

# CVAR Newcomer Briefing Guide

This briefing guide should be used to support a face to face briefing given by the CVAR safety staff. It is not to be used for a driver self read briefing. Use your words, and use the words below to “guide” you through. Small groups OK.

**Attitude**—CVAR is social organization centered around racing vintage cars. It is not a racing group organized around wantabee racecar drivers.

**Passing**—the responsibility for a clean pass is ALWAYS on the passing car. Even if a car is holding you up, YOU have the responsibility to pass clean. Most drivers will gladly move out of your way. Be patient. Let faster cars by, and pass them again if you are so good.

**Blocking**—Not tolerated. If you are blocking, you will be brought in and counseled. Repeated blocking may put you on the trailer. Or sent home.

**Contact**—100% avoidable. Expect ramifications from contact.

**Post Contact**—YOU have to find the safety staff. Even if you don’t think you are at fault. You find us. We listen and ask questions. You will be required to fill out a report. Take time to make it complete and neat.

**Guest**—you are a guest with us. Behave like one. We want you to have a good time and come back. Please don’t put us in the position of not inviting you back

**Welcome (Back)**—things have changed, for the better since you drove last.

**Driver etiquette**—If you have a problem with another driver, you need to talk to them first. Do not let it fester. He probably didn’t even know he did what ever it was, and will be more aware next time. We don’t drive enough to have global SA all the time. Cool down, and be constructive. Not hostile.

**Driver Etiquette 2**—if a driver approaches you...LISTEN. He is not being rude. He is genuinely concerned and has every right to talk to you. Make a new friend.

**Flag Test** – Show the flag test. Very poor knowledge of the flags may be grounds to deny entry. Send them back to study and come back later. One or 2—OK to train.