

# Hand Signals

It is against the rules to communicate with a driver while they are on the track racing under green flag conditions. It is very important, however, to communicate with the drivers while they are not under green flag race conditions. The following signals are the common ones used by the driver trainer, race officials, and parents to give instructions to the drivers while they are in the car.

**Turn Switch Off and Stop Right Away:** Pull your cupped fingers across your throat in a slashing motion. This signals the driver to “cut off” the power and stop.

**Slow Down:** Hand or hands held in a flat position palms down extended from your body moved in an up and down patting motion.

**Give it More Throttle:** Thumb and index finger in and continuous open and close motion, like pinching and un-pinching your fingers.

**Switch Positions:** Pointing at two cars and crossing flags/arms.

**Spread Apart from Other Cars:** Arm extended to the front in an opening and closing motion with palms facing outward. Motion almost like clapping without hands touching each other.

**Get Closer to Car in Front of You:** Arm extended to the front in an opening and closing motion with palms facing inward. Motion almost like clapping without hand touching each other.

**Move to the Back of the Pack:** Hand or Flag pointing to your rear end.

**Think About What you are Doing:** Finger pointing to the top of your head.

**Look and Pay Attention:** Finger pointing to your eye.

**Full Throttle:** Slap and hold hands together with arms extended in front of you with right hand on top and left hand on bottom.

**This Flag in one Lap:** Any flag held in a furled position, with one or more fingers held above it. Take the number of laps indicated by fingers then take action required by flag.

**Car Entering Track:** When the flagger or handler point to the high side of turn 1 that means that another car is about to pull onto the track and all drivers on the track should be cautious and pay attention.