

Planning a Tour

To plan a tour, it is as simple as finding a location or drive that you think would be fun to drive in a Model A!

Key things to remember when planning a tour:

- Identify a starting area.
 - This should include a restroom and a nearby gas station for members to refuel before starting.
- Identify restroom breaks.
 - After an hour or so, schedule a restroom break. Be sure to include the name and address stops on the directions.
- Identify the starting time.

This information should be **submitted to the Newsletter Editor at least a month in advance** to be listed in the newsletter and on social media.

Tour Preparation For All Drivers

Before the tour:

- Fuel up before arriving at the starting location.
- Check tire pressure, oil, water/antifreeze, wheel nuts, lights, under the car, etc. before leaving home.
- Ensure normal 500-mile maintenance, lube, etc. have been completed.
- Bring water/antifreeze and any tools, spare parts, etc., as applicable.

Other things to remember and have:

- Insurance card.
- A fully charged cell phone
- A GPS or phone with GPS app.
- Contact information for at least one club member who is attending the tour.
- Radio, as recommended by the club for touring. Ensure your radio is set to the correct channel for the tour!

Ohio Valley Region Model A Ford Club

Touring Guidelines

Tours are an essential part of any Model A club and are some of the best reasons to join a club! Driving nearly 100-year-old cars is a great part of the experience, but with the occasional roadside tech seminar and the struggles of modern traffic, this pamphlet is meant to help guide members on the setup, running, and etiquette of touring.



Planning a Route

1. Pick a route.

- You can choose anywhere you want to drive.
- Avoid highways, high traffic areas, detours, safety concerns, etc.

2. Write out directions.

- Make sure directions are detailed and easy to follow.
- Include names and address of locations the tour is stopping.
- Include the name and phone number of emergency contact(s).
- Identify place to get gas during or immediately after the tour.

3. Drive the route.

- Get the approximate timing.
- Check the accuracy of directions and addresses.
- Confirm the route avoids items mentioned above.

On The Tour

The tour lead will lead a “Driver’s Meeting” before departing. **It is important that you already have gas before this meeting.**

On the tour:

- Follow the tour lead in the lineup of Model A’s. Ensure you leave some space between cars for safety, but not enough to lose the touring group.
- If you are stuck at a red light, please radio to ensure the group slows down.
- **When turning, make sure that you stop at the corner so that the cars behind you know when to turn.**
- You should always have the person behind you in your rear-view mirror. If you cannot see them, please slow down. This will slow down the tour to allow others to catch up
- In the event of a mechanical mishap, please pull over and radio to the group **WHEN SAFE TO DO SO!**
 - If the car behind you has trouble, please radio ahead to alert others and promptly slow down when safe.
- At the destination, please try to park together if possible. We encourage backing into spots when safe to do so.

The tour lead is responsible for getting members to the destination.

After the tour is concluded, you will need to make your way home, possibly without others. This is a great time to find out who lives near you and you can have a “post-tour tour” and drive back together.