
Subject: First Timer Autocross Advice For Crows Landing Event

Posted by [Codda1234](#) on Sun, 09 Sep 2018 01:14:07 GMT

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Hi everyone,

This is my first post to this forum. I am interested in trying my hand at autocross for the first time at the upcoming event at Crows Landing Sept 29 and 30th. Ultimately I would like to get into some tracks days but would like to sharpen my driving skills via autocross prior to heading out on the track. I have a few questions about autocross. I am hoping the friendly people on this forum can guide me in the right direction.

Can I just show up or should I register online. What time should I arrive? It mentions I will need to work a shift. What type of work will I be doing and do they just assign me a task?

I've heard they may have helmets available but I don't want to show up and not have a helmet to use. Should I purchase a one? I don't want to purchase a helmet if it turns out motor sports is not my cup of tea.

My car is a 2006 Miata NC 6 speed with Ohlins, Progress sways front and rear, Isd, Goodwin racing headers with full exhaust, AEM CAI, and 17x8 wheels with 215|45|17 Michelin Pilot sport tires. What class would I run in?

Any other tips would be very much appreciated. Looking forward to perhaps meeting some of you at a future event.

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Posted by [G_Ride](#) on Mon, 10 Sep 2018 02:20:27 GMT

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Since the events are sanctioned under AAS, there is only on-site registration. Let people know at registration that you're a first timer. At registration register, you'll also sign up for work. You'll be working as a course worker, picking up knocked over cones and such. What time you need to be there depends on if you plan to run in class or not and when you plan to run (morning or afternoon). If you plan to run in the morning, be there by 8am. Otherwise, noon for the afternoon groups.

There will be some helmets available. There should be enough loaner helmets, but there's a chance that may not be the case (it's rare that this happens). If you do plan to buy a helmet, you should get one that's Snell rated, preferably SA2015 rated.

If you still have a cat in the system (stock or aftermarket), you would be STR (Under ST1). Otherwise, CSP (Under SP1). ST1 and SP1 both are in run group 3 (morning groups) on the 29th, then in run group 4 (afternoon groups) on the 30th.

Bring water, snacks, and sunscreen. Don't be afraid to ask questions and introduce yourself to people. We're mostly okay people :)

Subject: Re: First Timer Autocross Advice For Crows Landing Event

Posted by [Codda1234](#) on Mon, 10 Sep 2018 04:05:54 GMT

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Thank you very much for the reply Erik! Btw, my name is Eric also :) Looking forward to meeting and chatting it up with some folks at the autocross event. Sounds like there are some nice people out there.
