



# LICENSING POLICY

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# **BMW CCA CLUB RACING LICENSING POLICY**

## **1. PURPOSE:**

- A. This policy will define the requirements and procedures for participating as a driver in any BMW CCA Club Racing event.

## **2. REQUIREMENTS:**

### **A. MEMBERSHIP**

All participating drivers in a BMW CCA Club Race must be BMW CCA members or associate members or members of a BMW Club recognized by the International Council of BMW Clubs (e.g., BMW Club of Canada) and in good standing.

### **B. DRIVER QUALIFICATION**

By the date of the event, all drivers enrolled in any BMW CCA driving school or race are required to have a full operator's license that does not require another qualified party to be a passenger in the vehicle for the license to be considered valid. Any individual under the age of 18 shall not be allowed to participate in the event unless he or she and a parent/guardian have executed and signed a Parental and Minor Release Waiver.

### **C. DRIVER'S LICENSE**

Each participant shall have a valid & full operator's license (not a learner's permit) that is not suspended or revoked by the time of the event.

### **D. MEDICAL REQUIREMENTS**

- i. A current and complete physical examination medical is required.
  - a. A current medical examination submitted in conjunction with licensing by another recognized sanctioning body may also be accepted (the examination date shall be no more than six months prior to the expiration date of the existing racing license from the other organization).
- ii. A complete physical examination must be submitted:
  - a. every five (5) years for those 16 - 39 years of age
  - b. every three (3) years for those 40 - 49 years of age
  - c. every two (2) years for those 50 - 59 years of age
  - d. each year for those 60 years of age and older
- iii. Except for examinations submitted under the provisions of section D.i.a above, the examination date shall be no more than six months prior to the expiration date of the existing BMW CCA CR license, or six months prior to the date of the

initial BMW CCA CR application.

- iv. During the period of license and medical eligibility, racers are required to immediately notify BMW CCA Club Racing if there is any change in medical condition at any time differing from what is recorded in the applicant's submitted Medical form.

#### E. RENEWALS

Renewals can be initiated not more than 90 days prior to expiration of a current license; regardless of early renewal timing, the original license expiration month and day will remain the same for each renewal.

### 3. QUALIFICATIONS

A. There are two methods to obtain a BMW CCA Club Racing license:

- i. Via an existing (current) competition license from a recognized road racing sanctioning organization, including BMW CCA, SCCA, NASA, PCA, POC and any vintage group which is a member of the Vintage Motorsport Council.
  - a. The applicant must disclose all licenses and their status as well as any previous or current disciplinary action including penalties, probation, or suspension.
  - b. Each applicant is subject to a review and verification of licenses and inquiries concerning the applicant's driving history and experienced by providing two qualified references known to BMW CCA Club Racing. These drivers must hold a current Competition license with BMW CCA Club Racing, or should be officials from other racing series acceptable to BMW CCA Club Racing
  - c. Your race experience must be current – at least 4 races within the past 2 years.
  - d. Applicants who successfully complete the experience review and verification process may be granted a BMW CCA Club Racing Provisional License.
- ii. Through participation in BMW CCA and/or other recognized driving school programs with a minimum of 10 school days within the preceding twenty-four (24) month period and attendance and successful completion of a BimmerWorld BMW CCA Club Racing School or its recognized equivalent.
  - a. Applicants who successfully complete the experience review and verification of completion of race school may be granted a BMW CCA Club Racing Rookie License.

#### 4. SCHOOLS

##### A. Drivers Schools.

- i. BMW CCA Driver's School events or equivalent events (e.g., TrackTime, H.O.D, PCA, etc). Equivalency will be evaluated in terms of number of sessions with in-car and classroom instruction. Dates, locations, organizing Chapter/program, Chief Instructor, Run Group data, and instruction status (e.g., signed off by instructor after the first two sessions) data shall be provided.
- ii. Applicants must have achieved advanced run group status.
- iii. The applicant shall provide signed certification from the Chapter's Chief Instructor (or equivalent). The certification will describe:
  - a. The applicant's ability regarding basic high speed driving skills, and
  - b. Describe the applicant's ability to drive without an instructor in advanced run groups; and
  - c. Information on the applicant's courtesy and situational awareness while on the track.
- iv. A list of approved programs is available from the Club Racing Licensing Administrator.

##### B. Race Schools.

- i. Successful completion of a sanctioned BimmerWorld BMW CCA Club Racing School.
  - a. BMW CCA Club Racing typically offers several of these schools annually.
  - b. The National Club Racing website has information on the schools and their scheduled dates and locations.
- ii. Successful completion of a BMW CCA Club Racing approved racing school.
  - a. A list of these schools will be available upon inquiry.

#### 5. APPLICATION REVIEW.

- A. All applicants are subject to a thorough review and verification of their experience including a check of all references and other available sources not necessarily provided by the applicant.
  - i. Based on this review, applicants may be required to obtain additional experience beyond minimum requirements listed above, Club Racing administration may require Rookie licensees to complete their first race at a track at which they have had prior driving experience. BMW CCA Club Racing is the sole and final determinant of the suitability of an applicant's experience.
- B. With these requirements fulfilled the applicant may be granted a BMW CCA Club Racing Rookie License.
  - i. Rookie performance will be monitored closely by BMW CCA

## Club Racing.

### 6. EVENTS.

- A. An event that includes multiple races will be counted as one event.

### 7. LICENSE UPGRADES.

- A. Rookie licenses upgrade to Competition licenses upon the successful\* completion of four events.
- B. Provisional licenses upgrade to Competition licenses upon the successful\* completion of four events.

*\* A successful event is defined as one where the driver competes without any type of contact incident and demonstrates good sportsmanship as per the ideals expressed by the BMW CCA Spirit of Club Racing. Should a driver not achieve event success, Club Racing reserves the right to extend his/her trial event count and/or utilize the 13/13 penalty system as appropriate for the circumstances.*

### 8. RENEWALS.

- A. A licensee must participate in two events per year to be eligible for renewal.
  - i. Races with other sanctioning organizations/clubs may be considered to meet this requirement (one of the two events must have been with BMW CCA Club Racing).
  - ii. The participation must be documented and verifiable.
  - iii. A renewal applicant who has raced at least twice in the just ended license period, but not with Club Racing, may be offered the option of renewing with a license fee surcharge of \$50. This situation will require CR to verify those non-CR events were run without incident – the \$50 fee is to encourage racing with BMW CCA and to cover administrative costs.
  - iv. A racer with at least 3 years of BMW CCA Club racing experience who fails to meet the two event per license period minimum can choose to have his/her license renewed as Provisional or may repeat a BMW CCA club race school to requalify for a rookie license. Note – this is good for only one year and cannot be applied for a multiple year layoff (in the case of a multiple year layoff, a BMW CCA race school will be required prior to renewal as a rookie).
  - v. A racer with less than 3 years of CR experience who fails to meet the two event per license period minimum participation requirement will be required to attend a BMW CCA Club race school, or equivalent in order to renew (with Rookie status).

vi. When Club Races have been inconsistently available in a region, drivers who have continuously held a Club Racing license for a minimum of 10 years from date of their renewal application and who are not on probation in Club Racing or any other sanctioned race series will not be required to meet the two race per year minimum for renewal processing of their competition license.

B. Applicants for Renewal must comply with 2.REQUIREMENTS above.

#### 9. REINSTATEMENTS.

A. Existing BMW CCA Club Racing licenses which have expired within three months of application date and otherwise meet the requirements for renewal may be reinstated.

#### IMPORTANT NOTE:

BMW CCA Club Racing reserves the right to amend or alter the Licensing Policy at any time at its sole discretion. An application in process may, at the sole discretion of BMW CCA Club Racing, be required to comply with any such changes irrespective of its status at the time of amendment or alteration.

BMW CCA Club Racing retains the right to accept or reject any applicant based solely on its assessment of the applicant's qualifications and experience. No guarantee is made that meeting the minimum qualification and experience requirements presented above will result in the issuance of a BMW CCA Club Racing License to the applicant.

By submitting an application, the applicant recognizes that BMW CCA Club Racing is the sole and final authority in determining if any applicant is deemed qualified to be granted a license.