



## Frequently Asked Questions (FAQ) - Ice Driving USA

### What is Ice Driving USA?

Ice Driving USA is a premier winter driving school located on Dollar Lake in Eagle River, Wisconsin. Participants receive hands-on training in performance ice driving with expert coaching from professional instructors. The program focuses on vehicle control, safety, and skill-building in extreme winter conditions.

### Where is Ice Driving USA located?

Ice Driving USA is hosted at the Chanticleer Inn, conveniently located next to Dollar Lake. The inn serves as the central hub for morning registration, post-drive gatherings, and overnight accommodations. More details can be found on the Chanticleer Inn's website.

### Who operates Ice Driving USA?

Ice Driving USA is a collaboration between Patrik Sandell, local entrepreneurs in Eagle River, WI, and DirtFish Rally School, the program's creator. DirtFish Rally School is a leading rally driving school based in Washington, providing expert instruction for Ice Driving USA courses.

### When is Ice Driving USA available?

Ice Driving USA operates annually from early February to early March. If these dates don't work for you, DirtFish Rally School offers year-round programs in various locations.

### What are the participation requirements?

- Participants must be at least 18 years old and hold a valid driver's license.
- All participants must sign a Liability Waiver and adhere to the Rules and Regulations before being allowed on the ice.
- Participants should be in good physical and mental health to operate a vehicle safely.

### What vehicles will I be driving?

Participants will drive specially prepared Subaru WRX vehicles equipped with studded tires for optimal performance on ice. Both automatic and manual transmission options are available.

### What courses are available?

Ice Driving USA offers two programs:

- One-Day Program: Covers fundamental ice driving skills, vehicle control techniques, and safety training.
- Two-Day Program: Expands on the basics with advanced driving techniques, including rally-style pace notes and competitive-style drills.

Both programs include hands-on training and end with exciting instructor-led demonstration laps.

### How much driving time will I get?

Participants will spend the majority of the session on the ice, with minimal classroom instruction. The focus is on hands-on experience and maximizing drive time.



### **What's included in the course fee?**

The course fee includes:

- Lunch and multiple coffee breaks
- Special Ice Driving USA gifts
- Instructor-led driving sessions
- One dinner (for the two-day program only)

Breakfast, additional dinners, and accommodations are not included.

### **What if I need to modify or cancel my reservation?**

- Ice Driving USA follows a strict cancellation policy outlined in the official Legal Information, School, and Cancellation Policies document.
- No monetary refunds are given; cancellations will result in account credit for future use.
- Cancellation fees apply based on how close to the event the cancellation is requested.
- Driver substitutions are allowed before the event starts.

### **Can I book for a large group?**

Yes! Ice Driving USA accommodates group bookings. Contact us via the Contact section on our website for assistance with arrangements.

### **What should I bring?**

- Warm winter clothing, including gloves and a hat.
- Sturdy, insulated boots with good traction.
- Personal cameras and mounts are allowed, but media must not interfere with event safety or instruction.

### **Will I meet any professional drivers?**

While we cannot guarantee specific guest appearances, past events have featured professional rally drivers and motorsport celebrities. Participants will always be trained by experienced professional instructors.

### **What if I want to extend my stay in Eagle River?**

Eagle River, known as the Snowmobiling Capital of the World, offers a variety of winter activities. We can help arrange additional nights at the Chanticleer Inn or recommend local activities.

### **Who should I contact for additional questions?**

For further inquiries, visit the Contact section on our website. You'll find a general question form and contact information for booking and media inquiries.

**Important Disclaimer:** Participation in Ice Driving USA does not certify or guarantee a participant's skill level in real-world winter driving. This program is designed for educational and recreational purposes in a controlled environment. Participants assume all risks associated with ice driving, as outlined in the Liability Waiver and Rules and Regulations documents.