



2026 NORTH WILKESBORO SPEEDWAY

OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE

NCS, NCTS, CARS

REVISED as of July 14, 11:10 AM



WEDNESDAY, JULY 15

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:30 AM	8:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
7:30 AM	7:30 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP
6:00 PM	8:00 PM	CARS	HAULERS ENTER (OPTIONAL)

THURSDAY, JULY 16

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
6:00 AM	7:00 AM	CARS	HAULERS ENTER
6:00 AM	7:45 AM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
6:30 AM	8:00 PM	CARS	GARAGE HOURS
7:00 AM		CARS	CREW CHIEF MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
7:30 AM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP
8:00 AM	8:40 AM	CARS	PRACTICE 1 (PRO LATE MODEL) TRACK HOT
8:45 AM	9:25 AM	CARS	PRACTICE 1 (LATE MODEL STOCK) TRACK HOT
9:30 AM	10:10 AM	CARS	PRACTICE 2 (PRO LATE MODEL) TRACK HOT
10:15 AM	10:55 AM	CARS	PRACTICE 2 (LATE MODEL STOCK) TRACK HOT
11:00 AM	5:45 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
11:00 AM	5:30 PM	BROADCAST	BROADCAST SET UP TRACK COLD
1:00 PM	3:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK TEXTURE SCANNING (GOODYEAR)
5:00 PM		NCS, NCTS	DRIVER / CREW CHIEF MEETING (SENT ELECTRONICALLY)
5:30 PM		CARS	DRIVER / CREW CHIEF MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
6:00 PM		CARS	QUALIFYING (PRO LATE MODEL) TRACK HOT
6:45 PM		CARS	QUALIFYING (LATE MODEL STOCK) TRACK HOT
7:30 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
8:00 PM		CARS	HAULERS EXIT (RELOCATE TO LOT 5)

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NASCAR CUP SERIES (NCS), NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES (NCTS), ZMAX CARS TOUR (CARS)

FRIDAY, JULY 17

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
6:30 AM	4:00 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
6:30 AM	1:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
6:30 AM	7:30 AM	NCS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
7:00 AM	7:30 AM	NCS	TEAM ACCESS FOR EQUIPMENT SET UP PERMITTED
7:00 AM	9:00 AM	NCTS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
7:30 AM	12:30 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	NCTS	TEAM ACCESS FOR EQUIPMENT SET UP PERMITTED
9:00 AM	4:30 PM	NCTS	GARAGE HOURS
9:30 AM		NCTS	ROOKIE MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
10:00 AM	11:30 AM	TRACK OPS	PRE-RACE STAGE PARKING & ROUTING REHEARSAL TRACK COLD
12:00 PM	1:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	DRIVER/TEAM TRACK WALK (NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES AUTHORIZED) TRACK COLD
12:00 PM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (TRACK SERVICES BUILDING)
1:00 PM	1:15 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE CALIBRATION (COMPETITION) TRACK HOT
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
2:00 PM	2:50 PM	NCTS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
3:05 PM	4:00 PM	NCTS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
4:00 PM	4:30 PM	BROADCAST	TELEVISION EXHIBITION RUNS TRACK HOT
4:30 PM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
4:30 PM	9:00 PM	CARS	GARAGE HOURS
4:45 PM		CARS	DRIVER/SPOTTER/CREW CHIEF MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
5:20 PM		CARS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS (ALL CLASSES)
6:00 PM		CARS	RACE (PRO LATE MODEL - 75 LAPS) TRACK HOT
7:00 PM	Approx	CARS	RACE (LATE MODEL STOCK - 100 LAPS) TRACK HOT
9:00 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
9:00 PM		CARS	HAULERS ENTER PIT ROAD (EQUIPMENT LOADING)

SATURDAY, JULY 18

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:00 AM	9:15 AM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
8:15 AM	9:15 AM	RACE CONTROL	DRIVER/TEAM TRACK WALK (NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES AUTHORIZED) TRACK COLD
8:30 AM	7:00 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
9:00 AM	6:00 PM	NCTS	GARAGE HOURS
9:15 AM	10:15 AM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
9:30 AM	10:15 AM	NCTS	AUTOGRAPH SESSION (FAN ZONE)
10:15 AM	12:15 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
10:30 AM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (TRACK SERVICES BUILDING)
11:00 AM		RACE CONTROL	PRE-RACE STAGE PARKING & SET UP PERMITTED TRACK COLD
11:50 AM		NCTS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
12:10 PM		NCTS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS
12:30 PM		NCTS	RACE (STAGES 70/140/250 LAPS = 156.25 MILES) TRACK HOT
3:00 PM	4:30 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
3:00 PM	7:30 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
4:15 PM	5:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	NCS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
6:10 PM	7:00 PM	NCS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
7:15 PM	10:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD

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SUNDAY, JULY 19

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
6:30 AM	1:30 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
1:45 PM	2:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE LAPS (COMPETITION OPERATIONS) TRACK HOT
2:00 PM	2:45 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
2:30 PM	7:00 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
2:45 PM	6:45 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
2:45 PM	3:15 PM	RACE CONTROL	PRE-RACE STAGE PARKING & SET UP PERMITTED TRACK COLD
3:00 PM	4:00 PM	NCS	TEAM ACCESS TO HAULERS PERMITTED
3:30 PM	7:00 PM	NCS	GARAGE & PIT PASS HOLDER - GARAGE ACCESS PERMITTED
3:30 PM	6:45 PM	TRACK OPS	FAN TRACK ACCESS (FRONTSTRETCH) TRACK COLD
4:00 PM		NCS	GARAGE HOURS
4:30 PM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (TRACK SERVICES BUILDING)
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	CONCERT
5:30 PM		NCS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
6:30 PM		NCS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS
7:00 PM		NCS	RACE (STAGES 80/265/450 = 281.25 MILES) TRACK HOT
10:45 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD

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