



2026 BRISTOL MOTOR SPEEDWAY

OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE

NCS, NOAPS, NCTS, AMS

REVISED as of August 10, 11:51 AM



TUESDAY, SEPTEMBER 15

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:30 AM	7:30 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP

WEDNESDAY, SEPTEMBER 16

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:30 AM	7:30 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP
12:00 PM	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, NOAPS, NCTS	DRIVER / CREW CHIEF MEETING (SENT ELECTRONICALLY)
6:00 PM	6:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE CALIBRATION (COMPETITION) TRACK HOT
7:00 PM	10:00 PM	TRACK OPS	CHARITY TRACK LAPS (BRISTOL MOTOR SPEEDWAY) TRACK HOT

THURSDAY, SEPTEMBER 17

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:00 AM	4:30 PM	AMS	CREDENTIALING HOURS
7:30 AM	8:30 AM	AMS	HAULERS ENTER (PARKING ONLY)
8:00 AM	10:00 AM	NCTS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
9:00 AM	11:15 PM	AMS	GARAGE HOURS
9:00 AM	8:00 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
9:05 AM		AMS	CREW CHIEF MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
9:30 AM	10:00 AM	NCTS	TEAM ACCESS FOR EQUIPMENT SET UP PERMITTED
10:00 AM		NCTS	GARAGE HOURS
10:30 AM		NCTS	ROOKIE MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
11:00 AM	11:45 AM	RACE CONTROL	DRIVER/TEAM TRACK WALK (NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES AUTHORIZED) TRACK COLD
11:00 AM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (FIRE & SAFETY BUILDING)
11:30 AM		AMS	DRIVER / SPOTTER MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
11:45 AM	1:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
1:00 PM	1:45 PM	AMS	PRACTICE (TIMED - 45 MINUTES) TRACK HOT
2:00 PM	2:20 PM	AMS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) (TIMED - 20 MINUTES) TRACK HOT
3:00 PM	3:50 PM	NCTS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
4:00 PM		TRACK OPS	PIT ROAD TRACK SERVICES MEETING
4:05 PM	5:00 PM	NCTS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
5:15 PM		AMS	DRIVERS REPORT TO VEHICLES (GRID LOCATION)
5:20 PM		AMS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS (DRIVERS STANDING BY CARS)
5:30 PM		AMS	RACE (200 LAPS, 106.6 MILES) TRACK HOT
7:35 PM		NCTS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
7:40 PM		NCTS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS
8:00 PM		NCTS	RACE (STAGES 65/130/250 LAPS = 133.25 MILES) TRACK HOT
10:15 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	FAN WALK (ACCESS LIMITED TO FRONTSTRETCH) (FRONTSTRETCH) TRACK COLD

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE LOCAL TRACK TIME - EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME

NASCAR CUP SERIES (NCS), NASCAR O'REILLY AUTO PARTS SERIES (NOAPS), NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES (NCTS), ARCA MENARDS SERIES (AMS)

FRIDAY, SEPTEMBER 18			
START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:00 AM	9:00 AM	NOAPS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
8:00 AM	7:30 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
8:30 AM	9:00 AM	NOAPS	TEAM ACCESS FOR EQUIPMENT SET UP PERMITTED (GARAGE AREA / PIT ROAD)
9:00 AM	11:00 AM	NCS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
9:00 AM		NOAPS	GARAGE HOURS
11:00 AM	7:00 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
11:45 AM	12:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	DRIVER/TEAM TRACK WALK (NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES AUTHORIZED) TRACK COLD
12:00 PM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (FIRE & SAFETY BUILDING)
12:30 PM	1:00 PM	BROADCAST	TELEVISION EXHIBITION RUNS TRACK HOT
1:00 PM	2:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
2:00 PM	2:50 PM	NOAPS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
3:05 PM	4:00 PM	NOAPS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
4:30 PM	5:30 PM	NCS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
5:40 PM	6:30 PM	NCS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
6:00 PM		TRACK OPS	PIT ROAD TRACK SERVICES MEETING
6:45 PM		NCS	CARS & EQUIPMENT BEHIND HAULERS
6:50 PM		NOAPS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
7:00 PM		NOAPS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS
7:30 PM		NOAPS	RACE (STAGES 85/170/300 LAPS = 159.9 MILES) TRACK HOT
11:45 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	PRE-RACE SETUP PERMITTED
SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 19			
START	END	SERIES	EVENT
12:30 PM	1:15 PM	TRACK OPS	TRACK LAPS TRACK HOT
1:15 PM	1:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE LAPS (COMPETITION OPERATIONS) TRACK HOT
1:30 PM	2:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
2:00 PM	7:30 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINORS PROHIBITED IN THE GARAGE AREA
2:30 PM	3:30 PM	NCS	TEAM ACCESS TO HAULERS PERMITTED
2:30 PM	3:00 PM	TRACK OPS	FAN WALK SET UP TRACK COLD
3:00 PM	5:00 PM	TRACK OPS	FAN WALK (ACCESS LIMITED TO RACING SURFACE AND APRON) (BRISTOL MOTOR SPEEDWAY)
3:30 PM	11:45 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
4:30 PM	11:30 PM	NCS	VIP GARAGE ACCESS PERMITTED (INFIELD)
5:00 PM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (FIRE & SAFETY BUILDING)
6:00 PM		NCS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
6:25 PM		NCS	THE DRIVERS MEETING (GARAGE BAR)
6:50 PM		NCS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS
7:30 PM		NCS	RACE (STAGES 125/250/500 LAPS = 266.5 MILES) TRACK HOT

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