

OMRRA Track Protocol for Photographers:

Check in with the Safety Director on the third floor of the Pro Pit Tower at Portland International Raceway. You will sign an indemnity waiver and a copy of this Photographer Protocol, show your OMRRA medical form, and will then receive a Photographer wristband. Sign-in is required only once per weekend. If the Safety Director is not at his desk, go to the base of the tower and ask an OMRRA volunteer in a bright orange shirt to help you find him.

A maximum of 10 photographers are allowed beyond security checkpoints at any one time. Photographers who purchase a Season Photo Pass will have their spot reserved in advance. Otherwise access is first come, first served. Photographers, like all vendors, must pay the OMRRA daily gate entry fee (contact the OMRRA office for Season Photo Pass info).

In addition, OMRRA requests that photographers voluntarily submit five or more race images, without watermarks, to OMRRAinfo@gmail.com within one week of the event. OMRRA will use these photos for promotional purposes only, and will give byline credit when doing so.

Safety protocol:

Photographers must wear a hi-viz green safety vest while trackside. You may NOT wear red clothing. Please bring your own vest, as OMRRA has a limited supply.

You are not allowed beyond track security checkpoints without the Photographer wristband and an OMRRA Med Form. If asked by PIR security or OMRRA corner workers to show your wristband, you must do so. If you do not have one you will be asked to leave the area.

You must remain behind barriers at all times while the track is hot. Stay alert, do not turn your back to traffic, and do not simply bury your head into the back of your camera.

When arriving at a turn station, introduce yourself to the Corner Captain (generally the person with the headset). If they appear busy, wait until they are free. If you are new or uncertain, ask where you may photograph.

Please refrain from using the word RED in conversation while at turn stations. Use the word CRIMSON instead. If you don't know why, ask a corner worker.

You may not cross the track without permission from a Corner Captain. Crossing the track is typically done at turns 3 and 9 during scheduled track-crossings, and at the beginning or end of lunch break.

You must obey all safety instructions from corner workers. Do not try to help corner workers pick up bikes or assist riders. Let corner workers and EMTs do their job unencumbered. In general you are a guest at the corner, have been given special access, and a live track is a potentially dangerous place. Act accordingly.

Acknowledged and understood (print, sign, date)