

## **Important Information**

Please take the time to look over this information so there are no surprises before or during the event.

### **Temporary Car & Trailer Storage**

Space for tow vehicle storage during the event is **non-existent** in San Francisco. If you have need of such storage, please contact us well in advance and we will try to help you make some nearby arrangements.

### **Airport Arrival & Departure**

If you are flying in, the closest airports are San Francisco or Oakland. From the airport take a cab or shuttle service to the Fairmont Hotel, which is located at 900 Mason St. atop Nob Hill in San Francisco.

Our award dinner is on the evening of April 27<sup>th</sup> and your rooming is arranged for your departure on the morning of the 28<sup>th</sup>.

### Weather

The most frequently asked question... and the keyword is... "unpredictable" - just ask any of the previous participants or even our local weathermen. Late April can be one of the nicest months – warming days, cool nights, wildflowers in bloom, but there is always the possibility of late winter rains just to keep it interesting. You will be traveling through a number of climate zones so you need to plan for temperatures between 30 and 70 degrees, which leads us to...

## ...Clothing

For those of you who are new to the CA Mille... LAYERING is the best way to go! We suggest that you bring a sweater, windbreaker, warm jacket, rain hat, as well as sunscreen and sunglasses. A coat and tie is required for Sunday night at the Fairmont, ladies will need "dressy" casual, maybe silk pants or skirt and jacket, for instance. Other than that, comfortable road trip clothes are the attire during the day and casual is the dress for the rest of the dinners.

## Luggage

We will have a luggage truck on the route to carry your bags. We ask that you limit yourself to **one bag per person**. If you find you need to store additional luggage while on the road, you may be able to make arrangements with the Fairmont Hotel, but you will have to retrieve it by Friday, May 3<sup>rd</sup>.

### **Guests**

Meals are provided during the Mille, and are limited to Drivers, Co-Drivers, and staff only! We cannot accommodate extra guests at any of the functions. <u>Due to the size of the group, we cannot provide meals or rooms for drop-in guests while on the road</u>. We're sorry, but there are no exceptions. Any participants who do not comply will be asked to leave the event.

## **Mechanics & Towing**

For your safety, please carry road flares in your vehicle. We provide three mechanics, that follow the route exactly as detailed in the routebook, to help you to get your car going (30 minutes max). Failing that, our flatbed truck, which follows behind the group, will transport your car to the next significant town, where you can arrange for further repairs, storage and/or transportation of your car to the finish. We will be traveling in some very isolated areas of Northern California. and we ask that your car be roadworthy and prepared for the journey. Please make sure to check your brakes, fuel systems, radiator, hoses, etc. and conduct a long, comprehensive test drive prior to the event.

Please adhere to the route as laid out in the routebook to avoid being stranded. We will assume you are following the designated route, so we won't know to look for you anywhere else.

## **Advertising**

No contemporary advertising is allowed on the cars. Historical advertising that was contemporary to the year of the car may be permitted.

### **Licensing & Insurance**

It is solely your responsibility to ensure that your vehicle is currently registered for road use, vehicle code-legal, and has liability insurance coverage, proof of which must be carried in the vehicle while in use on all California roads.

The California Highway Patrol makes no exceptions for out of state visitors.

# **Registration and Parking**

Upon arrival, Sunday, at the Fairmont Hotel, please park you car as directed by our staff, check into your room and then register for the California Mille.

Registration for the California Mille is only open from noon - 4 p.m. on Saturday, April 22<sup>nd</sup> and from 10:00 a.m. - 3 p.m. on Sunday, April 23<sup>rd</sup> in the Garden Room. Please be prompt. Both the driver and co-driver must sign-in in person on one of those two days.

After you have checked in, please apply your vehicle roundels. We will leave in NUMERICAL ORDER on Monday morning, so please be ready to depart on time!

When you arrive at each day's stop, please park in the designated areas. The public will be there to enthusiastically welcome you and admire your car's roadacquired patina!

#### **Crews**

On the Mille, passing a tow rig with a long trailer can be a real problem, because the tow rig is usually too fast or too wide! And every additional support person increases the number of rooms required. As a result, NO ADDITIONAL SUPPORT VEHICLE OR CREW is allowed on the California Mille. Only the listed Drivers, Co-Drivers, Press and staff will be housed in the hotels or fed at any of the meal stops. Please do not ask for an exception.