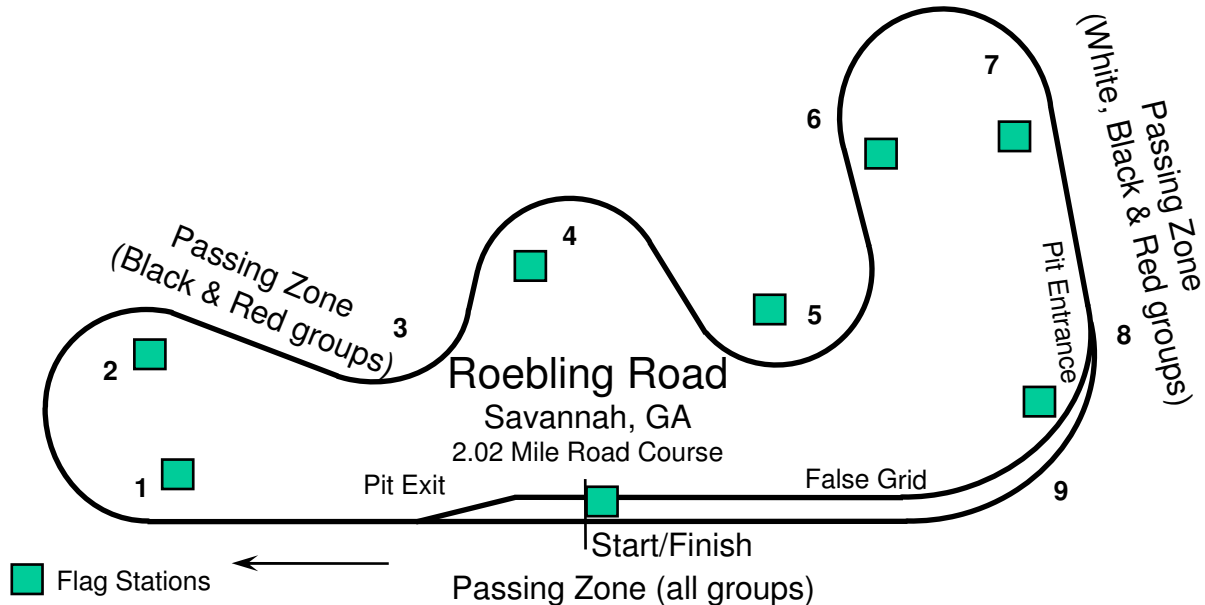


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Beginner's Guide to Roebling Road Raceway



Roebling is a technical track that requires drivers to hit the apex of every corner. Keep this in mind as you read this high level view of a lap around Roebling Road Raceway. We'll start with the entrance to turn 1.

Turn 1 : Turn one is a right hander at the end of a 3200ft straightaway. All passing must be completed before approaching the first brake marker. You will most likely be in high gear before braking. Start turn 1 on the left side of the straightaway. Brake and down shift in a straight line before turning in.

Turn 2 : Transition from the apex of turn one to the outside of the track to prepare for turn 2. Additional brakes and another downshift is usually required. Turn two is a late apex corner.

Turn 3 : Turn 3 and turn 9 are the fastest corners on the track. Set turn 3 up by moving right or center in the short straight before entering turn 3 and up shift as required. Set a single arc and gently transition the car from the outside at the entrance of turn 3 to the inside at the exit of three.

Turn 4 : Hard braking and a down shift is required as you approach turn 4 left of center. Turn 4 is a late apex corner that requires patience. Throttle is applied to help settle the car.

Turn 5 : Probably the hardest turn to master, but the most rewarding when done right. The key to turn 5 is partially the transition out of turn 4. The track out of turn 4 should be left of center and flatten your arc as you break into turn 5. Rotate the car well right of center and apply smooth steady throttle to keep the back of the car planted. Hit a late apex and let the car track all the way out on the right.

Turn 6 & 7 : Two corners often thought of as one. Break hard as you enter turn 6 to the left of center. A lot of patience is required on this corner as a early apex can cause trouble and will certainly cost speed on the exit of turn 7. Let the car completely track out as you exit turn 7. Upshift and accelerate uphill to the entrance of turn 8.

Turn 8 & 9 : Also two corners often thought of as one. Gently transition the car from left to right with a single arc and clip the apex. Slowly begin acceleration as you approach the apex to keep the car planted and to ramp up exit speed for the straightaway.

Check your mirrors upon entering the front straight, check your gauges, look for merging traffic from the pit lane, pass only when signaled, up shift as you gain speed and take a deep breath because turn one is only a few seconds away!