



Are you thinking of competing in the PRB Motorsport Race Series?

We'll show you:

- How to get your CAMS licence
- How to select the right car
- Where to get help



You have seen the PRB movies on YouTube, read the Newsletters and may even have come out to watch some of the races. Now you have made the decision in principle – you would like to join in the excitement – but are not sure how to get started. That’s where we come in, and we think you’ll be surprised at how simple it can be.



First things first - get your Racing Licence

Everyone competing in circuit racing in Australia must be licensed correctly. This means that they have to meet the standards required for:

- medical fitness
- knowledge of the principles of circuit racing, and
- demonstrated practical ability

Sounds like a lot, but it is all quite easy and PRB Motorsport will provide you with an experienced mentor to assist.

Here is the process in more detail:

- Apply to CAMS for a Provisional Circuit (PC) or a Provisional Clubman Circuit (PCC) licence. This can all be done via the CAMS website: www.cams.com.au or call the CAMS member hotline: 1300 883 959.
- Complete a medical with a CAMS-approved doctor.
- CAMS will then provide you with access codes to complete an on-

line test, although in many cases this is done by the provider of a CAMS Driver Training course

- Either complete a Driver Training course that includes a CAMS Observed Licence Test (OLT), or
- Call CAMS and book into one of their regular OLTs run in conjunction with race meetings

Once these tests are completed, you will receive your CAMS licence and be allowed to enter PRB Motorsport race meetings. The steps in the above process can be done over a couple of weeks, but we suggest you allow a little more time as you may have to wait for an approved Driver Training course or an OLT.

In order to run at any OLT you will need to have a set of complying apparel ie at least 2-layer suit, helmet, gloves, socks vest and balaclava, these can be purchased from any race shop.

Buying your PRB

The best starting point is to look for a road registered car that already complies with the rules for PRB Motorsport Race Series Class C. Alternatively you can purchase one of the Class A special-purpose race cars that become available, but you must recognise they will take more skill to master.

Most PRBs are road registered and Class C simply means the car has an un-modified engine. Most other improvements for racing are allowed in Class C and some are essential for racing – for example, an LSD, an extra set of wheels for wet tyres and, if possible, a CAMS Vehicle Log Book.

The best place to see a selection of PRBs offered for sale is the PRB website: www.prbaustralia.com.au and follow the Motorsport link. Other websites such as my105 and Carsales also list PRBs.

Some competitors drive their PRB to events. However, if you are really committed to going racing (and have the space to store it) consider purchasing one with a trailer.

Once again, PRB Motorsport will provide you with an experienced mentor to assist with your car purchase.



A few questions that you might already be asking yourself

What is the difference between a Provisional Circuit (PC) licence and a Provisional Clubman Circuit (PCC) licence?

The PCC licence is cheaper but allows the holder to compete only at state level or below car races.

While this is fine for entries in the PRB Motorsport Race Series it would prevent you competing in other events at National level.

How do I progress to a full CAMS Circuit Licence (NC or NCC)?

As a new driver you have to attend 5 race meetings and obtain 5 “signatures” from the Clerk of Course. This means that you leave your licence with the Control Tower for observation during the meeting. You also need to attend one day at a race meeting as a Flaggie.

Are all PRBs eligible to run in the PRB Motorsport Race Series?

Cars eligible to run in the PRB Motorsport Race Series are all PRBs,

plus PRB Birkins and (UK) Westfields that were originally sold by PRB.

Where can I find a list of CAMS approved doctors?

The list is on the CAMS website.

What is a CAMS Vehicle Logbook?

A CAMS Vehicle Logbook serves as an identification of a racing car and records its competition history.

A CAMS Vehicle Logbook is required at all race meetings, plus state level and higher speed events.

If you have purchased a car with a logbook all you need to do is to call the CAMS hotline and arrange for it to be transferred into your name. If not, you need to make sure a few essential items are correctly fitted before arranging a logbook initial inspection. These essential items include a fire extinguisher, full harness, tow hooks, an electrical cut-off switch and white number patches fitted to the nosecone and both sides.

Again, contact CAMS for a list of scrutineers authorized to do the inspections, then contact one to arrange a visit (they usually charge \$50 to cover time and petrol). Once the inspection is completed, and anything missing has been fitted, take a couple of photos of your car and send these and the signed Inspection form to CAMS who will issue a logbook.

How can I learn to drive my PRB well prior to getting my licence?

It is a good idea to have a number of hours track experience before going for your licence, and especially before your first race. You need to know how your car will react to extreme conditions, and feel confident that you can control such things as spins without careering into other cars in close proximity. There are a number of track and/or practice day options you can attend at race circuits in NSW, and PRB Motorsport also organises group training/setup sessions when needed.

Contact the circuits (Eastern Creek on 9672 1000 and Wakefield Park on 4822 2811) to find out dates for practice/driver training days. Also keep an eye on the PRB motorsport section on the PRB website.

How do I learn to setup my new car properly?

PRB Motorsport will provide you with starting points for camber/caster/toe/shock settings and provide a service for corner-weighting and other car setup needed.

Running at track days also provides the opportunity to make changes and setup the car to your tastes.

What if I want to race but do not want to own a car?

Arrive and Drive packages are available, contact PRB Motorsport on 02 9402 5092 for more details.

Useful contacts

PRB Motorsport

www.prbaustralia.com.au

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