



MAJOR EVENT MEDIA CREDENTIAL POLICY

Thank you for your interest in covering one of our events at Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park (TSMP). Please read the following prior to applying for credentials.

Who receives media credentials?

Media and photo credentials are only issued to recognized newspapers, news/wire services, racing publications, select accredited websites, radio stations, and national and local television stations covering events at TSMP. Credentials can no longer be issued to unaffiliated (freelance) journalists or photographers.

Internet sites will only be considered and/or approved if they are affiliated with a news source, cover sports and/or auto racing and sports car racing on a regular basis, and are consistently updated with news and features. Enthusiasts and fan websites, or those that cover only one team or driver will not be considered for a media credential. If you are associated with a team, you must obtain a credential through that team. Websites must be free from gossip and offensive language.

Credentials are non-transferrable and may only be used by the person to whom they were issued.

Who receives photography credentials?

Photo credentials will only be issued to personnel on assignment from recognized, accredited publications or news services only. These credentials will grant access to photo locations around the track.

All photographers must wear a TSMP-provided photo vest.

All photographers and TV personnel are required to complete a photographers' agreement when picking up their credentials at the registration office.

What are the guidelines for those with photography credentials?

Photo vests are required during each racing event. At selected events, TSMP may require specific vests, which they will provide. Those vests will be available at the daily photography meeting.

There may be mandatory photographer meetings held each day during an event. Photographers are required to attend at least one meeting to receive their photo vest (if TSMP vests will be distributed). Attendance at multiple meetings may be required if shooting locations change.

Photographers may shoot from any location outside of the fences, in the infield, in specified photo locations and any pre-established photo holes, as long as there is a barrier between them and vehicles on track. Any photographers taking photos from spectator areas have an obligation not to obstruct views of the TSMP fans.

Aerial photography, or the taking of photographs or video by individuals from an elevated position in which the camera is not supported by a ground-based structure, such as remote controlled fixed-wing or multi-rotor Unmanned Aircraft Systems (UAS) drones, balloons, blimps and dirigibles, rockets, kites, parachutes, stand alone telescoping and vehicle mounted poles, either triggered remotely or automatically is prohibited at TSMP. Violators in possession and/or operation at any time will be subject to confiscation of their unmanned aircraft, immediate removal from the property, and further prosecution by Law Enforcement.



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Photographs taken may be used for editorial purposes only and may not be offered for resale.

Who has access to the press box?

Access to the press box, which is located on the midway next to race control, is limited to deadline media, wire services, and race series representatives only. Anyone desiring access to the press box must indicate that on the Credential Request Application.

When can I apply for media credentials?

Media Credential requests can be submitted at any time, but they must be completed no later than one (1) week prior to the event.

How do I apply for credentials?

All requests for Road Course event credentials must be submitted using Media Credential form found on the TSMP Media information page [here](#). All credential applications must be completed by a supervising editor or director and accompanied by a letter of assignment on company letterhead. This letter should state in what capacity the application will be covering the event. Please be prepared to submit a brief summary of coverage intentions and samples from previous events covered.

Please be certain to fill-out all fields on the credential request form. Incomplete forms will not be considered.

Applying for credentials in no way guarantees a media outlet will receive credentials. TSMP retains the right to final approval of credential application.

Credential requests for road course events can be submitted to Theresa Condict. They can be faxed to (860) 923-2398, emailed to roadcourse@thompsons Speedway.com, or mailed to Theresa's attention at PO Box 278, Thompson, CT, 06277.

Credential requests for oval track events can be submitted to Taylor Therrien. They can be faxed to (860) 923-2398, emailed to oval@thompsons Speedway.com, or mailed to Taylor's attention at PO Box 278, Thompson, CT, 06277.

Media Credential Registration and Liability

All media credential requests must be picked up at the Thompson Speedway Motorsports Park Guest Registration Building located at the entrance to the facility. All persons receiving media credentials must present positive identification and sign a release upon registration discharging TSMP from any liability, property damage, or personal injury. Credentials will not be issued to any photographer in shorts, tank tops, open-toed shoes or sandals, skirts, or capris.