

**TARHEEL CHAPTER**  
**BMW CCA**  
**DRIVING EVENTS COMMITTEE**  
**HIGH PERFORMANCE DRIVING SCHOOLS IN THE AGE OF COVID-19**

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All of us are aware HPDS events have an element of risk that goes along with the learning, enjoyment and social aspects of the event. Each of us makes a reasoned decision as to our participation and we do what we can to take responsibility for ourselves, and to be mindful and respectful of those around us.

The presence of Covid-19 has added an additional risk factor to consider. Each of us must consider our own health safety, as well as those around us. We have an obligation to our families, friends, co-workers and driving school participants to take personal measures to minimize risks to all.

We suggest you ask yourself *“Am I willing to participate in this event, understanding the risk profile has changed?”* If the answer is yes, the next question should be *“What can I do to mitigate my risk and the risk I may pose to others?”* Tarheel has been reviewing this question, and we have some guidelines for you. We consider these minimum standards which must be met to help reduce the risk for all. You should consider these a starting point, and think about actions you can take for the benefit of yourself and others.

**As of June 3, 2021 BMW CCA Policy: Chapters are allowed to return to normal in car instruction as well as other dual occupancy driving events providing they can do so with reasonable public health safety measures and are in compliance with Federal/State/Local/Facility requirements in force at the time of the event.**

**As of May 28, 2021 the Covid restrictions from both the CDC and the State of Virginia have been updated.**

***For people who are fully vaccinated: “Social distancing and masking are no longer required.”***

***For people who have not been fully vaccinated, “masks in indoor settings, and social distancing are “encouraged”.***

**While these guidelines are necessary to help minimize the risk of the transfer of COVID-19, the remaining risk is not zero. You will need to decide for yourself if you are willing to accept the remaining risk in order to participate in this event.**

## **General Guidelines Specific to the Tarheel Chapter HPDS In June 2021**

**This event will be comprised of participants who are fully vaccinated and those who are not fully vaccinated. Before you leave home consider these things:**

- Take your temperature before you leave home. If you have fever, or you aren't sure, stay home.
- Bring your own pen to sign waivers, if you did not sign the waivers electronically.
- For the sake of enhanced safety, please limit inviting non-participants to the event. Immediate household family, “Crew” and prospective future HPDS participants are permitted. All such Guests are required to go to the Tech Shed Registration with you to sign the waiver and receive and wear a wrist band.

**What to expect in the Paddock:** Meeting and Classroom details are being developed and refined.

Details will be available at a later date. Venues and techniques (mostly outdoors) are being chosen where Social Distancing is a primary factor. Participants and guests who are not fully vaccinated are encouraged to wear masks, particularly when indoors.

## **What to expect from Instructors:**

**Instructors must follow the same guidelines. In addition:**

- Sharing of communicators is not permitted. Your instructor should give you possession of a headset to use for the event. You are expected to return it to the instructor at the conclusion of your event.
- Your Instructor may choose to conduct the post session debriefing outside the car.

## **What to expect at Registration:**

- Registration will be held in the Tech Shed to enhance social distancing. Maintain adequate spacing in line.
- We may take your temperature with a no contact thermometer. If you have a fever, you will be asked to leave the event.

Tarheel is taking measures to help reduce risk by reducing the handling of paper and objects.

- Medical forms and waivers should be completed on line in the event registration process.
- Registration volunteers will be provided PPE (masks and gloves).

Participants will be responsible for the following actions:

- Verifying your helmet meets the requirements. If your helmet has a 2019 or 2020 Tarheel sticker, show that to the registration person, do not hand them the helmet, that sticker is sufficient for this event. If it does not have a Tarheel 2019 or 2020 sticker, show the SNELL sticker inside the helmet, without handing the helmet over. If needed, you may be issued a 2020 sticker to place on your helmet.
- The pre-event vehicle tech form must be complete, as it has your emergency contact information. Hand this form in to registration.
- We will not handle your driver's license, but need to verify it. Please present it so we can view it.
- Wristbands will be in your packet or on the table. Put the band on yourself after you leave registration.
- There will be a basket with lanyards-take one if you need it.
- There will be a basket with cotton balaclavas to wear inside your helmet, should you wish to wear one on track.
- For this event, there will be a Grid Tech form provided. This is for you and your instructor. It will not be collected.
- Tee-Shirts will be distributed separately from registration, probably at lunch on Saturday.

We are taking these actions to help further reduce risk, but remember that in the end, just as you have in the past, you must take responsibility for your own health and safety.

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