

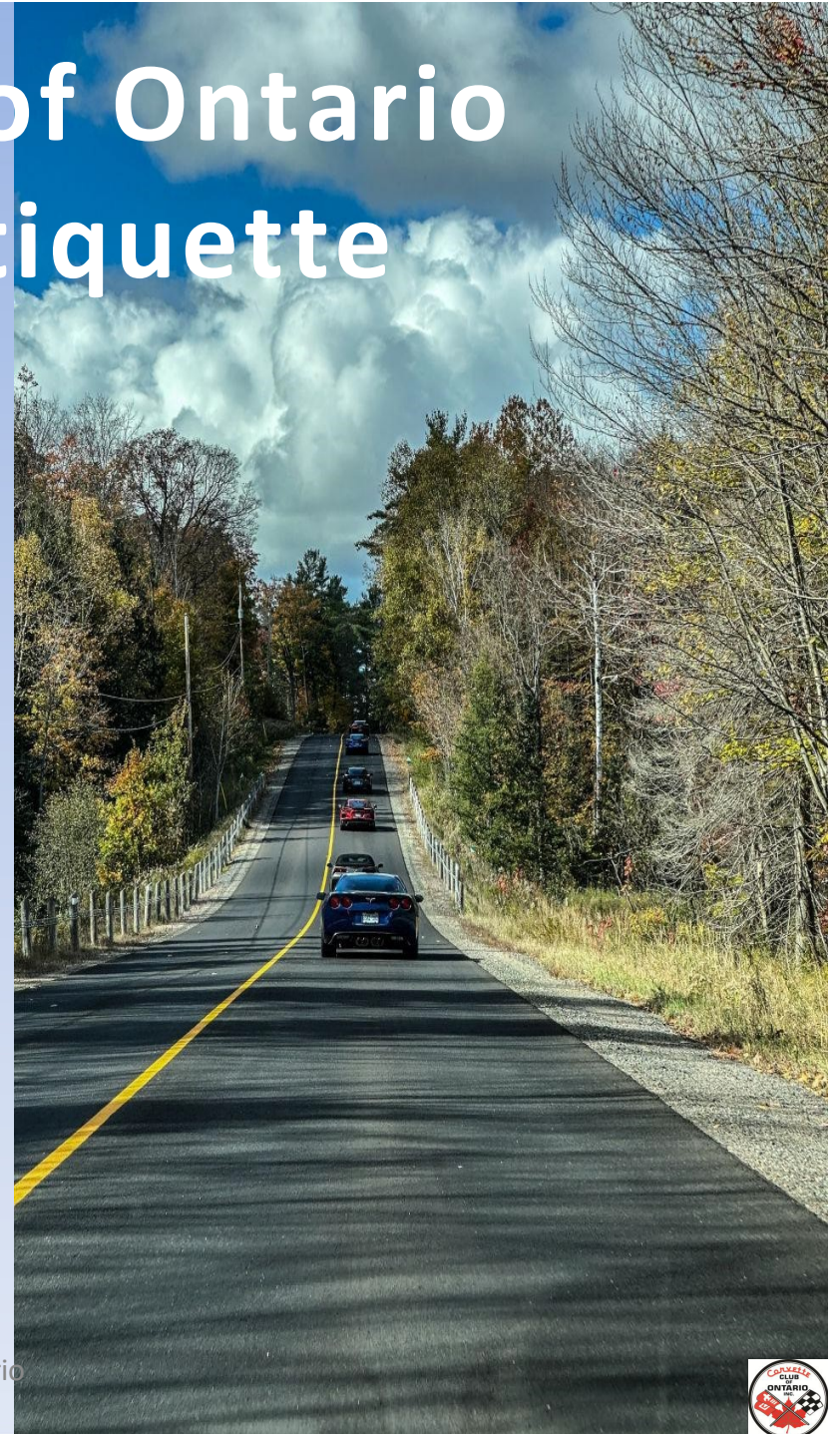
Corvette Club of Ontario Car Cruise Etiquette



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Corvette Club of Ontario Car Cruise Etiquette

Definition:

A CCO cruise is a gathering of Corvette enthusiasts who drive together along a predetermined route, with designated stops, and enjoy the company of fellow Corvette lovers.



Corvette Club of Ontario

Purpose:

The primary goal of a CCO cruise is to enjoy driving our Corvettes on unique roads, celebrate the Corvette culture, share knowledge about our vehicles, and foster a sense of community among the membership.



Section 1

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette

Understanding Car Cruise Etiquette

The Cruise Events

The Corvette Club of Ontario (CCO) hosts a number of car cruise events every driving season. A large number of CCO members participate in these cruise events. To ensure a safe and fun driving experience, CCO encourages participants to use the following informal rules and practices when participating in cruise events.



Section 1

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette

Understanding Car Cruise Etiquette

The Driver's Meeting

Be attentive during the driver's meeting. Communication on the following will be provided:

- Road safety.
- Route details.
- Route changes.
- Contact Information.



Section 2

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Obey the Law

Obey Traffic Laws and Rules

CCO members are expected to adhere to traffic laws, drive responsibly, and prioritize safety during a CCO cruise event. Obeying traffic laws ensures the safety for yourself, passengers, pedestrians, and other road users.



Section 2

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Obey the Law

Obey Traffic Laws and Rules Continued

CCO members are expected to follow all local traffic laws and guidance that apply in the jurisdiction (Canada or the USA) we are driving.



Section 2

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Obey the Law

Obey Traffic Laws and Rules Continued

CCO members are expected to obey the posted speed limits and keep a safe distance from other vehicles. Following speed limits reduces the risk of accidents and fatalities.



Section 2

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Obey the Law

Obey Traffic Laws and Rules Continued

CCO members are also expected to obey traffic signs and signals. Stopping at stop signs and red lights prevent intersection accidents and keeps traffic flowing smoothly.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Stay in Formation

When possible, stay in formation. This may help to avoid confusion during the cruise and maintain the flow of traffic during a cruise event. When possible and only when it is safe to do so, try to stick to the designated formation.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Maintain Spacing

Keeping a safe distance between your vehicle and others in the cruise will help you and other members stay safe in the event of a sudden stop or in the event of needing to make an evasive manoeuvre.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Use your Turn Signals

Communicating your intentions with turn signals and hand signals will help other drivers in the cruise stay informed of your actions and intentions.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Double Turn Lanes

Some roads have special double turn lanes for making a right or a left turn. These double turn lanes are usually found at large intersections or when exiting a highway. make your turn from the marked lanes and keep your lane position as you turn onto the other road. Once you have completed your turn from the outside lane, move back to the right hand lane when it is safe to do so.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety



Driving Through a Roundabout

On the approach, slow down and watch for pedestrians. Yield to the vehicles already in the round-about as they have the right of way.

Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Driving Through a Roundabout Continued

As you approach the roundabout, choose which lane to use as you would for any other intersection. Use the left lane to turn left or to go straight. Use the right lane to turn right or to go straight. Do not enter a roundabout from the right lane if you want to turn left and vice versa.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety



Driving Through a Roundabout Continued

Once you are in the roundabout, continue driving do not stop except to avoid a collision; you have the right-of-way over entering traffic. Do not change lanes while in the roundabout. If in the inside lane and you miss your exit, you must continue around until you meet your exit again.

Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Driving Through a Roundabout Continued

When exiting a roundabout, be sure to signal your exit. Stay to the left if you entered from the left lane, or stay to the right if you entered from the right lane. If exiting from the left lane, watch out for vehicles on that may be to your right.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Be Aware of your Surroundings

Stay vigilant and aware of your surroundings when driving. This includes:

- Being aware of other vehicles.
- Being aware of pedestrians and cyclists.
- Potential hazards on the road.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Stay Focused

Minimize distractions while driving, such as using mobile phones or engaging in unrelated activities. Focusing on the road will help keep you and others safe.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Respect Others

When participating in CCO cruise events, be considerate of other road users.

This includes:

- Other drivers not participating in the cruise.
- Pedestrians and cyclists.
- Large commercial vehicles.
- Residents along the cruise route.



Section 3

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Driving Safety

Plan Ahead

Familiarize yourself with the cruise route and any planned stops or checkpoints along the way. Members who are participating in cruise events will be provided with a communication email which will provide:

- Cruise route information.
- Planned stops.
- Any last minute changes.

Be prepared for unexpected changes or delays.



Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

The Starting Location

The Corvette Club of Ontario Cruise Events will always have a large number of participants. This may create a bit of a challenge when such a large group of cars needs to leave a parking lot. Coordination and patience are key to ensuring a smooth and safe departure. Here are some informal step-by-step tips:



Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

Follow the Leader

The Cruise Director or another CCO member (Captain) may be assigned to lead the group from the starting location.

Follow their instructions to help keep the flow moving quickly and without disrupting non-members who may be at the designated starting location.



Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

The Exit Route

An exit route for the starting location is usually predetermined. This exit route will be the most efficient route for the group to exit the starting location. It will have taken factors like traffic flow and potential obstacles into consideration for leaving the designated starting location.



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CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

Be Patient

Recognize that it may take some time for everyone to exit the designated starting location, especially if it's a large group. Avoid honking horns or displaying impatience, as this can create unnecessary tension and stress.



Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location



Watch for Pedestrians

Wherever we gather, no doubt we will generate interest from non-members. Be vigilant for pedestrians and other vehicles entering or exiting the parking lot. Yield to pedestrians and always give them the right of way.

Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

Stay Alert

Remain attentive to your surroundings and follow the instructions provided by the Cruise Director/Captain(s). Be prepared to adjust your position or speed as needed to maintain the flow of traffic.



Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette

Departing the Starting Location

Regroup if Necessary



It is inevitable the group will become separated. This can occur for a number of reasons. When the group becomes separated or encounters unexpected challenges, a designated rendezvous point (usually a rest stop) will always be provided in the email communication to participants. This is where everyone can regroup and re-establish the formation.

Section 4

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Departing the Starting Location

Regroup if Necessary Continued

If you are the last car to make a turn at a controlled intersection and only if it is safe to do so, move over to the right, slow down and turn on your hazard lights. This will allow other members to catch up to the group. Performing this manoeuvre may also alert the cruisers ahead of you to slow down, and/or move over so the rest may catch up. This should only be done when it is safe to do so and does not impede traffic flow or break any traffic laws.



Section 5

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Exiting a Cruise Event Early



The Friendly Wave

If you are on the road and plan to leave the cruise event early, give the car behind you several friendly waves to indicate you are not continuing on. This may help to alert the member behind you that you are turning off and not to follow you.

CCO Car Cruise Etiquette Thank You!



Enjoy the cruise experience while prioritizing safety and respect for others on the road. A well-executed cruise will be enjoyable for all participants while promoting positive interactions within the community at large.