

IMPORTANT REQUIREMENTS FOR 2026 NEW JERSEY CHAPTER DRIVER SCHOOLS

THIS FORM IS ALL-NEW FOR 2026 – See pp. 3-4 for inspection guidelines.

This form contains fillable fields, in which vehicle and participant information can be typed before printing. Please use this feature to help our dedicated Tech crew! (Note: Inspection check boxes are not pre-fillable.)

PRINT THE LAST TWO (2) PAGES OF THIS FILE ON A SINGLE SHEET OF PAPER.

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HELMETS MUST BE **SNELL SA2020** or **SA2025** for all NJ Chapter BMW CCA Events.

Snell SA2015 helmets are expired and are no longer accepted!

REQUIREMENTS FOR EVENTS AT NEW JERSEY MOTORSPORTS PARK

- **NO ELECTRIC OR HYBRID VEHICLES.**
- FULL-FACE HELMETS w/VISOR (eyepoint/face shield) are **MANDATORY**, **except** in vehicles with stock interior and unmodified, functional airbag systems (SRS).
- Aftermarket belts and harnesses must be less than two (2) years old (SFI approval) or five (5) years old (FIA approval).

Note these restrictions are specified by NJMP and the NJ State Police.

In the event of inclement weather, at the discretion of event management, cars without properly operating headlights, tail lights, and windshield wipers will not be allowed on the track.

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Inspection Guidelines/Instructions

The Pre-Event Technical/Safety Inspection must include, but need not be limited to, the following items. Additional items should be included by the inspector to assure the safe condition of the vehicle.

1. GENERAL: No excessive body or chassis corrosion. No loose or improperly secured parts or equipment.

2. PORTABLE ELECTRONICS & MOUNTS (i.e., cameras, phones, data loggers, transponders, etc.)

Mark this item **NA** if you have no such devices or will remove them for the duration of the event.

- **Interior unit(s):** Rigidly mounted and tethered; or, suction mounted and tethered **only if** within 10" of the passenger A-pillar. **NO** interior adhesive mounts. **NO** helmet mounted devices except in-car communicators. Tethers should be high-tensile webbing or steel cable. Tethers must be short enough to prevent any device from contacting the driver if the mount were to fail. The foregoing does not apply to lightweight "bullet cams" (e.g., Garmin Catalyst), provided such cameras are securely mounted per the manufacturer's instructions.
- **Exterior unit(s):** Rigid tow-hook mount preferred. Adhesive mounts acceptable **only if** OE specific to the camera. **NO** exterior suction-cup mounts.

3. GLAZING: Secure, good condition, and no excessive cracks.

Aftermarket tinting must be pre-approved by Chief of Tech.

4. LIGHTING: All headlights, tail lights, and brake lights (including "third" brake light) **must** work. Operational hazard flashers are strongly recommended.

5. WINDSHIELD WIPERS: Functional and with blades/inserts in good condition.

6. MIRRORS: Securely mounted inside rear-view, outside driver, and (for student cars) outside passenger mirrors.

7. SEATS: Securely mounted. **Passenger and driver seats MUST BE EQUIVALENT in student cars.**

8. BELTS/HARNESSSES (all vehicles): Securely mounted, sound condition, 3-point minimum, equivalent at both seats.

- a) **NON-OE Restraints:** Installed per manufacturer and BMW CCA Club Racing guidelines, equivalent at both seats.
- b) **NON-OE 4-point:** Must retain original equipment 3-point harnesses for both seats.

9. PEDALS: Secure, with proper actuation and foot pads in good condition. No interference with carpet or padding. No excessive brake-pedal travel. Accelerator pedal (and linkage, if applicable) must have free return and no binding throughout full travel range.

10. STEERING: No excessive play, clunking, or binding. Box and/or rack mounts OK. If the vehicle is equipped with a steering wheel/column lock, the **steering MUST NOT LOCK until the key or fob is removed.**

11. WHEELS: Proper offset to ensure no tire contact with body or suspension. No cracked or bent rims. All lug nuts or bolts present and properly torqued.

12. TIRES: Front tires same size each side. Rear tires same size each side. Adequate tread for wet track. No bubbles, cracks, or cord evident. Less than six (6) years old.

13. BRAKE FLUID: Adequate level. No leakage. **BRAKE FLUID MUST BE LESS THAN EIGHT (8) MONTHS OLD.** On heavily tracked cars we recommend flushing a few ounces from each caliper between events.

14. DRIVE & HALF SHAFTS: No loose joints or cracked boots. Center bearing and transmission coupling (giubo) in good condition.

15. DRIVELINE MOUNTS: Engine, transmission, differential, and subframe mounts all in good condition. No excessive motion permitted.

16. SUSPENSION: Mounting and pivot points in good condition. Adequate damping. No excessive side-to-side height variation.

17. BRAKES: At least 1/2 lining thickness remaining. No cracks, abrasions, or corrosion on hoses and lines. Rotors and drums within manufacturer's wear and runout tolerances. No master cylinder bleed-down under steady pedal pressure. Equalization OK per road test.

18. WHEEL BEARINGS: Properly adjusted (if applicable). No excessive looseness. No roughness. No lubricant leakage.

19. BATTERY: Securely mounted. No electrolyte leaks. Vent tube properly fitted (if applicable).

- 20. DRIVE BELTS:** Good condition. Properly tensioned. No roughness or excessive axial play in idler or tensioner pulleys. All fasteners properly torqued.
- 21. FLUIDS/LEAKS:** All fluid-reservoir caps in place and tight. All fluids filled to or above minimum levels. No coolant, brake fluid or steering fluid leaks. No excessive oil leaks.
- 22. FUEL, OIL, & COOLANT HOSES:** Good condition. Clamps tight. No cracks, swelling, abrasion, or other deterioration.
- 23. EXHAUST:** Muffled, securely mounted, good condition. No missing, cracked or deteriorated hangers.
- 24. MODEL-SPECIFIC CONCERNS:** Known problems of specific vehicles makes and models. These items may only be marked NA for vehicles *other than* those specifically listed.
- a) **BMW E30 6-cylinder models:** No contact between power-steering-pump pulley & lower-radiator hose.
 - b) **BMW E36:** NJ Chapter document on the power steering return-hose problem has been reviewed and necessary modifications have been made.
 - c) **BMW E36 & E46:** Chassis OK (no cracks) in areas of rear subframe mounts, rear shock absorber mounts, and trailing arm mountings. Welded reinforcements (if present) in good condition.



BMW Car Club Of America New Jersey Chapter, Inc.

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DRIVER SCHOOL PRE-EVENT TECHNICAL/SAFETY INSPECTION FORM

Driver School participants are **solely** responsible for the safe condition of vehicles to be driven to, at, and from this event. The vehicle must undergo a technical/safety inspection no more than four (4) weeks prior to the event. The inspection must be performed by a qualified individual who is familiar with the make and model of the vehicle. The participant(s) must document the inspection by legibly completing and signing (at the time of inspection) this inspection form which must be presented to NJ Chapter personnel at the event. The participant(s) will not be allowed to drive the vehicle on the track or skidpad without NJ Chapter approval of the signed and completed inspection form. **The participant(s) must sign this form regardless of who actually inspects the vehicle.**

PLEASE LEGIBLY PRINT (*in ink*) THE FOLLOWING INFORMATION:

| Participant #1 | | Participant #2 |
|--|----------|-------------------------------|
| Name: | | Name: |
| Vehicle Information | | |
| Make: | Model: | VIN: |
| Year: | Mileage: | Date of pre-event inspection: |
| Month and year of most recent brake fluid change ⇨ | | |

The Pre-Event Technical/Safety Inspection must include, but need not be limited to, the following items. Indicate **by hand** with or the items which are deemed acceptable. Mark **NA** for items not present/inapplicable to vehicle. See instructions for detailed inspection requirements in each category.

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|----------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|--------------------------------------------------------------------------------------|-------------------------|
| Spot check                                                                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 1. GENERAL CONDITION: No major corrosion or loose parts                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 14. DRIVE & HALF SHAFTS: No loose joints/cracked boots      | UNDERHOOD<br>Spot check |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 2. PORTABLE ELECTRONICS & MOUNTS: See instructions                                       | <input type="checkbox"/> 15. DRIVELINE MOUNTS: Good condition; minimal motion        |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 3. GLAZING: Secure; no large cracks                                                      | <input type="checkbox"/> 16. SUSPENSION: Mounts, pivots sound; adequate damping      |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 4. LIGHTING: Fully functional                                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> 17. BRAKES: >50% lining thickness; rotors/drums within spec |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 5. WINDSHIELD WIPERS: Functional; good condition                                         | <input type="checkbox"/> 18. WHEEL BEARINGS: No roughness/leaks/excess play          |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 6. MIRRORS: Inside & outside securely mounted                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> 19. BATTERY: Secure; no leaks                               |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 7. SEATS: Securely mounted; equiv. both sides (student cars)                             | <input type="checkbox"/> 20. DRIVE BELTS: Good condition; proper tension             |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 8. BELTS/HARNESSES (all): secure; good condition; 3-point minimum; equivalent both seats | <input type="checkbox"/> 21. FLUIDS/LEAKS: No coolant/brake/PS leaks; caps tight     |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> a) Non-OE Restraints: Installed per mfr & CCA requirements                               | <input type="checkbox"/> 22. FUEL, OIL & COOLANT HOSES: No deterioration             |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> b) Non-OE 4-point: Must retain factory 3-points                                          | <input type="checkbox"/> 23. EXHAUST: Muffled; secure; hangers in good condition     |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> Equivalent roll-cage padding required for student cars.                                  | <input type="checkbox"/> 24. MODEL-SPECIFIC CONCERNS ( <i>see instructions!</i> )    |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 9. PEDALS: Secure; good pads; proper actuation; no binding                               | <input type="checkbox"/> a) BMW E30 6-cyl: Power steering pump interference          |                         |
|                                                                                        | <input type="checkbox"/> 10. STEERING: No excess play/clunking/binding                                            | <input type="checkbox"/> b) BMW E36: Power steering return hose                      |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 11. WHEELS: No cracks or bends; properly torqued              | <input type="checkbox"/> c) BMW E36 & E46: Rear chassis hardpoints                                                |                                                                                      |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 12. TIRES: No bubbles/cracks/cord; adequate tread; <6 yrs old | I am aware of the NJ Chapter warnings & recommendations regarding these problems.                                 |                                                                                      |                         |
| <input type="checkbox"/> 13. BRAKE FLUID: Adequate level; <8 months old                | [To be initialed & dated at event Tech] _____                                                                     |                                                                                      |                         |

PRE-CHECK APPROVAL

FORM APPROVED & ACCEPTED BY BMW CCA NEW JERSEY CHAPTER, INC.

# TECHNICAL/SAFETY INSPECTION WAIVER

I hereby certify that the above-described vehicle has been carefully examined by a qualified individual to verify that all of the foregoing items meet or exceed the standards required. I understand that I am solely responsible for the safe condition and operation of the vehicle and that the NJ Chapter, BMW CCA, Inc., its members, and other event participants are not liable for any vehicle problems, vehicle damage, personal injury, or property damage which may occur in connection with the operation of the vehicle prior, during, or subsequent to the Driver School and shall be held harmless from any such claims. Moreover, I certify that all persons (other than instructors) who will operate the vehicle at the Driver School have reviewed and signed this document. Further, I certify that I possess a valid motor-vehicle driver license and that I am at least eighteen years of age.

PARTICIPANT NAME(S) and SIGNATURE(S)

(PRINT)

(SIGN)

(PRINT)

(SIGN)

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**VEHICLE SPOT-CHECK (AT DISCRETION OF NJ CHAPTER) AND APPROVAL OF INSPECTION REPORT**

## PARTICIPANT ACKNOWLEDGEMENT

I, being a participant in the NJ Chapter, BMW CCA, Inc. Driver School, do hereby agree and acknowledge as follows:

1. That the safe condition and operation of the above-described vehicle are entirely my responsibility and that the NJ Chapter, BMW CCA, Inc. and/or its members cannot be held liable or responsible for any vehicle problems, malfunctions, or damage or personal injury which may occur in connection with the operation of this vehicle prior, during, or subsequent to the Driver School.
2. That the event-eve or event-day spot-check which may have been performed on the above-described vehicle is NOT intended to certify that the vehicle has in fact been properly prepared and inspected for this high speed driving event. Further, I understand that not all participant vehicles receive the spot-check.
3. That in performing the spot-check, no representation or warranties, express or implied, are made by the NJ Chapter, BMW CCA, Inc. or its members regarding the vehicle's road worthiness for street driving or for the Driver School.
4. That at all times I remain solely responsible for the safe condition and road worthiness of the above vehicle, and that I am not relying on the event-eve or event-day spot-check in deciding whether to drive the vehicle.

PARTICIPANT SIGNATURES

Date

Participant #1

(Optional) Shop stamp

Participant #2