



2026 RICHMOND RACEWAY
OFFICIAL EVENT SCHEDULE
NCS, NCTS



REVISED as of August 11, 10:17 AM

WEDNESDAY, AUGUST 12

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:30 AM	7:30 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP
7:30 AM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
5:00 PM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	FAN TRACK WALK

THURSDAY, AUGUST 13

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
7:30 AM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	EVENT OPERATIONS SET UP
7:30 AM	6:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
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, NCTS	DRIVER / CREW CHIEF MEETING (SENT ELECTRONICALLY)

FRIDAY, AUGUST 14

START	END	SERIES	EVENT
5:30 AM	9:30 AM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD
5:30 AM	11:00 AM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER PORTAL OPEN TRACK COLD
6:00 AM	8:00 AM	NCTS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
7:00 AM	7:30 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINOR RESTRICTIONS ENFORCED 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO HOT TRACK STATUS
7:30 AM	8:00 AM	NCTS	TEAM ACCESS FOR EQUIPMENT SET UP PERMITTED
7:30 AM	9:30 AM	NCS	HAULERS ENTER (EQUIPMENT UNLOADING)
8:00 AM	10:30 PM	NCTS	GARAGE HOURS
8:30 AM		NCTS	ROOKIE MEETING (SERIES INSPECTION TRAILER)
10:00 AM	6:00 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
11:00 AM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (MEDIA CENTER HOSPITALITY ROOM)
11:00 AM	11:45 AM	RACE CONTROL	DRIVER/TEAM TRACK WALK (NO MOTORIZED VEHICLES AUTHORIZED) TRACK COLD
11:45 AM	12:15 PM	BROADCAST	TELEVISION EXHIBITION RUNS TRACK HOT
12:00 PM	12:30 PM	NCS	DRIVER COMPETITION BRIEFING (FULL-TIME COMPETITORS) (MEDIA CENTER HOSPITALITY ROOM)
12:15 PM	1:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
12:15 PM	12:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE CALIBRATION (COMPETITION) TRACK HOT
1:00 PM	1:50 PM	NCTS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
2:05 PM	3:00 PM	NCTS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
3:30 PM	4:30 PM	NCS	PRACTICE TRACK HOT
4:30 PM	5:15 PM	NCTS	AUTOGRAPH SESSION (INFIELD FAN GROUNDS)
4:40 PM	5:30 PM	NCS	QUALIFYING (IMPOUND) TRACK HOT
5:30 PM	7:00 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER PORTAL OPEN TRACK COLD
5:30 PM	6:00 PM	RACE CONTROL	PRE-RACE STAGE PARKING & SET UP PERMITTED (FRONTSTRETCH) TRACK COLD
6:00 PM		TRACK OPS	PIT ROAD TRACK SERVICES MEETING
6:50 PM		NCTS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
7:10 PM		NCTS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS (TURN 1)
7:30 PM		NCTS	RACE (STAGES 70/140/250 LAPS = 187.5 MILES) TRACK HOT
11:00 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER PORTAL OPEN TRACK COLD

ALL TIMES LISTED ARE LOCAL TRACK TIME - EASTERN DAYLIGHT TIME
NASCAR CUP SERIES (NCS), NASCAR CRAFTSMAN TRUCK SERIES (NCTS)

SATURDAY, AUGUST 15			
START	END	SERIES	EVENT
6:30 AM	12:30 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER PORTAL OPEN TRACK COLD
9:00 AM	10:00 AM	TRACK OPS	TRACK WALK (SCOUT WALK) TRACK COLD
12:45 PM	2:15 PM	RACE CONTROL	NASCAR VIP TRACK LAPS TRACK HOT
2:15 PM	2:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	PACE VEHICLE LAPS (COMPETITION OPERATIONS) TRACK HOT
2:30 PM	3:30 PM	RACE CONTROL	TRACK PREPARATION (COMPETITION OPERATIONS)
2:30 PM	7:00 PM		NASCAR CREDENTIALING HOURS
			MINOR RESTRICTIONS ENFORCED 30 MINUTES PRIOR TO HOT TRACK STATUS
2:45 PM	6:45 PM	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH PEDESTRIAN CROSS-OVER PORTAL OPEN 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	4:00 PM	TRACK OPS	PRE-RACE STAGE PARKING & ROUTING REHEARSAL TRACK COLD
4:00 PM	5:15 PM	TRACK OPS	FAN TRACK ACCESS (FRONTSTRETCH) TRACK COLD
4:00 PM	11:30 PM	NCS	GARAGE HOURS
4:30 PM		TRACK OPS	TRACK SERVICES MEETING (OUTSIDE OF INFIELDCARE CENTER)
5:30 PM		NCS	GRID ACCESS OPEN TO PROPERLY CREDENTIALLED GUESTS (UNTIL END OF ANTHEM) (PIT ROAD)
5:55 PM		NCS	THE DRIVERS MEETING (MEDIA CENTER HOSPITALITY ROOM)
6:20 PM		NCS	DRIVER INTRODUCTIONS (TURN 1)
7:00 PM		NCS	RACE (STAGES 70/230/400 LAPS = 300 MILES) TRACK HOT
11:15 PM	Approx	TRACK OPS	BACKSTRETCH VEHICLE CROSS-OVER GATE OPEN TRACK COLD

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