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To: Star Mazda Championship teams and drivers  
 From: Star Mazda Communications / Peter Frey  
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 Re: Driver physicals and meeting in Indianapolis

The procedures for getting drivers licensed to compete in the 2011 Star Mazda Championship will be different than in the past, with a premium placed on getting the procedures completed early. This is just an early 'heads up'... INDYCAR will publish an invitation to attend in the next few days and we will forward that to you asap.

Drivers should plan to be in Indianapolis at the Speedway on the following schedule:

Monday, January 10th	Physicals (all day)
Tuesday, January 11th	Physicals (morning) Meeting (afternoon)
Wednesday, January 12th	Physicals (all day)
Thursday, January 13th	Physicals (all day)

Drivers do not need to be in Indianapolis for the full four days. Basically, they will have to complete their physical and attend the meeting. Most drivers want Tuesday morning physicals, but it isn't possible to accommodate all drivers that day, so some drivers end up on Monday or Wednesday (both sides of the Tuesday meeting). Thursday tends to be for Indianapolis based drivers (since they are in Indy anyway).

Drivers do not need to have signed deals to get a license. If a driver does the paperwork in January, it avoids a lot of difficulty getting everything done at St Pete. Latecomers can still get licensed, but it will be more complicated. IndyCar's process is more extensive than others, including reports from eye doctors and even baseline brain scans.

Drivers should also consider this an opportunity to meet the teams that are committed to running, begin developing relationships with INDYCAR personnel, and get to know fellow competitors.