



# **PRL DRIVER HANDBOOK**

## **2027 Inaugural ARCA Championship • Driver-Facing Guide**

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### **WELCOME TO PRL**

Pitmark Racing League is built for drivers who want organized, competitive racing without turning every week into a second job. Season 1 uses fixed-setup ARCA cars, realistic race lengths, a rotating Tuesday/Wednesday calendar, and a four-race Chase.

### **What You Need to Race**

- An active iRacing membership and an eligible current ARCA car.
- The tracks for the rounds you plan to enter.
- A completed PRL registration form and membership in the Pitmark Discord. Join at [prl.pitmarkracing.com/discord](http://prl.pitmarkracing.com/discord).
- A working microphone is strongly recommended for drivers meetings.
- Respect for the league rules, Race Control, and other competitors.

### **Race Night at a Glance**

- 7:00 PM ET - Practice server opens.
- 7:40 PM ET - Driver check-in closes.
- 7:45 PM ET - Drivers meeting.
- 7:50 PM ET - Lone qualifying.
- 7:55 PM ET - Warmup.
- 8:00 PM ET - Race window begins.

### **RACE LENGTH PHILOSOPHY**

PRL races are intentionally longer than typical quick league sprints. Most events are designed to feel like a proper ARCA feature, generally around 75-100 minutes depending on cautions and track type.

### **Season & Chase**

- 15 championship rounds total.
- Rounds 1-11 form the regular season.
- Top 8 eligible drivers after Round 11 qualify for the Chase.
- Chase points reset to 2,000 plus earned playoff points.
- Regular-season wins earn 5 playoff points each; the regular-season champion earns 10 additional playoff points.
- No elimination rounds: all four Chase races count.
- Non-Chase drivers continue racing and scoring full-season points.

### **Points Basics**

- 1st: 40; 2nd: 35; 3rd: 34; positions then decrease by one point per place.
- Pole: +1 point.



- Lead a lap: +1 point.
- Most laps led: +1 point.
- DNS: 0 points.

## Driver Conduct

Race people the way you want to be raced. Hard racing is welcome; retaliation and avoidable nonsense are not.

- One proactive defensive move is allowed; reactionary blocking is not.
- Leave reasonable racing room when meaningful overlap exists.
- Rejoin only when it is safe.
- Follow iRacing pacing and pit-road instructions.
- No intentional wrecking, retaliation, threats, or harassment.
- Use the protest process after the race instead of arguing incidents live.

## Cautions, Restarts & Overtime

- Automatic full-course cautions on oval events.
- Double-file restarts unless Race Control orders otherwise.
- Lucky Dog and wave-arounds enabled.
- Caution laps count.
- Two Green-White-Checkered attempts.

## Incident Limit

Season standard: 12x warning and 20x automatic disqualification.

## Protests

Submit protests privately within 24 hours of the checkered flag. Include lap/time, drivers involved, and a short factual explanation.

## 2027 Season Schedule

- R01 • Jan 13 • Daytona International Speedway • 80 laps / 200 mi • Season Opener
- R02 • Jan 19 • Charlotte Motor Speedway • 100 laps / 150 mi
- R03 • Jan 27 • Iowa Speedway • 150 laps / 131.25 mi
- R04 • Feb 2 • Phoenix Raceway • 150 laps / 150 mi
- R05 • Feb 10 • Richmond Raceway • 200 laps / 150 mi
- R06 • Feb 16 • Michigan International Speedway • 100 laps / 200 mi
- R07 • Feb 24 • Martinsville Speedway • 200 laps / 105.2 mi
- R08 • Mar 2 • Kansas Speedway • 100 laps / 150 mi
- R09 • Mar 10 • Watkins Glen International • 41 laps / ~100 mi • Road Course
- R10 • Mar 16 • Nashville Superspeedway • 120 laps / ~160 mi
- R11 • Mar 24 • Talladega Superspeedway • 76 laps / ~202 mi • CHASE CUTOFF
- R12 • Mar 30 • Bristol Motor Speedway • 200 laps / ~106.6 mi • CHASE 1
- R13 • Apr 7 • Dover Motor Speedway • 150 laps / 150 mi • CHASE 2
- R14 • Apr 13 • Darlington Raceway • 125 laps / ~171 mi • CHASE 3
- R15 • Apr 21 • Homestead-Miami Speedway • 100 laps / 150 mi • CHAMPIONSHIP



## Questions & Support

For registration help, league questions, accessibility needs, sponsor inquiries, or general support, email [contact@pitmarkracing.com](mailto:contact@pitmarkracing.com). Join the league community at <https://prl.pitmarkracing.com/discord>.