

Driver Education Track Day Checklist

30 Days out...

Car

Think about car condition –any issues? Look at the tires, brake pads, rotors, fluid levels. Are the wheels balanced OK, how long since you did an alignment? Are tire pressures holding OK? Decide which safety inspection to attend. Does the car need an oil change, windshield wipers, do all the switches and gauges work? If anything needs doing, you have time to shop around.

Driver

Start looking at track maps and guides. Learn corner numbers. Look around on YouTube to see if any instructional videos are helpful. Book your hotel if required. Have you got a helmet? Snell SA/M 2005 is needed – you can rent at Thunderhill. Look out for and attend DE101 briefing if new to track driving.

Two weeks before

Download safety inspection form at <u>www.diablo-pca.org</u> and print it. Take the form to safety inspection and get signed off. Eat pizza or bagels and hang out with the gang. Ask questions if you are unsure of anything. Make sure you have a good tire pressure gauge, check fluid levels.

One week before

Buy any items you need, like painter's tape (some people mask areas of the car so that the black rubber bit which come off tires don't leave streaks. Although they come off paintwork easily, I find they are harder to get off clear bra), screen cleaner,

Two days before

Clean the car. It's a good way to take a look around it. Check tires. Check fluid levels again (oil level not full).

Night before

Torque your lug bolts to spec. Clean windshields.

Day of

Cellphone

After sessions