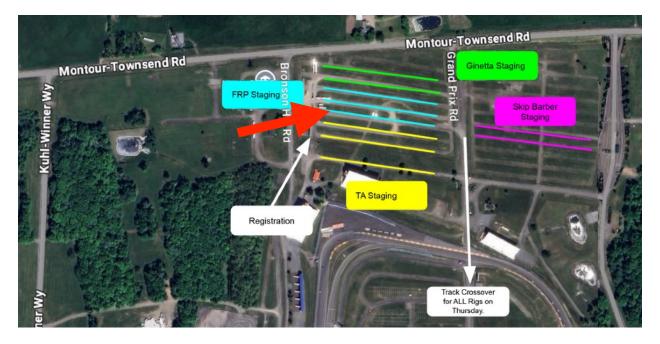


# **2025 Watkins Glen Written Meeting Notes**

## NOTE: This event is HOSTED BY TRANS AM. This is a busy spectator event weekend We expect a full paddock! - Pack your Patience!

**LOAD-IN:** Thursday 7/10/2025 **6:15 PM**. Series will direct/park all rigs. See Paddock Map for Staging location. **This a busy and specific load-in process.** DO NOT try and push your way through - DO NOT argue with series officials. Gates close at 8:00 pm per Trans Am - no further load-in until Friday at 7:00 am.



**REGISTRATION:** Everyone must stop in at registration and sign the track waiver AND the PMH event waiver. (FRP Hard card holders need only to sign the track waiver.) Waivers can be signed at the registration building during all posted registration hours. FRP registration hours at the building are limited, thereafter it is at the FRP series rig.

<u>Guests or crew arriving outside of registration hours will likely have to buy a ticket at the gate to enter the track. This is a spectator event.</u>

#### **Registration Hours: At Track - Building by the staging area.**

Thursday5:00pm - 8:00pm - FRP Registration here as wellFriday7:30am - 2:00pm - FRP Registration here as wellSaturday7:30am - 12:00pmSunday7:30am - 10:30am

### **DRIVER NOTES:**

**DRIVERS' MEETING:** <u>MANDATORY</u> for ALL FRP Drivers. Failure to attend may result in a fine of \$100.00. Meeting is at **11:15 AM Friday** 7/11/25 at The Media Center.

**FRP's Racing Rules** are detailed in the document titled <u>2025 Pro Racing Regulations</u>. This document can be found on the Series website under the Competitors tab as a quick link. Understand and follow them.

Understand penalties for session stoppages & blowing flags!!

**WATKINS GLEN TURN ONE**: the paved area on driver's left outside the painted rumble strips is not considered part of the racing surface.

Cars that place all 4 wheels to the left of the rumble strips - such that black paving can be seen between the rumble strips and the wheels of the car - may be penalized. During **practice** a driver warning flag may be shown. During **qualifying** that lap may be disallowed. During a **race** a time penalty may be administered. If a competitor continually or repeatedly runs in this area, additional penalties may be administered.

In the event it is obvious that the car was "pushed" outside by a competitor, no penalty will be administered. Also, during the first lap of a race, no penalty will be administered if it is determined that that area was, of necessity, the safest place to go.

Personnel at flag stations #1 and #2 are practiced and competent in calling in these events. In the event your car number is called in, only video proof is acceptable as evidence to counter that call.

**BUS STOP:** "Blowing" the bus stop; you must come to a full stop and be directed back onto the track by flaggers. You cannot gain advantage, either place or time. Penalties will include loss of lap during qualifying, time penalty during a race and a possible black flag anytime.

**BE EARLY TO THE GRID:** Cars will be placed in their qualified spot until the 1-minute mark, so long as it will not disrupt normal operations and does not create a safety hazard as determined by the Grid Marshal. *If multiple cars arrive with minutes left before release, they may not be placed in their assigned grid spot. Be early!* See FRP PRR Article 1.4.3.5 – 1.4.3.7 for more detail.

**SCHEDULE**: <u>Stay alert for schedule changes!!!</u> FRP stewards will use FRP radio "channel 1" as our official means to communicate schedule changes. When possible, we will also post an email; however, FRP channel 1 remains the primary communications with teams.

**RADIO FREQUENCY:** FRP requires all teams to monitor our Series frequency and the ability to communicate with their drivers from Pit Lane. FRP has transitioned to digital radios and SpeedCom is our official radio sponsor. Our digital radio frequency is 459.4625 with CC 7. For safety reasons, FRP will have stricter enforcement of this rule in 2025.

#### **RACE STARTS:**

- 1. No tire scrubbing in Pit Lane.
- 2. Pace Car speed will be approximately 55-60 MPH.
- 3. Start formation is 2 x 2 as determined by qualifying times.
- 4. Lights out on Pace Car signals form up 2 x 2.
- 5. Creating a gap to the pace car or another competitor is not permitted. All cars must maintain pace car speed until Green flag is displayed.
- 6. If the start is waved off double yellow flags will be displayed and *NO STAR*T announced to teams over series radio frequency. Cars to reform for 2x2 start next time by.
- 7. Passing is allowed when green flag is displayed.

#### **RESTARTS**:

- 1. Safety Car speed will be approximately 55-60 MPH.
- 2. Lights out on Pace Car signals "green flag this time by".
- 3. Creating a gap to the safety car or another competitor is not permitted.
- 4. If the start is waved off double yellow flags will be displayed and *NO STAR*T announced to teams over series radio frequency.
- 5. Single file when Safety Car pulls off the leader controls the pace.
- 6. Passing is allowed when green flag is displayed.

#### Pit Lane speed limit is 45 MPH

**BLEND LINES**: Observe and respect the blend lines both entering and exiting the pits. Penalties may be assessed for violations of the blend lines. Pit-In is drivers right just after Turn 17 and before the pedestrian bridge. Pit-Out is drivers right. Stay within the marked line or risk a penalty (and a crash).

**DISABLED ON THE TRACK:** if another race car can reach you, **stay belted in your car** until help arrives and directs you to exit the driver's compartment. Needless to say, this does not apply if you happen to be on fire. Do your best to get the car behind a barrier or near a flag station if possible.

Visor up is the signal driver is OK after incident. Additionally, if you can make eye contact with the corner marshal give them a "thumbs up" signal.

**AT WATKINS GLEN** - be aware that **flaggers are not permitted** inside the guard rail for any reason; incidents will be handled by emergency vehicles.

#### IMPOUND - All Classes:

Post Qualifying – Top 5 to report to Impound. Post all Races – Top 3 overall for all classes to report to Impound

Chief of Tech may choose additional cars by notifying team in pit lane or via announcement on the Series radio frequency.

**PODIUM:** Top three overall and top three masters from F1600, top three F2000 finishers, top three Atlantic 016, and top three Atlantic Open are to proceed from the track directly to the scales without stopping in Pit Lane (unless having an emergency). Once cars are weighed, Tech will release drivers to attend Podium celebrations. Podium location TBD.

**TRACK DAMAGE/OIL CLEANUP COST POLICY:** It has been and remains the policy of FRP that costs associated with either track damage or oil cleanup is the responsibility of the car that created the damage or dropped the oil, regardless of an "at fault" decision made by the FRP Stewards.

**TRACK ACCESS:** Gates at Watkins Glen are open 24 hours a day. However, from time to time during the overnight hours the guard may be away from the gate. Remain at the gate with your headlights on and the guard will return to allow you access

#### VIDEO CAMERA's:

• Competitors who choose to use video cameras are requested to start each race weekend with a "clean" MICRO SD card, so only the current weekend video files will be on the card. It is strongly encouraged to accurately set your camera's date & time!!!

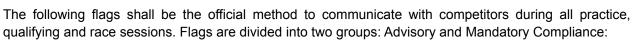
• Stewards requests to review on track incidents are mandatory and you must submit full length complete videos of the entire session.

• Please see FRP PRR for procedure for filing an official protest.

#### FLAGS - See Flag chart attached

In the event of a red flag, assume the track has a complete blockage somewhere. Slow to *non-competition* speed and be prepared to stop. If possible, it is permitted to return to the pits.





#### MISSING a Mandatory Compliance Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine.

Flag	Advisory Flags
	Displayed by the starter, signals the beginning or resumption of a session. FRP does NOT use a green flag, following a yellow caution area/incident. Racing resumes after an incident. No passing is from the yellow to after the incident that caused the yellow flag.
	Competitor warning displayed with number board. Shown at start/finish. Use proper driving conduct.
	Warns competitors that faster cars are approaching or a following car may be in their blind spot. Use caution and sportsmanship, allow racing room per FRP's PRR Article <b>1.6.17.4</b> , and do not make abrupt changes in direction.
μ <b>η</b>	Caution, the racing surface may be affected by fluids or debris.
	Caution, you are approaching a slow moving vehicle. WHITE WAVED at START/FINISH Indicates the last lap of a competition.
	WHITEWITHREDDIAGONALATSTART/FINISH: Emergency vehicles are on course.
Flag	Mandatory Compliance Flags — MISSING a Mandatory Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine.
	Black Flag All - Qualifying & Practice Sessions: A Black Flag is displayed at all stations, indicates that all competitors must return to the pits in an orderly, controlled fashion - No Racing. Passing is OK.
	Black Flag All - <u>Under Race Circumstances:</u> is to be considered the same as a Red Flag <u>NO PASSING IS ALLOWED.</u> <u>A Black Flag all, under race circumstances</u> , may, or may not, also be accompanied by a red flag.
#21	Black Flag with Number Board: A Black Flag is shown with competitors number from start/finish and designated station(s) on the circuit. Summons competitor to officials in pit lane for consultation and/or penalty. Competitor to comply on the next approach to pit entry.
	Informs competitor of a mechanical problem that may endanger the driver or other competitors. Shown with number board from start/ finish and designated station(s) on the circuit. Report immediately to assigned pit at reduced speed. The car may not rejoin the session until released by an FRP Official.
	<b>RED FLAG during a Race:</b> The session has been stopped. <u>NO PASSING IS ALLOWED</u> . Use caution, be prepared to stop, and proceed immediately to pit lane. Be prepared to encounter complete track blockage; if so park as far to the side of the track as possible, and proceed to the pits only when directed. Upon entering the pits, cars shall line up in the Fast Lane in the order they entered pit lane.
	Any YELLOW flag denotes a "no passing" zone. This zone starts at a perpendicular line across the track from the flag and ends at a perpendicular line across the track from the last component of the incident causing the yellow flag. The last component may be the car, driver, responding officials, other vehicles and/or large debris. Racing resumes after the incident.
	YELLOW, STANDING (STATIONARY): Use caution, however the incident is (should be) off the racing surface. There may be danger to you if you leave the racing surface. Have your car under complete control. Go through the no passing zone in single file. Expect a penalty if you lose control in the no passing zone, or if you are determined to have passed another car in the zone.
	YELLOW, WAVING: Use extreme caution. You are approaching an incident that has all or a portion of the racing surface blocked. You may have to change your line. You must be prepared to stop. Have your car under complete control. Go through the no passing zone in single file. Expect a penalty if you lose control in the no passing zone, or if you are determined to have passed another car in the zone.
	<b>NOTE:</b> You may encounter several yellow flags prior to reaching the incident. Passing is not permitted between the first yellow flag and the incident that caused the yellow flag. See the definition of the no passing zone above.
	<b>YELLOW, DOUBLE:</b> The flags will be displayed at all stations. Full course caution, slow down, use caution, no passing anywhere on the circuit. This may be used with or without a safety car. However in nearly all cases a safety car will be used. Gather in single file behind the safety car or the leader and prepare for a restart. The course remains under the full-course yellow condition until a green flag is displayed at start/finish.
<b>88</b> 8	Signals the completion of practice, qualifying or race. All cars shall exit the course once they have passed start/finish and received the checkered flag. — Missing a Checkered Flag may result in A MINIMUM \$150 Fine, per lap —

## **CREW CHIEF NOTES**:

**TIRE DECLARATION:** FRP requires tires to be properly declared by the competitor. All tires must be purchased through the HOOSIER FACTORY AT-TRACK provider. Hoosier will place a unique purple identification mark on the tires. It is the competitor's responsibility to obtain the unique yellow stamp applied to their tires by a Formula Race Promotions Tech official prior to any qualifying or race. Tech will make an effort to visit teams in the paddock, but it is suggested teams bring tires to the Scale/Impound area for stamping.

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Official announcements to teams will be made over this frequency.

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#### **Required Spec Fuel:**

F2000 Zetec powered cars and F1600 Honda Fit powered cars requiring 93 octane unleaded fuel—SUNOCO 93 octane unleaded fuel sold by Watkins Glen at the track is required.

F2000 Pinto powered cars and F1600 Kent powered cars, requiring 112 octane leaded fuel, SUNOCO 112 leaded fuel supplied by Watkins Glen at the track is required, or SUNOCO 93 octane unleaded sold by Watkins Glen, or 100LL AvGas as supplied by the competitor (requires prior approval from Watkins Glen).

Atlantics requiring 112 octane fuel, the SUNOCO 112 Octane leaded fuel or SUNOCO 101 Octane both supplied by Watkins Glen at the track is required.

NOTE: Watkins Glen does not permit fuel to be brought in by the competitor without prior track permission.

#### The Watkins Glen Fuel Station Hours are:

8:00am - 11:30am 12:00pm - 3:30pm

