

# 2017 TIME ATTACK & DRIFT PROGRAM (TAD)

The Time Attack and Drift (TAD) program at Pikes Peak International Raceway (PPIR) is designed for drivers of all skill levels. Once a month from February through October (weather permitting) ten (10) events will take place in various configurations. Open drift will be featured at every TAD event in 2017.

## **2017 PPIR TIME ATTACK & DRIFT SCHEDULE**

February 19	Open Drift	OPTIMA Course Practice Event
March 12	Open Drift	DOUBLE-CROSS Time Attack
April 9	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 1
May 7	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 2
June 4	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 3
July 2	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 4
July 30	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 5
August 20	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 6
September 17	Open Drift	Time Attack Series Rd. 7
October 15	Open Drift	OPTIMA Course Time Attack Rd. 8

Please refer to the 2017 PPIR TAD – Time Attack document for full details on Time Attack Activities.

## **PPIR 2017 DRIFT COLORADO SERIES OVERVIEW**

Drift Colorado will NOT be hosting events during the PPIR TAD events in 2017. Drift Colorado events will be held on separate dates in 2017: May 27, May 28, July 23, September 24.

## **OPEN DRIFT**

Open Drift will allow for a plentiful amount of driving time for Tandem and Single drift runs. Drifting is defined as a driver sliding their car sideways (oversteering) through a sequence of corners on a designated course. Each event throughout the 2017 season will utilize different course layouts and specific objectives for the drivers. At some events PPIR may setup two (2) separate drift courses in order to maximize the amount of driving time for participants.

#### **OPEN DRIFT FORMAT**

- **I. Technical Inspection:** Vehicles participating in Time Attack events will be subject to a self-technical inspection in order to ensure the vehicle meets all of the requirements listed under the Vehicle Preparation section. Vehicles will be looked over by a PPIR official.
- II. Morning Drivers Meeting: The track layout(s) will be explained in thorough detail, and important safety concerns and other course/driver related components will be explained to the participants by a PPIR official.
- **III. Lead Follow:** A slow speed lead/follow will help define the course layout after the drivers meeting. All participants are encouraged to drive or ride in the lead/follow course drive through.
- **IV. Practice Runs:** The track will open for practice runs to all participants. Separate lines of cars will be formed in order to allow for Tandem qualified cars and Single Run only cars to be separated.
- V. Lunch Break: A lunch break will take place for one (1) hour from noon to 1pm. Open Drift will resume after the lunch break until 4pm.
- **VI. Gates Close:** PPIR will close the gates at 5pm, so make sure to be packed up and out of the facility in a timely manner upon the completion of the event at 4pm.

## **DRIFT VEHICLE / DRIVER / PASSENGER ELIGIBILITY**

Vehicles NOT eligible to participate include, but are not limited to; go-karts, motorcycles, scooters, 3-wheel vehicles, side-by-sides, buggies, off-road vehicles, most trucks, jeeps, most 4x4 vehicles, and vans. The eligibility of a vehicle to participate is ultimately at the discretion of PPIR. Other vehicles that may not be allowed on track are older cars with inadequate brake systems (drum brakes) and/or safety features. If you are uncertain whether your vehicle will qualify to participate, please consult the PPIR Track Manager.

**Convertibles**: PPIR does not allow cars to drive that lack proper rollover protection. Any car with adequate factory rollover protection will be allowed to drive on track. A convertible car without adequate factory rollover protection will be eligible for driving only if it is equipped with a roll hoop. The roll hoop can be bolt in or welded, but must provide a full hoop with down bars from the corners of the hoop triangulating toward the rear of the car. The roll hoop must pass the "broom stick test" where a line connecting the top of the roll hoop to the bottom of the windshield must clear the driver's helmet. PPIR highly recommends that cars using this type of rollover protection also utilize a five-point safety belt system. PPIR reserves the right to disallow any car from participating in Open Drift.

- Drivers must be 16 years of age or older. Any minor must have a minor's release with PPIR executed.
- Passengers are allowed who are 16 years of age or older. Any minor must have a minor's release with PPIR executed.
- Passengers are allowed in tandem runs (see rules below).
- All persons (drivers and passengers) must be wearing a helmet that is DOT rated or better.
- Passengers and drivers must keep limbs and body inside of the car at all times when on course (no arms out of the windows).

#### **TANDEM RUN ELIGIBILITY**

Vehicles eligible to drive in tandem drift runs must be equipped with the following safety features: <u>CLICK THIS LINK FOR REQUIRED VEHICLE SAFETY EQUIPMENT (provided by Drift Colorado)</u> at www.driftcolorado.com/tech. Tandem drivers must have a Snell SA2005 or newer helmet, **no DOT helmets allowed in tandem**. Passengers are allowed in tandem runs however the passenger side of the car must meet all rules listed for the driver side of the car (proper seat, harness, SA2005+ helmet, etc.). PPIR reserves the right to not allow any vehicle on track which it deems to be unsafe or unsuited for track driving.

#### **VEHICLE PREPARATION**

All vehicles must pass technical inspection prior to entering the racing surface. It is the responsibility of each individual to make certain that his or her vehicle is track worthy. PPIR reserves the right to not allow any vehicle on track which it deems to be unsafe or unsuited for track driving. The following items should be thoroughly inspected/set before arriving to the raceway:

- ✓ Tires (sidewalls clear of damage, valve stems, etc.),
- ✓ Tire pressures are properly set (no driving on flat tires)
- ✓ All lug nuts are present and torque is set (refer manufacturer specifications)
- √ Hubcaps and trimmings (if not secured by lug nuts) are removed from vehicle
- √ No play in wheel bearings
- ✓ Minimal play in steering linkage
- ✓ Brake system in good condition (pads, rotors, lines, etc.)
- ✓ Fluid levels are set (Engine oil, transmission fluid, power steering, coolant, brake fluid, etc.)
- ✓ No fluid leaks from the vehicle of any kind
- ✓ DOT or better helmet for driver and passenger (passengers only allowed in Single Run drift)
- √ Vehicle is free of loose items (including the trunk)
- ✓ Battery is properly secured
- √ No exposed electrical wires
- ✓ Hoses and lines are securely fastened and routed properly and safely
- ✓ Fully functional seat belts in good condition (factory stock or better required)
- ✓ Vehicle interior / exterior must be free and clear of sharp exposed edges
- ✓ No part of the vehicle may be dragging on the ground