



The BMW Car Club of America's *Driving School Standards* demand strict compliance with club passing rules. Club rules are in place *always*, during both student *and* instructor driving sessions.

## General Rules

- Passing is regulated by the following rules and conditions:
  - ▶ There will be ***absolutely no passing*** without explicit hand signals from overtaken drivers. Please make your passing signals clearly visible to our flaggers. Do not use in-car signals unless they are unavoidable; in preference, point straight out your window or out and over your roof.
  - ▶ If you are overtaken, and the overtaking car is faster overall, you *must* yield. “Yield” means *lifting off the gas*. Impeding a persistent train of vehicles for lap after lap will not be tolerated.
  - ▶ You must pass on the side to which the overtaken driver points.
  - ▶ The first car behind the lead car in a group gets the first opportunity to pass the slower car, even if cars farther back are faster. High horsepower does not grant priority in passing.
  - ▶ You must obtain a passing signal from *each* car being overtaken, not just the last car in line.
- Violators *will be black-flagged* for a discussion with the chief instructor.
- ***These rules have no latitude.*** They will be enforced and obeyed for the safety of all.

## Passing Zones

- Students in the B, C, and D run groups may initiate passes only in designated passing zones.
  - ▶ Passing zones for the *Summit Point Main Circuit* are between turns 2 and 3, between turns 9 and 10, and between turns 10 and 1.
  - ▶ Passing zones for the *Summit Point Jefferson Circuit* are between turns 4 and 5, between turns 5 and 6, and between turns 7 and 1.
  - ▶ Passing zones for the *Summit Point Shenandoah Circuit* are between turns 5 and 6, between turns 11 and 12, between turns 19 and 20, and between turns 20 and 3.
  - ▶ Passes must be completed before the apex of the turn at the end of the zone.
- Students in the A run group and instructors driving in *instructor and A Group run sessions* may pass anywhere ***with*** a signal; all other general rules still apply. Instructors driving in the B, C, and D Group run sessions must obey passing zone restrictions.

Please note that paragraph 2.8.4 of the BMW CCA *Driving School Standards* states:

**Passing violations must be handled aggressively by event management, with offenders spoken to, deprived of track time, and if necessary, ejected from the event!**

This standard will be applied.