



# SCHATTENBAUM REGION

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## 2021 Safety Inspection Checklist

**This safety inspection must be completed within 1 month prior to the designated Drivers Education event.  
The completed form, with no failed items, must be presented at Grid Tech at the track.**

Each track event participant is primarily responsible for the safety of his or her car and should know the condition of all items on this list. The owner must remain with and operate their car as requested by the safety inspector.

**All drivers must supply ALL of the following:**

Event _____	Event Dates _____	Car Number _____
Driver name _____	D.O.B. _____	
Drivers Lic. # _____	State _____	
Email _____	Tel # _____	
Vehicle Type/Model _____	Year _____	Lic. Plate/State _____

**SAFETY INSPECTOR must complete the following: (\* See "Inspection Notes" page for details)**

Pass	Fail	Check the following with car on ground:
		1. <b>Brake Lights:</b> Must be functional
		2. <b>Windshield and Windows:</b> No cracks in field of view, functional wipers
		3. <b>Mirrors:</b> At least one rear view mirror, securely mounted
		4.* <b>Fire Extinguisher:</b> Recommended for advanced run group cars - inspect if present
		5.* <b>Helmet:</b> Full-face recommended, Snell 2015 or newer, SA or M rating – <i>See notes!</i>
		6. <b>Pedal:</b> Free return, firm brake pedal
		7.* <b>Seat Belts / Safety Harnesses:</b> <i>New requirements - See notes!</i>
		8.* <b>Roll Bar:</b> Req'd on all convertible and open cars <i>New requirements - See notes!</i>
		9.* <b>Brake Fluid:</b> Sufficient level, clean, bled prior to event
		10. <b>Doors:</b> Must be operational from inside and outside
		11. <b>Battery:</b> Securely mounted, no acid leaks or corrosion
		12. <b>Fan Belts:</b> Tight and in good condition
		13.* <b>Throttle Return:</b> Freely operating linkage and good springs
		14.* <b>Auxiliary Equipment:</b> video, phone, G-analyst, radar det., sound eq.
Pass	Fail	Check the following from below the car:
		15.* <b>Front Suspension:</b> No excessive looseness
		16. <b>Wheel Bearings:</b> Proper adjustment
		17.* <b>Brakes:</b> Sufficient brake linings or pads (50% min.)
		18.* <b>Wheels:</b> No cracks, bends, lug nuts torqued to 90 ft-lb min.
		19.* <b>Tires:</b> Good condition, 3/32" min. tread depth (except race tires), all same type
		20. <b>Fluid Leaks:</b> No leaks of any fluid, check fuel filler cap seal.
		21. <b>Exhaust System:</b> Securely fastened and in acceptable condition
		22. <b>Rear Suspension:</b> No looseness, check half-shaft bolts and axle stub nuts
		23. <b>Rust:</b> No excessive rust or damage to suspension/chassis parts

**INSPECTOR NOT LIABLE FOR THE SAFETY OF THIS VEHICLE**

Inspector

\_\_\_\_\_  
Name – Please Print

\_\_\_\_\_  
Shop/Facility Name or Stamp

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

**I acknowledge that I am ultimately responsible for the safety of my car.**

Driver

\_\_\_\_\_  
Signature

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date

## \*Inspection Notes

4. FIRE EXTINGUISHER: Recommended in Advanced run group cars. If present, must be securely mounted (metal-to-metal) in reach of driver. Must be BC or ABC rated, 2.5 lb. minimum and fully charged.
5. HELMETS: Must carry a Snell M-2015 or SA-2015 or newer certification. Open-faced helmet permitted in factory-spec cars (i.e. no performance modifications) equipped with functioning air bag systems. Present at grid tech.
7. SEAT BELTS / SAFETY HARNESSSES: Driver and passenger must have the same level of protection in both belts and seats, including use of head & neck restraint devices. **All drivers using multi-point harness systems MUST use a head & neck restraint device (e.g. HANS).** Head and neck restraints devices must be either SFI 38.1 or FIA 8858 approved. All harness systems must include a properly secured antisubmarine strap and must be used with a seat having appropriate harness slots.. Shoulder strap angle must be no more than 40 deg. from shoulder slot to anchor point. **No 4-point harnesses allowed without manufacturer's documentation that harness system is specifically designed for the car.** See <https://www.pca.org/driver-education-minimum-standards> for specific Porsche models that accept the Schroth 4-point harness.

All cars running with open tops MUST have full harnesses and arm restraints. ALL aftermarket harnesses must have SFI or FIA certification labels and are good for 5 years from the manufactured date. Harness guide bars must not be used as anchor points for belts.

See the PCA website <https://www.pca.org/driver-education-minimum-standards> for seat and harness requirements and guidelines.

8. ROLL BARS: Must be covered with closed cell foam padding in any place where a helmet could come in contact with the bar. All open cars (e.g. cabriolets) MUST have roll bars, whether running with the top on or off. NOTE: NJMP requires pre-deployment of any pop-up bar. If your car's bar cannot be deployed it will not be permitted at NJMP. Sunroofs must be closed while on the track. Broomstick rule must be met: While seated in the normal position and wearing an approved helmet, the top of an occupant's helmet must be at least two inches below a line extending from the top of the portion of the roll bar (or hoop) directly behind the head to the top of the windshield directly in front of the occupant.
9. BRAKE FLUID: Sufficient brake fluid (DOT 3 or 4 recommended). Brakes should be bled prior to all high speed track events. Recommend that brake fluid be changed at least annually.
13. THROTTLE RETURN: Check linkage for free operation and strong return spring(s).
14. AUXILIARY EQUIPMENT: Check mounting installation of all permanent auxiliary equipment. Non-permanently mounted equipment must be removed prior to final grid tech. Use of in-car video equipment is restricted to those run groups not requiring instructors.
15. FRONT SUSPENSION: No excessive looseness in steering or suspension. Lower trailing arm to radius arm tight; axle and shock bolts tight; tie rods secure; axle boots and oil seals in good condition; no play in control arms ball joints.
17. BRAKES: Pad thickness of 50% or more. No cuts or abrasions in brake lines. Inspect rotors for cracks. Cracks from holes in drilled rotors should not extend to adjacent holes or to edge of rotor.
18. WHEELS: No cracks. No bends. All lug nuts fully engaged and torqued to manufacturer's spec. Pay special attention to aftermarket wheels. Must be TUV approved.
19. TIRES: No cracks or plugs. Min. 3/32" tread depth on contact patch area (except race tires). Extra wide tires, wheels and fender flares subject to inspector approval. All tires should be of the same manufacturer and type.

