

Goals

1. Maximize safety and “flow” in the Solo group during exercises and regular session.
2. Maintain a very high standard. Result: For the most demanding, advanced high performance drivers coming to CTMP, allow BMW Trillium Car Club to offer the highest quality solo lapping experience in comparison to (i) any other ADS or lapping day offered by any other organization at CTMP and (ii) Trillium’s existing “A” run group.

Process for Admission into Solo Group – and Remaining in the Solo Group

1. *Briefing by the student’s instructor of this Process and the Solo Group Criteria. Once this document is made available online to all students and instructors, this briefing can be replaced by asking the student to review this document.
2. *Recommendation to the CI for promotion to Solo Group by at least one Instructor using the Solo Group Criteria below. Evidenced by the instructor checking the box in the SLIP evaluation for recommended promotion to the permanent Solo Group.
3. *Check-out ride with a more experienced instructor assigned by the CI.
4. *To improve the quality of the checkout ride, the more experienced instructor may partner with another Solo student running separately in the checkout session to create scenarios with a second car. E.g. offering pass on wrong side, passing into turns 5A, 5B, 9 and 10.
5. *Recommendation to the CI for promotion to Solo Group by that checkout instructor using the Solo Group Criteria below.
6. Briefing (in person or by phone) between the student and the Solo Group leader. Briefing will discuss expectations and culture of the Solo Group.
7. *Recommendation to the CI for promotion to Solo Group by the Solo Group leader.
8. *Approval by the CI after discussion with all of (i) the original instructor, (ii) the Solo checkout instructor and (iii) the Solo Group leader.
9. Drivers in the Solo Group are encouraged to report to the Solo Group leader instances where any driver in the Solo Group demonstrates a behaviour which deviates from the Solo Group Criteria below.
10. The Solo Group leader will generally communicate to any driver in the Solo Group observations of deviations in behaviour from the Solo Group criteria. Should the behaviours continue after this communication, then the Solo Group leader may recommend to the CI that the driver be transferred from Solo Group to a different run group (or not run in Solo sessions, if the driver is an instructor). All of the above steps in this process will need to be repeated at a subsequent ADS for re-admission of that driver to the Solo Group.

Solo Group Criteria

The following criteria should be applied by instructors and the CI in order to recommend or approve promotion to Permanent Solo. Continued compliance with these criteria is also required for continued participation in the Solo Group:

1. SLIP rating L5 or above in all categories.
2. If the student has never driven at CTMP, than that student must be an instructor or Solo equivalent driver with a reputable HPDE organization.

3. The following must be observed by the recommending instructor and by the checkout instructor:
- a. After discussion of these Solo Group Criteria with the student, the student expressed no concerns or disagreement with respect to continued compliance.
 - b. Driving skill consistent with SLIP rating near top for A student.
 - c. Student demonstrated knowing the line at CTMP.
 - d. Student demonstrated perfect awareness of traffic behind. i.e. Consistently allowed passing without delay. (If the driver is too fast for anyone to pass him, then instruct the driver to reduce speed for a couple of laps.)
 - e. Student allowed passing into turns 5A, 5B, 9 and 10 (without being prompted by the instructor).
 - f. Student demonstrated early awareness of flags or incidents ahead, if any.
 - g. Student waived off any and all passes offered on the “wrong” side (per Trillium passing rules).
 - h. Student never offered a pass to another car on the “wrong” side.
 - i. Student demonstrated ability to continually verbally speak with the instructor throughout full lap without impacting driving. Well composed in traffic.
 - j. Student was patient/respectful of others on track. Complied with the expected culture of the run-group. ADS behaviour – not racer behaviour.
 - k. Student willing to experiment with suggestions provided by the instructor.
 - l. If the checkout ride occurred during a Solo Group exercise, then the student complied with all of the exercise rules that were communicated in the Solo Group briefing earlier that day.
 - m. If the student had been previously moved from Solo Group to a different run-group for a behaviour which did not comply with one or more of these criteria, then the instructor and checkout instructor must specifically observe that these particular behaviours have been resolved. Multiple checkout rides or coordination with other Solo drivers may be required to create the environment or situation to allow the corrected behaviour to be observed.

Exceptions

The above process or criteria may be modified in an exceptional circumstance, but only with the approval of all of: (i) the CI, (ii) Chair of DEC, and (iii) the Solo Group leader.

Examples of possible exceptions:

- An experienced racer at CTMP and/or other major tracks.
- A veteran driver, averaging 10 weekends/year for the last 20 years, who has been to many of the big tracks with reputable HPDE organizations.

Requirements marked with “*” are waived for existing Solo Group drivers and new Solo Group drivers who were told prior to the June ADS that they could register as Solo.