

# **MORRISTOWN, TN**

## **TRAVEL DIRECTIONS TO/FROM FREE PARKING AT BMS**

### **MORRISTOWN, TENNESSEE**

#### **TO BMS**

From Morristown, depending on the part of town that you are in, either go south on US 25E to intersect Interstate 81 at Exit 8, along State Route 160 to intersect Interstate 81 at Exit 12, or go north on US 11E through Russellville and Bulls Gap to intersect Interstate 81 at Exit 23. From any of these exits, get on northbound I-81 toward Bristol.

There are three options for traveling from Morristown to BMS once you get onto northbound Interstate 81 – via Blountville from Exits 66 or 69 (to approach from the west on Highway 394) or via Johnson City (to approach from the south on Highway 11E). Highway 394 carries the heaviest load of race traffic of all the designated race routes.

#### **Via Blountville**

Get off northbound Interstate 81 at Exit 66 and turn right at the bottom of the ramp onto eastbound Highway 126 towards Blountville. Go through the intersection with State Route 75. Take the second right past State Route 75 (Franklin Drive) in the Blountville community (there is a TO BMS→ sign at that intersection). Go two blocks and turn right at the traffic signal onto eastbound Highway 394. Using Franklin Drive allows you to avoid the heavily-used intersection of Highway 126 and Highway 394. Continue east on Highway 394. Go under the US 11E bridges. Stay in the right lane. Go through the traffic signal at Tennessee Highway 390, staying in the right lane. To go to Speedway Parking, take a right turn at the next intersection (White Top Road); Speedway Parking is the first driveway on the left. To go to Whitetop Creek Park, continue straight on Highway 394 past the Dragway Entrance and take the next right onto Sportsway Drive at the Copperhead Entrance. Go south on Sportsway Drive about 2,000 feet and Whitetop Creek Park is at the end of the road.

Using the Exit 69 route, at the bottom of the Exit 69 off-ramp, turn right onto eastbound Highway 394. Go through the community of Blountville. Go under the US 11E bridges. Stay in the right lane. Go through the traffic signal at Tennessee Highway 390, staying in the right lane. To go to Speedway Parking, take a right turn at the next intersection (White Top Road); Speedway Parking is the first driveway on the left. To go to Whitetop Creek Park, continue straight on Highway 394 past the Dragway Entrance and take the next right onto Sportsway Drive at the Copperhead Entrance. Go south on Sportsway Drive about 2,000 feet and Whitetop Creek Park is at the end of the road.

#### **Via Johnson City**

Get off Interstate 81 at Exit 57A onto eastbound Interstate 26. Go east on Interstate 26 and through the work zone at Exit 17 (all Interstate 26 lanes are open) and exit at Tennessee Exit 19 (State Route 381, State of Franklin Road) in northern Johnson City. At the bottom of the ramp, turn left and get into the left lane on eastbound State of Franklin Road. Go past the interchange with Highway 36 and take the left ramp to northbound US 11E/19W in northern Johnson City (this is where you enter on Diagram

D2). Go north on US 11E/19W across the first Boone Lake bridge (DeVault Bridge) and through the Piney Flats community into Bluff City. Continue north on US 11E through the interchange with US 19E and across the second Boone Lake bridge (Charlie Worley Bridge) into Bristol.

After crossing the Charlie Worley Bridge, get in the right lane. Get off at the Highway 394 interchange (a right-side exit); at the bottom of the ramp, turn right onto eastbound Highway 394 and stay in the right lane. Go through the traffic signal at Tennessee Highway 390, staying in the right lane. To go to Speedway Parking, take a right turn at the next intersection (White Top Road); Speedway Parking is the first driveway on the left. To go to Whitetop Creek Park, continue straight on Highway 394 past the Dragway Entrance and take the next right onto Sportsway Drive at the Copperhead Entrance. Go south on Sportsway Drive about 2,000 feet and Whitetop Creek Park is at the end of the road.

### **TO MORRISTOWN**

You will not be going back to Morristown the same way that you came in. Westbound Highway 394 and southbound US 11E are among the heaviest-traveled of all the post-race routes. The route below is a few miles longer, but takes less time because the volumes are less and the speeds are much higher. The route back in the Bristol area is shown on Diagram D12. The White Top Route will get Speedway Parking patrons back to Highway 394. From Speedway Parking, turn left onto eastbound White Top Road along the White Top Route. Go east on White Top Road, following the TO 81 signs, and turn left onto eastbound Vance Tank Road. At the STOP sign at Broyles Lane, do not turn onto Broyles Lane; keep going straight on Vance Tank Road. After passing a railroad signal on the right, turn left to go up the concrete ramp of Sweet Knobs Trail to its eastern intersection of Highway 394. You must turn right onto eastbound Highway 394 in the right lane.

From Whitetop Creek Park, go north on Sportsway Drive and turn right onto eastbound Highway 394, get in the right lane, and go over the bridge at the Vance Tank Road interchange.

From either parking lot, the next Highway 394 interchange is at Tennessee State Route 358 (Weaver Pike); once you go over that bridge, get in the left lane. At the traffic signal with US 421, turn left to get to Interstate 81 (a right turn will get you there as well, but adds about 25 miles to the trip) by getting onto northbound US 421. Follow the signs to Interstate 81 along the following routes (there are TO 81 signs along the way):

- a. Continue north on US 421 (the street name will change to Virginia Avenue)
- b. Follow northbound US 421 as it turns left onto Maple Street
- c. Follow northbound US 421 as it turns right onto Pennsylvania Avenue
- d. Go through the traffic signal at Ash Street
- e. At the traffic signal at Anderson Street, the road curves so that a through movement goes onto the Anderson Street bridge over the railroad and a right turn

- goes onto northbound Pennsylvania Avenue. Go through onto the Anderson Street bridge and immediately get in the right lane
- f. At the end of the bridge, turn right onto northbound Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard and get in the left lane
  - g. Go through the Shelby Street and State Street traffic signals; you are now in Virginia, but the street name is still Martin Luther King, Jr. Boulevard
  - h. Continue straight on northbound Martin Luther King, Jr Boulevard towards Interstate 81
  - i. Go through the West Mary Street traffic signal and get in the right lane
  - j. At the next traffic signal (Moore Street/Oakview Avenue), turn right; in one block, you will intersect Lee Highway (US 11/19). Continue straight on northbound US 11/19 (Lee Highway).
  - k. At Interstate 81, turn left onto southbound Interstate 81.

In about four miles, you will re-enter Tennessee at Mile Marker 75. As you approach Exit 69, you may be advised to get in the left lane, depending on what time you get there. Motorists coming onto southbound Interstate 81 at Exit 69 are given their own lane, so all southbound traffic already on the Interstate must get in the left lane. Past Exit 69, you can travel in either lane as you typically would. Exit from I-81 at either Exit 23 (along southbound US 11E), Exit 12 (State Route 160), or at Exit 8 (along northbound US 25E), depending on your final destination location in Morristown.