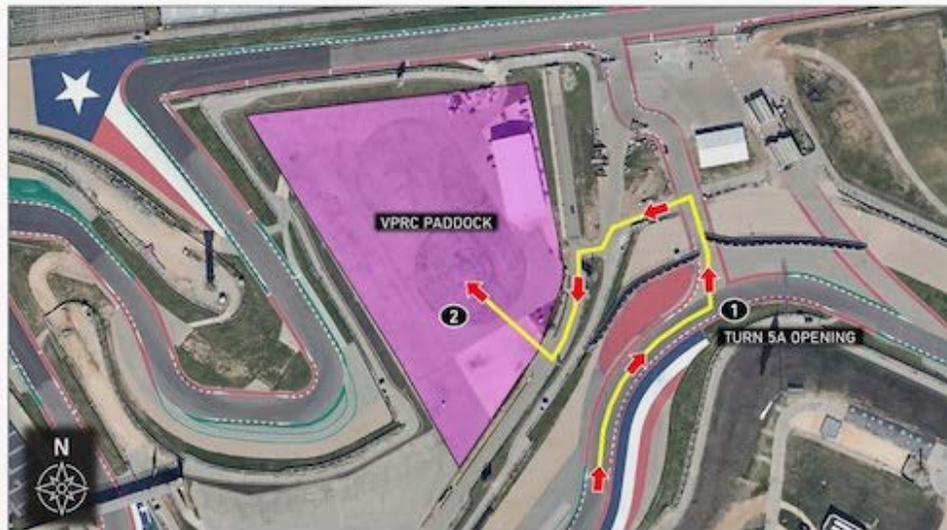


### Directions

1. Directly after taking checkered flag on Course, slow and exit Course at the Turn 5A Opening. Proceed on Access Roads
2. Enter VPRC Paddock

### Notes

- Route to be used by Cars only
- Please use caution on Access Roads and in Paddock area



## » TO PADDOCK | EQUIPMENT



### Directions

1. Exit Pit Lane into NASCAR Paddock
2. Turn left onto Access Road and proceed to VPRC Paddock
3. Enter VPRC Paddock

### Notes

- Route to be used by Pit Equipment / Tuggers only



## » CARE CENTER LOCATION



### Notes

- Care Center located in NASCAR Paddock, near Pit Out
- Refer to Official IMSA SR / Schedule for Care Center hours of operation

