IMPORTANT
Border Crossing Information
5th SCORE Baja 400
Presented by VP Racing

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All Vehicles with Trailers

To expedite your border crossing, you must enter Mexico at the preferred **San Ysidro-Tijuana (Chaparral) Border Crossing using Lane #21. *(Furthest to the Right)*** - Best time to cross is from **6:00am to 9:00pm.** Try to avoid afternoon peak traffic hours beginning at 2:00pm, and make sure to have with you at all times the following documentation; if you don't comply with some of the requirements listed below you might be either turned around or asked to pay Import Fee's to Mexico Customs.

NEW OPTION - As a result of Mexican Customs support to SCORE International, SCORE race teams will also be able to cross at the **Mexicali East or Calexico II** border crossing by complying with the same requirements!

You can obtain Mexico tourist cards (FFM) in Immigration offices at border crossings. Office are open 24 hrs. Mexico Tourist Cards (FMM) highly recommended if staying over 7 days or travelling south of Ensenada.

- **All vehicles with trailers must pass through the X-ray scanner**. All other vehicles, if not required to pass through X-ray machine, please continue on and do not park in Customs area.
- Prepare a complete Inventory (Pieces, Description, Current Value NOT NEW)
- **Valid Driver License, Passport and Original Registration for Tow Vehicle & Trailer**
- **Registration or proof of ownership for all Race Cars, Pre-runners, UTV's, Motos, Quads, Etc.**
- A **MAXIMUM OF SIXTEEN (16) spare tires** allowed per race vehicle. NOTE: Per Customs personnel, please do not cross with all **SIXTEEN** (16) tires in one vehicle - divide them into groups with recommended maximum of four (4) per vehicle wherever possible.
- **Tires MUST BE mounted on wheels** - **NO unmounted tires!**
- Motor oil, and any other fluids, must be in original containers with description stickers on containers so officials can identify fluids.
- **NO RACE GAS** in Dump Cans or in any other container - Only allowed is in vehicle fuel tanks.
  - ➔ **IMPORTING RACE GAS IS STRICTLY PROHIBITED!**
  - ➔ **NO UNINSTALLED ENGINES!**
- Not more than one (1) nitrogen or compressed air tank per vehicle.
- **ONLY** U.S.A. Citizens or legal residents can Cross U.S. VEHICLES into Mexico.
- Reasonable quantity of promotional T-shirts, Posters, Sticker, etc. etc.
- Merchandise for SALE in Mexico is subject to Import Taxes and Duties.
- DO NOT film or picnic in the Customs area!
- ► **All Semi-Trailers MUST USE Commercial Cargo Lane at Otay Border Crossing**

The following documents must be provided by your company, to your broker when applicable.

- ▶ Tax I.D. of your company. (EIN)
- ▶ Name and address of the company. (P.O. BOXES ARE NOT ACCEPTED)
- ▶ A power of attorney and a copy of the legal representative's official I.D. will be required (driver's license, passport etc.)
- ▶ Invoice-Inventory - A list of all goods, tools, parts, auto parts and toolboxes, etc. per truck is required, and a description of it. Tires must be mounted on wheels and be listed; on the same line you will need to add the quantity, value, country of origin and weight of the goods.

▶ **IMPORTANT - NEW CUSTOMS INSTRUCTIONS: ANY RECREATIONAL VEHICLE MUST CROSS THROUGH TOURIST LANE 21, (Far Right) NOT THROUGH THE COMMERCIAL LANE!**

▶**Vehicle and Driver Details**

- Tractor serial number (VIN#) and license number plates & state of issue
- Trailer license number plates & state of issue
- Drivers Name for the US papers (E-manifest)
- Driver license number & state
- Passport or Birth Certificate number

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• All weapons, ammunition, drugs, and alcoholic beverages are strictly prohibited from crossing into Mexico!

Important notice: **All the paper work must be complete and sent to the broker you select with at least a 7-day advance in order to prepare the proper import and export documents on time.**
All trucks must cross thru the commercial cargo lane (Mexican Customs and US Customs) both Northbound and Southbound.

- Gasoline import is **PROHIBITED**
- T-shirts and souvenirs must not be in the truck (take separately)
- Tires without wheels (unmounted) are not accepted

These are temporary importations. **All items must be returned to the USA.** If any items are not returned, there will be a penalty considered by the Mexican and U.S. Governments.

Otay Commercial Border Hours:

Southbound (USA to Mexico) **Monday thru Friday 8:00 am to 9:00 pm**
Saturday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Northbound (Mexico to USA) **Monday thru Friday 6:00 am to 9:00 pm**
Saturday and Sunday 8:00 am to 2:00 pm

Chapparal (San Ysidro Crossing) - Mexican Customs recommends that teams cross at San Ysidro between 7:00 am and 8:00pm. Plan to avoid heavy afternoon/evening traffic if possible.

Chapparal (San Ysidro-Tijuana) Crossing is at end of I-5 & I-805 Fwys
Otay Mesa Commercial Crossing is at end of 905 Fwy



If you experience border crossing problems contact:

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