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Leave driving to the Supercar stars: RACQ

The State's peak motoring body has urged Gold Coast 600-goers to ditch the car and catch public transport, with gridlock expected at the weekend.

RACQ spokesperson Renee Smith said with several major road closures already in place ahead of the three-day event, it would be difficult for drivers to get around.

"With about 200,000 people expected to turn out and see the Supercars roar by the shore, it's important everyone plans ahead," Ms Smith said.

"Closures are now in effect on roads like the Gold Coast Highway, Surfers Paradise Boulevard, Main Beach Parade, Breaker Street and Hill Parade to transform the Glitter Strip into a race circuit, which will return to normal next Tuesday.

"Parking restrictions also apply, so flash your Supercars ticket for free public transport on the G:, Queensland Rail City Network trains and Surfside buses.

"The best way to get into the heart of all the action is by jumping on one of the extra tram services running for the event and hopping off at Main Beach or Surfers Paradise North stations."

Ms Smith said while the event would fuel fun and adrenalin, it was important drivers always left the high speeds and stunts to the professionals.

"We all need to remember our roads aren't racetracks and there are rules in place to help keep us safe and avoid crashes," she said.

"The only ones who should be putting pedal to the metal and pushing the limits are the Supercar drivers."

The latest road closures and traffic changes could be viewed on RACQ's Road Conditions website.

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