

SOLO EVENTS BOARD

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The Solo Events Board met by conference call March 27th. Attending were SEB members Brian Conners, Mike Brausen, Bob Davis, Zack Barnes, Keith Brown, Mark Scroggs, and Marshall Grice; Charlie Davis, Jason Isley, and Chris Albin of the BOD; Doug Gill and Howard Duncan of the National Staff. These minutes are presented in topical order rather than the order discussed. **Unless noted otherwise the effective date for all new rule, class, and listing change proposals herein is 1/1/2020.**

Comments regarding items published herein should be directed via the website www.soloeventsboard.com

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Recommended Items

The following subjects will be referred to the Board of Directors for approval. Address all comments, both for and against, to the Solo Events Board. Member input is suggested and encouraged. Please send your comments via the form at www.soloeventsboard.com.

Prepared Category

#24975 Clarify NOC listings

The PAC and SEB recommend the following changes to Appendix A.

Appendix A, D-Prepared

Alfa Romeo:

Sedan or sports car (NA, RWD, NOC,)

BMW:

Sedan (NA, RWD, NOC)

Volvo:

Sedans (NA, RWD, NOC)

Appendix A, E-Prepared

Toyota

Sedans (~~non-turbo~~ NA, FWD, NOC)

Subaru

Sedan (~~non-turbo~~ NA, FWD, NOC)

Member Advisories

Street Category

#26458 rule clarification.

Per the SAC, re-flashing the transmission controller is not permitted by any allowance in the Street category.

Street Touring Category

#26525 1989-90 Mazda RX7 GTUs classification

Thank you for your input. The '88 Mazda RX-7 GTU is classed in STR due to its clutch-type limited slip differential, while the '89 and '90 cars are classed in STS with their viscous differentials. The STAC feels these cars are appropriately classed.

#26565 Legality for Removal of Seat Belt Tensioner Shroud / Hardware

Removal, modification, or relocation of the seat belt pre-tensioner and plastic cover in the ND Miata is not permitted per the current rules. The STAC would like to point out that removal of interior pieces to fit aftermarket seats is not allowed.

Street Modified Category

#25797 6 PT Roll Cage and Interior Removal

Per the SMAC, interior trim such as pillar trim and headliners, or door sills may not be removed in SM. Allowances provided in 16.1.O and in 15.J are considered sufficient for installing 6-point cages per the GCR. Rear doors may not be treated as front doors.

Modified Category

#26153 Is My Exocet Knock-Off Allowed at Solo Nationals

Thank you for your inquiry. The current kit car eligibility requirements (see 18.1.A.1) do not permit replicas of recognized kit models. The only clones or replicas which are eligible for DM and EM are those based on recognized production cars (see 18.1.A.2).

Regarding the roll structure, the MAC is not comfortable with approving a variation from Appendix C.

Change Proposals

Street Category

#26588 Please include GT3 (996 & 997 chassis, all) in SS

The SAC would like member feedback on the following classing change proposal (effective date 1/1/2020):

Update the following listing in SS:

Porsche

911 GT3/~~GT3 RS~~ (996 & 997 chassis, ~~excl. 4.0~~)

Street Touring Category

#26061 Allow brake ducts to be oriented to direct air to the rotor

The STAC is soliciting member feedback on a re-write of the brake duct rules for the ST category (effective date 1/1/2020). Current rules don't allow many vehicles to implement brake ducts that are rules compliant. The proposed wording adds allowances for modifications to plastic fender liners/undertrays/etc. in order to route ducting from the front of the car to the brakes. There is also an update to 14.2.E to remove "brake duct" from the list.

Replace the current 14.6.C as as follows:

~~C: Air ducts may be fitted to the brakes provided that they extend in a forward direction only and that no changes are made in the body/structure for their use. They may serve no other purpose. Backing plates and dirt shields may be~~

~~modified or removed:~~

C. Air ducts may be fitted to the brakes provided the air directed to the brake rotor originates forward of the wheel well. Modifications to fender liners, undertrays, and splash guards for routing of ducts is permitted. No new holes may be made in the bumper cover. Backing plates and dust shields may be substituted, modified, or removed. Deflectors that mount to components within the wheel well and serve to direct air towards the rotors are permitted. Modifications for brake ducting may serve no other purpose.

Revise 14.2.E as follows:

E. Fenders may not be cut or flared but the inside lip may be rolled to gain additional tire clearance. (The outer fender contour may not be changed.) Plastic and rubber wheel well splash shields may be modified for tire clearance and to accommodate a rolled inside fender lip. The modifications may serve no other purpose (e.g., air intake, ~~brake ducts~~, etc). No other changes to the standard fenders or wheel wells are permitted.

#26206 Clarification request for Mustang listing in STU

The STAC is seeking member feedback on a revision to the Mustang listings in STU (effective date 1/1/2020). The purpose of this revision is to clarify the listing so that the membership can more easily determine their vehicle classing.

Modify Appendix A as follows:

STU

Ford

~~Mustang (N/A)~~

~~Mustang GT, V6, and ecoboost (2.3T) (2015-2017)~~

~~Mustang (all except Cobra R) (1979-1993)~~

~~Mustang (all except Cobra) (1994-2004)~~

~~Mustang GT (excludes Shelby versions and Boss 302) (2005-2014)~~

~~Mustang GT (excludes Shelby versions) (2015-2018)~~

~~Mustang V6 (All)~~

~~Mustang Ecoboost (2.3T) (2015-2018)~~

Street Prepared Category

#26555 Miata Extended Lower Ball Joints

The SPAC is requesting member feedback on the following allowance change proposal:

15.8.H Camber kits, also known as camber compensators, may be installed. These kits consist of either adjustable length arms, ~~or~~ arm mounts, ~~or ball joints~~ that provide a lateral adjustment to the effective length of a control arm. Alignment outside the factory specifications is allowed. Caster changes resulting from the use of camber kits are permitted.

Not Recommended

Street Category

#26478 Proposal: C7 Corvette Grand Sport to A-street

Thank you for your input. The SAC believes this car is appropriately classed at this time given the current popularity of AS, but will continue to monitor the competitive balance of the class for future changes.

#26524 Clarification on radiators for street class

Thank you for your input. As per section 13 of the Solo rule book, alternate parts must not provide any performance benefit. The SAC believes that aftermarket radiators that offer potential cooling enhancements could benefit performance and are not allowed.

#26548 Infiniti G35 (sedan and coupe) DS to GS

Thank you for your input. The SAC feels the G35 is appropriately classed at this time.

#26554 Clarification on GM Performance Air Intake

Thank you for your input. The SAC feels that this dealer installed option is not in the spirit of the Street category.

#26587 +- 2

Thank you for your input. The SAC believes the wheel allowance is sufficient at this time.

Street Touring Category

#26534 Continental ExtremeContact Sport as Street and ST spec tire

Thank you for your input. The STAC and SEB do not believe mandating a spec tire would be in the best interests of the ST category.

Street Prepared Category

#21202 Traction Control

Thank you for your input. The SPAC does not believe that this change would be in the best interests of the category.

#24599 Street Prepared Sunroof Removal proposal

Thank you for your input. The SPAC does not believe that this modification is in the best interests of the category.

#26031 Four cylinder z3 to DSP

Thank you for your input. The SPAC does not think that creating a cross platform update/backdate vehicle is in the best interests of the category.

#26546 coolant reroute allowance

Thank you for your input. The SPAC does not believe allowing for cooling system modifications of this level are in the best interests of the category.

Street Modified Category

#26277 NVH foam/padding NOT visible from interior/exterior

Thank you for your input. The SMAC believes the removal of NVH foam/padding in any location is not consistent with the core modifications of the Street Modified category.

#26457 Create a Street Modified class for bigger, CAM type cars

Thank you for your input. The SMAC does not believe combining the provisional class rules of CAM with SM is appropriate at this time. As CAM is a provisional class without an Advisory Committee, please direct your member input to Howard Duncan, Doug Gill, or Raleigh Boreen.

Modified Category

#25925 Proposal #23570 Front aero

The MAC does not believe it is in the best interests of the category to significantly expand the aero allowances for DM and EM, for example to match those of XP, at this time.

Other Items Reviewed

Street Category

#26472 AS Mustang Clean Up (Move them all to BS)

Thank you for your input. The Mustang GT with Performance Pack Level 2 is listed in B Street in the official 2019 Solo rule book. The SAC will continue to monitor the competitive balance of BS for future changes.

#26481 05-12 911 request for comment

Thank you for your input.

#26550 25430 comment

Thank you for your input. Please see the withdrawal of item 25430 in the April Fastrack.

Street Prepared Category

#26201 Update on SP light classing

Thank you for your input. The SPAC is continuing to work on the limited prep rule set.

#26571 Response to letter #25346

Thank you for your input. The intent of the change for transverse leaf springs is to address the critical supply issue for aftermarket springs of this type.

#24688 Allow coilover conversion for Corvettes

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter 25346 in the March Fastrack, in which the SPAC is requesting member feedback on a proposal which would allow this modification.

Modified Category

#26208 DF Goblin Kit Car

Thank you for your inquiry regarding the eligibility of the Goblin kit car. The requirements for kit car eligibility are documented in Solo Rules section 18.1.A.1.

#26618 Support for adjustable jets on 2-cycle FM cars (Letter 25570)

Thank you for your comments regarding the published proposal.

#26628 #25252 Footplates in B Modified

Thank you for your comments regarding the aero proposal.

Handled Elsewhere

Street Category

#24065 Class McLaren 720s to SSP

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to item #23601 elsewhere herein.

#26338 Disappointed with the recent ruling regarding DSC controller

Please see response to #26256 in the April Fastrack.

#26340 Stop shock allowance rules creep in Street

Please see response to #26256 in the April Fastrack.

#26342 The Slippery Slope of E-Shock Tuning

Please see response to #26256 in the April Fastrack.

#26348 Yet another argument against adaptive damper coding

Please see response to #26256 in the April Fastrack.

#26549 VQ boats to GS

Please see the response to letter #26548 elsewhere herein.

#26577 Regarding 25430, proposal to move E92 M3 ZCP from FS to BS

Please see the response to letter #26550 elsewhere in this Fastrack.

#26625 Change 997 GT3 RS to be included in SS

Please see the response to letter #26588 elsewhere herein.

Street Touring Category

#26314 Commonize or clarify brake duct rules between STU, ESP, and TT

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter #26061 elsewhere herein.

#26356 Get rid of lightweight batteries in ST*

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter #25271 published in the February Fastrack.

#26357 Lightweight batteries

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter #25271 published in the February Fastrack.

#26358 OEM sized and weight batteries please

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter #25271 published in the February Fastrack.

Modified Category

#25900 New aero proposal

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to #25925 elsewhere herein.

#25901 New aero proposal

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to #25925 elsewhere herein.

#25902 Dive planes/canards

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to #25925 elsewhere herein.

#26026 DM aero,#23579

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to #25925 elsewhere herein.

Tech Bulletins

Street Category

Errors and Omissions: Correction to DS Listings

Correct the DS listing for the WRX STi as below:

Subaru WRX STi (including Special Edition) (~~2004~~-18)

Street Prepared Category

#23601 Car class - McLaren 720S

Per the SPAC, please add the following listing to Appendix A:

SSP

McLaren

720S

Prepared Category

#26694 Correction to CP appendix A

Errors and Omissions: An editing error allowed a previously withdrawn proposal to be added to the 2019 CP section in Appendix A. The correction is as follows:

~~Anti-lock braking systems (ABS) may be added, replaced, removed, or modified. The use of non-OE or modified OE ABS incurs an ABS weight adjustment.~~

Traction control/stability control may not be added to a car which was not equipped with an OE traction/stability control system. OE systems may be retained, but may not be replaced or modified in any way other than removal. ~~Modifications to the OE ABS which also modify the OE traction/stability system are not allowed.~~