# West Texas Region WHAT IS AUTOCROSS?

Let us introduce you to the fastest growing segment of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA)... Solo (Autocross) competition.

An autocross event is a driving skill contest that emphasizes the driver's ability and the cars handling characteristics by navigating a course that is designated by traffic cones on a low hazard location, such as a parking lot or inactive airstrip.

The speeds achieved are no greater than those normally encountered in legal highway driving, but the combination of concentration, car feedback, and competition creates an adrenaline pumping experience. It is like being in a movie chase scene, only you are driving the car instead of holding a tub of popcorn.



# I DON'T HAVE A RACE CAR.

Luckily, you don't need a race car to Autocross! Many of our competitors compete with their daily drivers. As long as your



vehicle is well-maintained and safe to drive, you can probably compete with it.

Your car will need to be able to pass a safety inspection on the day of the event so make sure your tires and brakes are in good shape. Also clean out your car and check to make sure the battery is secured well and doesn't move.

### West Texas Region / SCCA | How To GET | STARTED!

#### Before the event:

- 1. Pre-register online! Pre-registration is required for all participants.
- 2. Clean out your car and check your brakes, tires, battery.
- Air up your tires to at least recommended maximum pressures.

#### Day of the event:

- 1. Show up early! Be there at 8am for day events, or 9pm for night events.
- 2. When you arrive, you need to sign the waiver and get your wrist band.
- 3. Drive over to the safety tech and let them inspect your car.
- 4. Once your car has been given the green light, park it out of the way.
- 5. Check in with the registration tent. They will assign your run group.
- 6. Be there early enough to walk the course. We recommend walking it at least twice!
- 7. All competitors are required to attend the drivers meeting. 9:30am for day events, or 10:30pm for night events. No Exceptions!
- 8. If you are assigned run group A, you will run with the first group of cars.
  If you are assigned run group B, you will work the course for while run group A is on track.
  After run group A is finished, we switch!
  - Run group A works the course for run group B. We may add run groups if attendance is high enough.
- 9. Have FUN!

#### After the event:

- Stick around! We have a trophy presentation after the event is over.
- 2. If you can stay and help clean up, we would greatly appreciate it.
- 3. Be sure to pick up any trash and help us keep the facility clean.

### GO FASTER! WE WILL SHOW YOU HOW!

## THINGS TO KNOW

- You're not "racing" against other cars.
   You're racing against your best time.
- Don't worry, you won't be on the course with other cars around you. There is no wheel to wheel racing.
- Your car will need to pass a safety inspection on the day of the event.
- Drivers are typically car enthusiasts who enjoy driving hard and smart.
- Participants pay a modest fee (\$40-\$60) to enter the event.
- You need to be a licensed driver.
- Courses are designed to challenge your driving skills and car preparation with turns, slaloms, and gates.
- There is very little risk of hitting anything, even if you loose control. The cones won't harm your car.
- Since not all cars are created equal, there are over 30 classes of cars. Corvettes aren't competing against Honda Civics and Miatas aren't competing against Vipers.
- We are all volunteers. No one profits from this, we do it for fun.
- You will be required to work the course at some point during the day.
- Helmets are required. If you have one, bring it with you. If you don't, we have loaner helmets available\*

\*Limited loaner helmets. First come first serve. You may be asked to share.









Buckle your seatbelts, throw on a helmet, and you're ready to "attack" those cones in an autocross!