

Going to Indy 500 – Here Are Some Hints

- **It's a cashless event.**

All major credit cards (Visa, Mastercard, Discover & American Express) along with both Google Pay and Apple Pay are accepted.

For What is permitted and what isn't

- **Attend Friday and Saturday events.**

Calendar include autograph sessions, drivers meetings, historic race car laps, and concerts featuring Kool & the Gang, Foreigner, and the Zac Brown Band. You definitely don't want to miss these. Also not to miss: the Indianapolis Motor Speedway Museum. located on the speedway's grounds.

- **Consider the Shuttle and Go Early.**

Remember everyone else is trying to leave. The drive out after the Race will test your patience.

- **Necessary to Remember:**

Shoes you can walk long distances. It is really a big Speedway.

Earplugs, Noise canceling headphones. It's really loud.

Sunblock – It's a long race and only a few places are shaded.

Bring Lots of Water – stay cool and hydrated. Frozen water will stay cold.

Toilet paper – *Yes, it runs out.*

A backpack cooler: You're going to want to pack food and cold drinks.

Security regulates the size of bags and coolers; but backpack coolers are an acceptable size.

No glass bottles. *Aluminum and plastic only.*

Bringing beer into the Speedway *is* permitted, so long as it's aluminum.

Remember, you *cannot* buy beer on Sunday until noon. After noon, you can only buy single-serve cans of beer at the concession stands and the lines are often long.

- **Other Items:**

A poncho: In case it rains.

A lanyard: For keeping credentials organized in one place.

Binoculars: It's arguable that some of the best seats at the Speedway are up high as they afford you better overall viewing. But you'll still need those binoculars for a zoomed-in look at the race.

A hat and sunglasses: These bundle well with sunscreen.

A silver or black Sharpie pen: For autographs.

Do walk over to Gasoline Alley before the race.

Every driver, team and car enters through there to get to the track and you're welcome to head there to watch this parade without any necessary credentials. You might get an up-close look at the cars and drivers.

Explore the infield in between (particularly Turn 3).

Check out Pagoda Plaza for food, drink, and music.

Tailgating is allowed at Indy 500 and can take place both outside the arena and inside of it — that is, in the central fields and parking lots located inside the racetrack.

Parking Information See: <https://parkmobile.io/blog/where-to-park-for-indy-500/>

For More Information See:

<https://hungryfan.com/blogs/resources/spectating-at-the-indy500>

<https://parkmobile.io/blog/where-to-park-for-indy-500/>

<https://www.indianapolismotorspeedway.com/events/indy500/plan-ahead/gate-regulations>

Not Attending the Race:

This is how to watch the Indy 500

NBC or live on Peacock