

## Just for Corvettes – Group “Run” Driving & Safety Tips

The purpose of this document is to address driving etiquette for club members during a “Run” to ensure safety and vehicle code compliance from departure point to the destination and return.

### Key Elements:

Each run will have a Lead Car (1<sup>st</sup> car), typically the Event Host, and Sweep (last car). Each car should have a Walkie Talkie, set to Channel 5.

### Lead Car Responsibilities:

- Set the route.
- Identify rest stops in advance, if needed, to ensure adequate parking and good ingress/egress.
- Set the pace of travel. Lead may need to slow the pace while entering the freeway or if interrupted by traffic signals/stop signs, lane merges, etc.
- When approaching a traffic signal, it may be best to not make the light to increase the chances that the group will clear the intersection together in one light cycle.
- If group is separated by traffic, etc., pull over when space allows and it is safe to do so. Sweep will communicate when the group is back in line. Do not pull over on the freeway.
- Communicate lane changes, exits, road hazards, law enforcement presence, turns or detours to the group.
- On multi-lane roads, pull into slow lane to allow other vehicles to pass the group.
- Before starting out, ensure each car has your contact information as a back-up to the Walkie Talkie.

### Sweep Responsibilities:

- Communicate with the **Lead** when the last car has caught up to the group, cleared traffic signals/stop signs, or made appropriate lane changes.
- When **Lead** announces a lane change, Sweep moves over first to block the lane and then communicates to the group that they have blocked the lane. This clears the way for the group to move over and minimizes opportunity for other vehicles to breach the group. This technique should also be used when entering the freeway from an onramp.
- Notify **Lead** if the pace is too fast for the safety and preservation of the group.
- Notify **Lead** if one car needs to pull over.

### Group Responsibilities:

- Safely keep pace with the cars in front of them to minimize opportunities for other cars to breach the group.
- Notify the **Lead, Sweep and Group**, if you need to leave the group, and that you are pulling over and do not need assistance.
- When approaching traffic signals, if possible, double-up lanes to aid the group in making it through the lights.
- Be courteous to non-club cars.
- **Have fun driving your Corvette and enjoy the friendship!**