



## SPORTS CAR CLUB OF AMERICA – DES MOINES VALLEY REGION

# IOWA SPEEDWAY RACE EMERGENCY PLAN

*Short Version. Created March 2013*

*(Full Version on file with the Chief Steward, Safety Steward, Chief of Emergency Services, Race Chair, and Race Control)*

**THE CHIEFS OF ALL SPECIALTIES ARE REQUIRED AND DIRECTED TO REVIEW THIS PLAN WITH ALL OF THEIR PERSONNEL, PRIOR TO ANY ON TRACK ACTIVITIES, AT EACH EVENT.**

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**“ALERT CALL”** The declaration of an ALERT CALL emergency situation may be made by any race official/worker.

This declaration is used in a situation which may include an incident in which one or more drivers, crew, race officials/workers or spectators are injured. Some specific examples of this type of situation may be, but are not limited to, the following: A race car may be on fire, airborne, overturned or had a very hard impact into a barrier and the driver may be pinned or trapped within the vehicle.

The following actions will immediately go into effect:

- RESPONSES:
1. All communication lines will be cleared at once so the ALERT CALL information can be transmitted to Race Control.
  2. All emergency vehicles (EV) will be notified to “STAND UP”. This is with the vehicle engine running, all personnel are inside the vehicle and are ready to roll on command from Race Control.
  3. The pace/safety car drivers will stand by their vehicle and will wait for further instructions from Race Control.
  4. No vehicles will move until being dispatched to do so, upon command by the Operating Steward thru Race Control. Only Race Control will issue and direct instructions and information to these vehicles.

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THE DECLARATION OF A CODE RED ALERT CALL EMERGENCY SITUATION CAN ONLY BE MADE BY THE CHIEF STEWARD THRU RACE CONTROL.

**“CODE RED ALERT CALL”** This declaration is used in the event of a major and very serious emergency situation involving a significant number of race competitors, spectators, race officials/workers or crew. The on-site Medical Director or Safety Steward will immediately consult with the Chief Steward concerning the type of emergency, the possible number of injured and the severity of the injuries. At that moment the following actions will immediately go into effect:

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- RESPONSES:
1. All of the instructions for an "ALERT CALL" will be followed as is noted above.
  2. The announcement "WILL DR. SPARKS PLEASE REPORT TO THE CONTROL TOWER" will be made over the public address system and over each radio net from Race Control.
  3. All race personnel are directed to go to their assigned locations and to stay in touch via radio contact for further instructions and any additional information thru Race Control. All personnel will perform their duties as described below:
    - A. The emergency code announcement "WILL DR. SPARKS PLEASE REPORT TO THE CONTROL TOWER" WILL be made several times over all communications nets.
    - B. The Chief Steward will direct all operations and will coordinate with the Medical Director. All non-race functions, external communications and control will be handled at the Infield Care Center area directly below the scoring tower in the north end of the paddock.
    - C. The Chief Steward, thru Race Control will notify the emergency vehicles (EV) as to their deployment. The Race Track WILL be RED FLAGGED.
    - D. All rescue personnel, when dealing with injured people will work under the direction of the highest-ranking medical individual at the incident site.
    - E. When public address and radio announcements are made, all of the unassigned medical personnel will report to the Infield Care Center area directly below the scoring tower in the north end of the paddock. All medical and EV personnel, including track ambulance and crew, will remain at their assigned stations until given another assignment by the Chief Steward, Medical Director or a Corner Station Captain through Race Control.
    - F. The Operating Steward will command Race Control in the tower above the main grandstands. The Race Chairman will act as a liaison between the tower and other points of activity around the race facility.
    - G. The Paddock Marshals will surround the Infield Care Center area to establish crowd control and assist track security in maintaining an open route for emergency vehicles.
    - H. The Safety Steward will work with the Medical Director and will arrange to notify the hospitals, with the Medical Director's input, about the projected estimate of injured, along with the time and method for transporting to hospital facilities. In addition the Safety Steward, or their representative, will contact the insurance company and will gather all information necessary to complete a full and comprehensive report of the emergency situation.
    - I. All Assistant or back-up Stewards and F&C Corner Station Captains are charged with getting the accident or incident reports from drivers, crew, spectators and race officials/workers, who were involved or who witnessed the incident and then get the information to the Safety Steward. Any VIDEO TAPE or DIGITAL DISC of the incident will and must be secured and delivered to the Chief Steward, without any copies being reproduced.
    - J. The Course Marshals will receive instructions from the Operating Steward thru Race Control as to the track condition and will proceed accordingly. They may also be dispatched to transport medical personnel and/or equipment to the incident.
    - K. The Chief of Registration will create and provide to the Chief of Hospitality/Entrant Services, a list of all medically trained personnel that are on site and then assist in locating these individuals in the event of needing their assistance.

- L. The Race Chair or Chief of Hospitality/Entrant Services should report to the Infield Care Center area directly below the scoring tower in the north end of the paddock for information on any injured individuals; then with assistance of the Paddock and Pit Marshals locate relatives and crew of the injured. They will also provide written directions and any other information needed for getting from the track to area hospitals.
- M. Pit Marshals will maintain control of their area to assure an open route for emergency vehicles.
- N. All track announcers will REFRAIN from discussion of any possible injuries that pertain to the emergency situation. The track announcer will remain in contact with the Chief Steward, thru Race Control, and will follow exact instructions regarding any PA announcements pertaining to the emergency situation.
- O. The official statement shall and will be presented and released only by a group consisting of the Chairman of the SOM, approved Track Representative and the Medical Director. This statement will be issued after counseling with the Chief Steward & Safety Steward. NO OTHER INDIVIDUAL IS PERMITTED OR AUTHORIZED TO MAKE ANY PUBLIC STATEMENT.
- P. If an air ambulance/helicopter is not on stand-by at the track, then a decision will be made by the Medical Director as to the need for requesting a helicopter for the transporting of injured. The landing of the helicopter in the paddock or at the incident site will be controlled by emergency personnel.
- Q. Any apparent critically injured individual (even a possible fatality) WILL BE TREATED AS A LIVING INDIVIDUAL until after leaving the site in an emergency vehicle. ALL LIFE SAVING MEASURES WILL NOT BE STOPPED with the injured individual, unless it is ORDERED by a Licensed Medical Physician.

*WRITTEN AND PREPARED BY Robert Eddy – National Chief Steward, March 2013 - Reviewed and updated, April 2014, by Robert Eddy. Reviewed and up dated, April 2015, by Robert Eddy. Reviewed and updated, May 2017, by Robert Eddy.*

*Attachment page: Area Hospital information list.*



## HOSPITAL INFORMATION LIST – Iowa Speedway Area

March 2013

*This sheet is an attachment to the Mid-America Motorplex Race Emergency Plan.*

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**For emergencies, call 9-1-1**

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HOSPITAL ONE: IOWA METHODIST MEDICAL CENTER (Trauma Level One)  
1200 Pleasant Street  
Des Moines, Iowa 50309 (39 miles @ 42 minutes travel)

PHONE: General 515-241-6212  
ER 515-241-6213  
Life Flight Air Ambulance 515-243-4357  
800-987-2862

HOSPITAL TWO: MERCY MEDICAL CENTER (Trauma Level Two)  
1111 6<sup>th</sup> Avenue  
Des Moines, Iowa 50314 (38 miles @ 39 minutes travel)

PHONE: General 515-247-3121  
ER 515-247-3173  
Mercy One Air Ambulance 515-643-2764

HOSPITAL THREE: SKIFF MEDICAL CENTER (Trauma Level Four)  
204 N. 4<sup>th</sup> Avenue E.  
Newton, Iowa 50208 (5 miles @ 11 minutes travel)

PHONE: General 641-792-1273  
ER 641-791-4387

HOSPITAL BURN CENTER: UNIVERSITY OF IOWA BURN TREATMENT CENTER (Trauma Level One)  
200 Hawkins Dr.  
Iowa City, Iowa 52242 (77 miles @ 1 hr 16 minutes travel)

PHONE: General 319-384-8442  
Burn Center 319-384-5317

HELICOPTER AMBULANCE SERVICES: Primary--- Mercy One - 515-643-2764  
Secondary— Life Flight - 515-243-4357

- \* Estimated travel time for Air Ambulance to arrive at Iowa Speedway – approx. 14 minutes.
- \* Estimated travel time for Air Ambulance Iowa Speedway to Trauma Level One Hospital – approx. 14 minutes
- \* Estimated travel time for Air Ambulance from Iowa Speedway to Burn Treatment Center – approx. 30-35 minutes

## ANNUAL REVIEW – DMVR/SCCA-IOWA SPEEDWAY RACE EMERGENCY PLAN

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