



Welcome to all Novice Drivers and their families. Our 2008 Novice training begins on Saturday, February 2, 2008 at the RCQMA race track. Please be prepared to begin promptly at 9:00 am.

Lineups are an important part of the Novice Training Program. The drivers need to learn their positions and signals before racing can begin. Please work with your drivers to practice signals and positions through the use of the training materials provided and any other means you find to be beneficial.

Please work with your drivers to find his/her weaknesses and/or fears. In addition, please keep in mind **THESE ARE CHILDREN**. The time you choose and the way you conduct your home training is important. Please attempt to make the training a fun time while stressing the importance of teamwork, concentration and following direction.

Please bring your Novice package, including Novice Training Checklist to each session. Attendance will be taken before each session and after each session. We would like to see everyone attend all four sessions. You must attend a majority of the sessions to graduate.

It is very important that your car is ready for the first session. We will be performing safety inspections and helping ensure that you are familiar with properly securing the safety belts. We will be on the track during the first session, so preparation of your car is critical. Any items that are not acceptable at the first session will be identified and will need to be corrected before the cars can take to the track. This is imperative for driver safety and QMA insurance purposes. If you have any questions about preparing your car prior to the first session, please contact me, Eric Wilcox (512-563-5600) or any board member.

Within the Novice section of the RCQMA web site please find some racing homework for the drivers to review before orientation begins at the first session. Of particular importance is the ability to recognize the flags as well as the ability to line up. If the included worksheets are not sufficient to attain the required comprehension, please come up with a system to practice both skills that works for your child.

Please bring your own food and drinks because the snack bar will not likely be open. If you have any questions, please give me a call or send me an email at: cheri_wilcox@sbcglobal.net or eric_wilcox@dell.com

We look forward to another great RCQMA race season as well as meeting and working with our new Novice class. With the club planning to make a bid for the national event in 2010, the timing is right to get involved with RCQMA and help mold a future national champion.

Best Regards,
Eric Wilcox
Novice Trainer