

**Lead Car Volunteer Instructions**  
**(1 for each field x 6 fields 9:30-11:30 AM, & 12:00-4:00 PM)**

THANK YOU FOR HELPING TO MAKE THE CHERRY PIE RR POSSIBLE!!!

Your job is to help the lead racers navigate the course and to communicate with traffic control so they may stop traffic before you are on top of them. This means that you will be driving in front of the leaders of the category you are driving for. It's very important that you stay far enough ahead so that the racers don't have to slow down but can still see you. Don't let them draft, either. ;-) However, during the neutral start, go slow...12 mph...and keep the racers behind you until you turn left onto Independence Hwy and racing begins (Official will honk the horn).

Don't be afraid to ask the official what you should do, but don't chatter either. We're all on the same frequency. Attached is a map of the course and the number of laps you will be driving for your field, and an example arrow.

Corners will be marked by marshals (just directing race traffic) or Linn County SAR (who will stop traffic).

1. Fill out the Cherry Pie Entry and Release of Liability and leave it at Registration.
2. Locate the envelope with your instructions and vehicle signs. Sign out a radio & flasher. A piece of paper under the flasher and the radio antenna will help protect the vehicle's paint. A notepad is a good idea to note any issues (misbehaving riders, civilians, etc.)
3. Turn on the radio and make sure that you can communicate with the official that is assigned to your field. Channel 3-15.
4. Turn on your vehicle hazard lights. Note your mileage.
5. Hit the restrooms one last time.
6. Pick up a few wheels from the pile for your field if instructed to do so...just in case. Note the bib number/name for each wheel.
7. Drive to the start area (entrance to Valley Catering).
8. **Have the Vehicle Whip mark your car with the field you are following and follow car.**  
**Example: "men 5 follow"**
9. Lead the racers on the course and take instruction from the race official.
10. If a train comes during the neutral start (keep it below 12-15 mph...nobody will pass you), stop, even if the gates bisect your field. A flagger should be there to help out.
11. **When coming upon the volunteer flaggers use your radio to tell them:**
  - a. **what field you are leading "This is (field name) Lead approaching the intersection of..."**
  - b. **approximately how many racers are immediately behind you**
  - c. **any other information you think may be relevant to them**
  - d. **If you don't receive a response, the radio may be dead at the corner, so advance and talk with them in person, if necessary. Get them a working radio if possible.**
12. At the finish, quickly advance in front of the racers up the finish hill. Feel free to move ahead to make sure the road is clear of oncoming traffic. You may wave oncoming motorists to the shoulder and thank them for being so nice.
13. Use your radio to tell the finish line which field you are leading and drive well past the finish so that you are not in the way of tired, mentally numb, quickly moving racers.
14. Note finish mileage and communicate to your official any issues. Please hand in any notes taken along the way.
15. Sign in the radio and flasher and THANK YOU!!!!

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