

NHSCC Course Safety and Layout Rules

- Gates must be at least 15 ft. wide.
- Slaloms or slalom like elements must be at least 45 ft. between cones.
- Minimum viewing areas must not be less than 75 ft. from the course edge.
- The course boundary should not pass closer than 25 ft. from solid objects.
- Unless protected by substantial barriers, non-participant areas must be roped off.
- Gate exits should direct the car generally to the next gate.
- Maximum speeds should not exceed ~60 mph for at any point of the course.
- Maximum turn speeds should not exceed ~45 mph.
- A long straight should not terminate in an extremely sharp turn.
- Markers (cones) should identify inner and outer course edges. Solid objects should not mark course boundaries.
- Cars on the course at the same time shall not run in close proximity to each other.
- Extreme care should be exercised in placement of the start, finish, staging, and timing areas. Courses must start at the top of the North Park lot, and finish at the bottom.
- The last turn should be as tight as possible and the finishing straight tightly defined.
- A sufficient distance should be provided after the finish line to allow the car to be stopped without locking the brakes or maneuvering wildly.
- Entrance and exit lanes shall enter the course at separate points. The top of the lot must be used for starts. The bottom of the lot must be used for finishes.
- Long straights shall not terminate in an area posing risk to drivers, workers, or spectators, even with brake problems.
- Appropriate fire extinguishers, flags, and material for cleaning up fluid spills should be provided to each corner station.
- Video or still cameras are not permitted anywhere within the course area. Exceptions may be granted by the club President. Permission may only be given only if the location is acceptable to the President and a spotter to warn of approaching vehicles accompanies the photographer.