

## **Indy Region Solo Worker Responsibilities**

The SCCA or Sports Car Club of America is great place for the motorsports enthusiast to pursue his or her passion. Putting the events on requires a substantial amount of effort, and the club relies on the general membership for help in order to be able to hold these events.

Unlike in other forms of motorsports where there are drivers and workers, the participant of a Solo or Autocross actively participates in running the event by performing various kinds of work functions. A number of people are required for pre-event preparations, such as course set-up, tech inspection, and driver registration. A large group of people is needed during competition to staff the corner stations, timing and scoring, grid, etc., while another group is taking its runs on the course. Basically, participants take turns driving and working so that everyone can enjoy the event and have a good time.

Some of the specialty positions are assigned prior to the event. Please contact the Indy Region Solo Chair(s) or the Event Chair(s) for volunteering for these positions. The remaining worker positions are assigned during the event by the worker chief. The typical duration of a work assignment during the event is one heat. If an entrant decides to skip the assigned work assignment without approval, he/she is disqualified from the event, which could also have implications for participation in future Indy Region events.

The Indy Region Solo events are part of a points series with year-end championships and trophies awarded. In order to qualify for the year-end awards, the participant has to be an Indy Region member before the last event of the seen and having worked in a specialty worker position.

The responsibilities of the various worker positions are listed below with explanations of tasks that help guide the person volunteering for this position. Contact the current Solo Chairs if you wish to volunteer at an upcoming event.

### **Solo Chair**

#### *Year-end qualifying position*

The Solo Chair is ultimately responsible for the Indy Region Solo program and is the interface to the Indy Region SCCA Board. He/she sets the direction of the program, plans the season, and performs some of the critical tasks required to put on the region's Solo events. The function of the Solo Chair can also be jointly performed by two or more people as Co-Chairs.

### **Event Chair**

#### *Year-end qualifying position*

The Event Chair is responsible for the administrative tasks of a specific event, makes sure that all specialty worker positions are filled, that the people staffing the event know what their responsibilities are, and coordinates the efforts to make the event smooth-flowing and successful. The function of the Event Chair can also be jointly performed by two people as Co-Chairs.

**Safety Steward***Year-end qualifying position*

The safety steward assures safe operation of the event per the SCCA rules. This position requires training and licensing.

**Course Designer***Year-end qualifying position*

The course designer is responsible for assessing the site, and designing and setting up a suitable, safe, fun, and challenging course in the spirit of the SCCA Solo rules. In the process, the course designer needs to obtain approval for the course design from the safety steward and the Solo and Event Chairs.

**Set-up***Year-end qualifying position*

The set-up crew shows up early and helps setting up the equipment, which can include tasks such as moving equipment out of the Solo Bus, marking the cone locations on the course, and lining the course. This work assignment is performed in addition to the regular event work assignment.

**Chief of Registration***Year-end qualifying position*

The chief of registration oversees the registration process, makes sure that registration workers are assigned and understand the job requirements, all needed equipment and supplies are available and set up, and that the registration process is as pleasant and hassle-free for the competitor as possible.

**Chief of Timing and Scoring***Year-end qualifying position*

The chief of timing and scoring sets up the T&S equipment, communicates with the worker chief to make sure that a sufficient number of T&S workers are available, assigns the individual functions, provides the individual workers with specific instructions, makes sure that the T&S operations are performed smoothly and without any glitches, and provides lap times and class standings to the competitors in a timely manner.

**Timing and Scoring**

The timing and scoring worker assists in recording run times by operating the T&S computer or manually recording time, assigning cone penalties as called in by the course workers, and distributing times and class standings to the competitors.

**Tech Inspector**

The tech inspector checks competing cars for safety based on the SCCA Solo rules prior to the start of competition.

**Worker Chief**

The worker chief is responsible for staffing all worker positions during the event. He/she assigns work responsibilities in a timely manner according to the skills and abilities of the individual.

**Announcer**

The announcer communicates event information to the competitors over the PA system. This involves announcing driver and car information as well as activities on the course during competition in an informative, fun, and fair manner.

**Grid Worker**

The grid worker directs traffic in grid, and is responsible for getting cars to the line in a timely manner (grouped by class), while maintaining a safe environment.

**Course Worker**

The course worker monitors the course and the cars that are competing, sets the course back up after cones get hit, and communicates cone penalties to Timing & Scoring, while maintaining a safe environment.

**Starter**

The starter sends off the cars in a safe distance, but quickly enough in order to assure a smooth-running event without unnecessary downtime. The starter communicates with Timing & Scoring and monitors the course.

**Chief of Waivers**

*Year-end qualifying position*

The Chief of Waivers is responsible for ensuring each participant has signed the SCCA waiver according to the requirements of the SCCA insurance coverage with regard to Solo events and is wearing the required wristband. Each event needs to have a Chief of Waivers assigned to obtain sanction from the SCCA.

**Clean-up**

*Year-end qualifying position*

The clean-up crew stays after the event and helps putting away in the equipment, which includes tasks such as picking up cones and loading them into the Solo Bus. This work assignment is performed in addition to the regular event work assignment.