

# SCC Autocross Safety Overview

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The purpose of this overview is to describe how Santa Clara Corvettes (SCC) runs autocross events safely, including responsibilities of key individuals and relevant regulatory documents. The overall approach reflects SCC's enhanced safety program as of Sept. 2021, wherein we reviewed our procedures and integrated aspects of the Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) approach to Autocross (or SOLO) Safety.

The Santa Clara Corvettes Motorsports Director(s) are responsible for all aspects of an autocross event. For any given event, they will take on and/or assign others to be responsible for the following areas of activity:

1. **Event Chairman** - Responsible for all activity unique to the event, including activity before, during, and immediately after the event. This includes a wide array of tasks that must be completed for each day of autocross. Tasks related to safety are an important subset of the overall program. The chairman ensures that all safety-related activities are performed per the applicable documents listed below – in particular, this document and SCC Autocross Definition & Rules. Note that a Motorsports Director is often the Event Chairman.
2. **Safety Stewards (SS's)** - Responsible for monitoring and approving all safety aspects of an event. Also assigned by the Motorsports Director, Safety Stewards are key as they focus primarily on event safety. The SS role is defined in the SCC Autocross Safety Steward Program document.
3. **Course Designer** - Responsible for layout and design of the competition course, as well as identifying the location of the staging area (grid), start & finish areas, timing & scoring, and workstations. Course design must be in compliance with SCC Autocross Definition & Rules and SCC AX Safety Steward Program, as well as the safety aspects of "Solo Course Design Challenges 2016" by Roger Johnson (an SCCA document we have adopted).
4. **Drivers Meeting Announcer** - A drivers' meeting is held once before the morning run groups and again before the afternoon run groups. All

drivers must gather around the registration area for this meeting. It covers key information and rules for the day's event. The person leading the meeting has an important role in promoting safety at the event by making the participants aware of their safety-related responsibilities. Meeting content is given in [SCC Autocross Drivers Meeting](#).

5. **Vehicle Tech Inspection** - The SCC Tech Inspectors play a role in helping to ensure that cars are safely prepared for the event. Drivers are solely responsible for ensuring that their cars comply with the [SCC AX Vehicle Inspection](#) document. However, the SCC tech inspectors monitor cars and may perform limited inspections of the cars to confirm compliance with section 4.3 of [SCC Autocross Definitions & Rules](#).

#### Applicable Safety Documents

The following is the list of all safety-related documents described above. They are available on the SCC website under Member Documents (<http://sccorvettes.org/dashboard/member-documents/>)

[SCC Autocross Safety Overview](#) (this document)

[SCC Autocross Definition & Rules](#)

[SCC Autocross Safety Steward Program](#)

[SCC Autocross Drivers Meeting](#)

[SCC Autocross Vehicle Inspection](#)

[SCCA Solo Course Design Challenges 2016](#) by Roger Johnson