



**2026 USAC Road Racing**

Circuit of the Americas

May 6-9, 2026

Version 3

Tuesday, May 5, 2026			
Start	End	Duration Category	Session
9:00 AM		Al Kamel North America	Load-in / Track Set-up
12:00 PM		USAC / PMNA / Yokohama	Transporter Load-in
6:00 PM		Porsche Competitors	Load-in
11:00 PM		Garages/Paddock Closed	

Wednesday, May 6, 2026			
Start	End	Duration Category	Session
10:30 AM	10:45 AM	15 Al Kamel North America	Track Test
11:00 AM	12:30 PM	90 Cayman	Test 1
12:45 PM	2:15 PM	90 GT3 Cup	Test 1
2:15 PM	3:00 PM	30 Ford Competitors	Load-in
2:15 PM	2:45 PM	30	Break
2:45 PM	4:15 PM	90 Cayman	Test 2
4:30 PM	6:00 PM	90 GT3 Cup	Test 2
6:05 PM	7:05 PM	60 Track Walk	All Series

Thursday, May 7, 2026			
Start	End	Duration Category	Session
7:30 AM	7:45 AM	15 Al Kamel North America	Track Test
8:00 AM	9:00 AM	60 IMSA AEC	Load-in
8:00 AM	8:40 AM	40 PSCNA - Cayman	Practice 1
8:50 AM	9:30 AM	40 PSCUW	Practice 1
9:40 AM	10:10 AM	30 Ford Mustang Cup	Practice 1
10:25 AM	11:05 AM	40 PSCNA - GT3 Cup	Practice 1
11:05 AM	12:05 PM	60	Break
12:05 PM	12:45 PM	40 PSCNA - Cayman	Practice 2
1:00 PM	1:40 PM	40 PSCUW	Practice 2
1:55 PM	2:25 PM	30 Ford Mustang Cup	Practice 2
2:40 PM	3:20 PM	40 PSCNA - GT3 Cup	Practice 2
3:35 PM	4:25 PM	50 IMSA AEC	Practice 1
4:40 PM	5:00 PM	20 PSCNA - Cayman	Qualifying

Friday, May 8, 2026			
Start	End	Duration Category	Session
7:30 AM	7:45 AM	15 Al Kamel North America	Track Test
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	30 Ford Mustang Cup	Practice 3
8:45 AM	9:10 AM	25 PSCUW	Qualifying
9:25 AM	10:15 AM	50 IMSA AEC	Practice 2
10:30 AM	10:50 AM	20 PSCNA - GT3 Cup Group A	Qualifying
11:00 AM	11:20 AM	20 PSCNA - GT3 Cup Group B	Qualifying
11:35 AM	11:50 AM	15 Ford Mustang Cup	Miles Qual
11:50 AM	12:50 PM	60	Break
12:50 PM	1:30 PM	40 PSCNA - Cayman	Race 1
1:45 PM	2:00 PM	15 IMSA AEC	Practice 3
2:10 PM	2:25 PM	15 IMSA AEC (LMP3)	Qualifying
2:45 PM	3:25 PM	40 PSCUW	Race 1
3:45 PM	4:30 PM	45 Ford Mustang Cup	Miles Race
4:50 PM	5:30 PM	40 PSCNA - GT3 Cup	Race 1

Saturday, May 9, 2026			
Start	End	Duration Category	Session
7:30 AM	7:45 AM	15 Al Kamel North America	Track Test
8:00 AM	8:30 AM	30 GTTD	Session 1
8:45 AM	9:25 AM	40 PSCNA - Cayman	Race 2
9:40 AM	9:55 AM	15 Ford Mustang Cup	Parr. Qual.
10:10 AM	10:50 AM	40 PSCNA - GT3 Cup	Race 2
11:05 AM	1:05 PM	120 IMSA AEC	Race
1:15 PM	2:00 PM	45 GTTD	Session 2
2:15 PM	2:55 PM	40 PSCUW	Race 2
3:10 PM	3:55 PM	45 Ford Mustang Cup	Parr. Race
4:05 PM	6:05 PM	120 GTTD	Session 3

**Series Present:**

Porsche Sprint Challenge North America - Cayman  
 Porsche Sprint Challenge North America - GT3 Cup  
 Porsche GT Track Day

Ford Mustang Cup  
 IMSA Airbnb Endurance Challenge  
 NASCAR Youth Series





**IMSA AIRBNB ENDURANCE CHALLENGE EVENT INFORMATION**

**Registration**

\*No onsite IMSA Registration. Credential Deadline: May 1<sup>st</sup>

IMSA Annual & Single Event Credentials utilized.

All Team Personnel and Guests must complete a SpeedWaiver prior to entry: [SpeedWaiver.com](https://www.speedwaiver.com)

Date	Start	End	Location
Thursday	7:30 AM	4:00 PM	Office Trailer at Tunnel 2
Friday	7:30 AM	4:00 PM	
Saturday	6:30 AM	4:00 PM	

**Meal Times / Hospitality**

Date	Start	End	Location
Thursday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	Suite 201 (Above Garages)
Thursday	11:00 AM	1:00 PM	
Friday	7:30 AM	9:30 AM	
Friday	11:00 AM	1:00 PM	
Saturday	8:00 AM	10:00 AM	
Saturday	11:00 AM	1:00 PM	

**Competitor Load In**

Date	Time	Location
Thursday	8:00 AM - 9:00 AM	Lot R

**Industry Support Load In**

Date	Time	Location
Wednesday	2:15 PM - 3:00 PM	Lot R

**Briefing(s)**

Date	Start	Type	Location
Thursday	9:40 AM	Team Manager	Ford Hospitality
Saturday	9:40 AM	Driver & TM	

**Tech**

AEC Voluntary Tech closed during Ford Mustang Cup impound periods

Date	Start	End	Location
Thursday	9:00 AM	3:00 PM	Garage #34
Friday	7:30 AM	5:00 PM	
Saturday	8:00 AM	1:00 PM	

**Minute by Minute (Race)**

**IMSA Airbnb Endurance Challenge Race**

<b>10:05:00 AM</b>	False Grid Open and 30 minutes to False Grid Close – 1 hour to Start of Race
<b>10:35:00 AM</b>	False Grid Closed – late Cars to back of grid – 30 min to Start of Race
<b>10:55:00 AM</b>	<b>Transit to the Pit Lane</b>
<b>10:59:15 AM</b>	<b>“Drivers Start Your Engines” Command</b>
<b>11:00:00 AM</b>	Dispatch Safety Car – 1 Formation Lap
<b>11:05:00 AM</b>	<b>Green Flag – Race – 120 minutes</b>
<b>1:05:00 PM</b>	<b>Checkered Flag</b>



**IMSA AIRBNB ENDURANCE CHALLENGE SUPPLEMENTARY REGULATIONS**

**Circuit of the Americas**

**GENERAL**

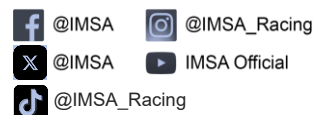
- 9.4.4 – Event Facility: Circuit of the Americas Phone: 512-301-6600  
9201 Circuit of the Americas Blvd.  
Austin, TX 78617
- 9.4.7 – Length of Racetrack: 3.4 mile, 20-turn Road Course
- 9.4.9 – Direction of Race: Counterclockwise
- 9.4.10 – Pole Position: On the Left
- 9.4.20 – Location of Race Control: At Pit-In end of Garage Building behind Pit Lane, 1<sup>st</sup> Floor
- 25.8 – Start Line: On the Front Straight, at the post closest to the gantry and T1
- 25.9 – Finish Line: On the Front Straight, at the post closest to Turn 20

**ADDITIONAL REGULATIONS**

- 9 - EVENT: The IMSA Airbnb Endurance Challenge (AEC) at Circuit of the Americas is sanctioned by IMSA and held under the IMSA RULES.
- 9.4.3 - Name of the Event: IMSA Airbnb Endurance Challenge at Circuit of the Americas.
- 9.4.6 - Entries Closing: Tue., Apr. 21, 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: **Technical Garage**
- 9.4.22 - Tire Allocation: LMP3: 5 sets – F-S8M/R-S9M
- 12.13 - Minimum Drive-Time: Forty (40) minutes
- 12.14 - Maximum Drive-Time: Eighty (80) minutes
- 19 – Event Logistics: Transporter movement/load-in under the direction of USAC Officials. For any questions specific to load-in, at-track logistics, or transporter delays, contact Randy Hembrey – [randy@usacnation.com](mailto:randy@usacnation.com), 847-809-3969.
  - Staging: Lot R, Contact Security 512-655-6220.
  - Load-In: Thursday, May 7 at 8:00 AM via Tunnel 2. Teams must not open/unload Transporters until notified by IMSA/USAC Officials.
  - Load-Out: All Transporters must vacate the Paddock by Saturday, May 9 at 11:30PM. Night parking available on COTA Blvd. or Lot R.
- 20.2.10.- Paddock Equipment Teams must complete the Paddock Equipment Form at [merg.imsa.com](http://merg.imsa.com) no later than three (3) weeks prior to their first Event. The Paddock Equipment Form must reflect the exact measurements of the transporters, awnings and any slide-outs of the trailers.
- 26.3 – Facility Damage Competitors are responsible for any costs associated with damage to the circuit infrastructure resulting from an incident, including but not limited to Barrier Repair/Replacement, Guardrail Damage Repair/Replacement, Oil Dry Usage, etc. Competitors are invoiced directly by IMSA after the Event. Where multiple Cars are involved, costs are attributed to the Car(s) determined to be responsible for an incident. If no Car is determined responsible, costs are shared equally among all Cars involved.
- 34.1.3 – Timed Pit Stops in Race Minimum pit time is 2.5 minutes (150 seconds) per stop.

**GENERAL-EVENT / TRACK INFORMATION**

- 1.37 - Officials For Endurance Events IMSA Officials and USAC Officials organize and regulate the Event.





3.7.2 - Driver Deadline/Fee: CoB Tue., Apr 21. 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., Apr. 27. \$500 is charged for late Declarations or Driver changes made after this deadline until the close of Sporting Checks.

9.4.14.A – Fuel Schedule: The VP depot is located in the Paddock. VP will deliver fuel to each Team’s pit box prior to Event load-in. To redirect delivery to the Paddock, please contact VP in advance of the Event.

A. Driver/TM Briefing: Briefing distributed May 7.

For questions at the Event, please contact the following as appropriate:

John Maesky	USAC Operations	<a href="mailto:john@usacnation.com">john@usacnation.com</a>	609-774-7862
Randy Hembrey	USAC Operations/Logistics	<a href="mailto:randy@usacnation.com">randy@usacnation.com</a>	847-809-3969
Crystal Ayers	USAC Logistics	<a href="mailto:crystal@usacnation.com">crystal@usacnation.com</a>	434-710-8936
Randy Buck	IMSA Race Director	<a href="mailto:randalbuck@imsa.com">randalbuck@imsa.com</a>	415-298-7018
Marisa Ross	IMSA Series Coordinator	<a href="mailto:meross@imsa.com">meross@imsa.com</a>	386-293-1474
Brian Wilson	IMSA Series Manager	<a href="mailto:bwilson@imsa.com">bwilson@imsa.com</a>	386-281-9494
Carol Mueller	IMSA Member Services	<a href="mailto:cmueller@imsa.com">cmueller@imsa.com</a>	386-262-8932
Scott Ellison	IMSA Technical	<a href="mailto:sellison@imsa.com">sellison@imsa.com</a>	734-621-9130
Paul Walter	IMSA Sporting Regulations	<a href="mailto:pwalter@imsa.com">pwalter@imsa.com</a>	614-598-6783
David Pees	IMSA Technology Operations	<a href="mailto:dpees@imsa.com">dpees@imsa.com</a>	386-308-8866
Tony DiZinno	IMSA Communications/Media	<a href="mailto:t-dizinno@imsa.com">t-dizinno@imsa.com</a>	623-202-7326
Ryan Mclean	IMSA Medical Liaison	<a href="mailto:rmclean@imsa.com">rmclean@imsa.com</a>	386-285-6913

B. Track Walk: N/A

1 – Nitrogen Supply Order Deadline: April 26<sup>th</sup>. Airgas, the exclusive nitrogen supplier, [motorsports@airgas.com](mailto:motorsports@airgas.com) or 800-367-4273

2 – Internet: Joey Krek, [joey.krek@thecircuit.com](mailto:joey.krek@thecircuit.com).

3 – Security: Ryan Harder, [ryan.harder@thecircuit.com](mailto:ryan.harder@thecircuit.com) or 737-899-5475.

4 – Mealtime/Hospitality: Driver & Crew Hospitality available at [IMSA AEC Tickets](#). Proof of the Pudding, Elaine Rizzulo [erizzulo@proofofpudding.com](mailto:erizzulo@proofofpudding.com).

5 – Motorhomes: Jade Callahan, [rvpark@thecircuit.com](mailto:rvpark@thecircuit.com)

6 – Golf Cart Rental: Kenfield Golf Carts, [info@kenfieldgolfcarts.net](mailto:info@kenfieldgolfcarts.net) or 512-258-8515.

7 – Truck Washing: Rolling Suds, Tim Hatch, [tim.hatch@rollingsuds.com](mailto:tim.hatch@rollingsuds.com) or 512-775-0435.

8 – Pit/Paddock Vehicles: Racetrack Requirements: N/A

9 – False Grid: Concrete Pad behind Building L.

10 – Spotter Information: N/A

11 – Parking Procedure: Designated area in the Paddock or along Tunnel Road.

12 – Photo/Video: Licensing agreements per Art.16.7.

13- Track Shipping: Packages 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 Monday to Friday and 8:00 am – 12:00 pm Saturday and Sunday.

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

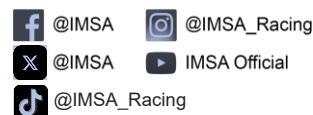
c/o Circuit of the Americas  
9201 Circuit of the Americas Blvd.  
Austin, TX 78617

**MEDICAL INFORMATION**

**Medical Center:** Building T, located in the south end of the paddock near Pit Exit. For after-hours medical, call 911

**Trauma Center:** Seton Medical Center at The University of Texas  
1500 Red River Street  
Austin, TX 78701

**Pharmacy Information:** CVS Pharmacy, 4500 Ross Road, Del Velle, TX 78617  
M-F 8:00AM-9:00PM Sat 9:00AM-6:00PM Sun 10:00AM-6:00PM  
H-E-B Pharmacy, 8801 S. Congress Ave, Austin, TX 78745  
M-F 8:00AM-8:00PM Sat 9:00AM-6:00PM Sun 10:00AM-5:00PM





MAPS

# TO TRANSPORTER STAGING

**Directions**

1. Take Elroy Rd to COTA Blvd
2. Enter Lot R and proceed to Transporter Staging

**Notes**

- Address: 7736 COTA Blvd, Del Valle, TX 78617



# TO TEAM PARKING

**Directions**

1. Enter through the Main Entrance using Circuit of the Americas Blvd
2. Proceed through Lot A to access the front straight tunnel
3. Stay left and enter the Paddock
4. Park in the designated Team Parking area

