

From this day on, drivers of the world's proudest sports cars are advised to stick to the right-hand side of the road. For at any moment an AC/Cobra can come storming past, belly low to the road with twin pipes ripping out a curt "good-by!"

There's not much point trying to argue with this potent new combination of super-hot Ford Fairlane V-8 and super-light AC chassis—260 solid American horsepower on tap all day long in a car that weighs 2,020 pounds curbside. The AC/Cobra roadtests zero to 100 in a breath-stopping 10.8 seconds . . . and comes smoking down to zero again in the grip of disc

brakes big enough for a Diesel truck. The seats are deep glove-soft leather, the suspension is supple four-wheel independent, and the way it claws around corners rewrites all the laws of centrifugal force. The V-8 is a real piece of magic. Product of Ford's research in precision-molded "thin wall" cast iron, it is short, narrow, light—and ready to look at the other side of 150 mph (and 7,200 rpm) any time your foot slips. But even whispering around town it doesn't know what "temperament" means and that, coupled with the generous cockpit room, the civilized ride, the reasonable luggage space and

the sleek Italianate lines of the handformed aluminum body, make the AC/ Cobra a touring sports car of the very first rank.

Unhappily, the production is severely limited and, since the price is only \$5,995 p.o.e., only those who drop a line right now to Carroll Shelby Enterprises, 1042 Princeton Drive, Venice, California, will be able to know what it feels like to drive the most explosively exciting car you can own.

