

SOLO EVENTS BOARD

SOLO EVENTS BOARD MINUTES | February 24, 2016

The Solo Events Board met by conference call February 24th. Attending were SEB members Steve Hudson, Mike Simanyi, Richard Holden, Brian Conners, Eric Hyman, Mike Brausen, Bob Davis; Doug Gill and Howard Duncan of the National Staff; Terry Hanushek and Bob Dowie of the BOD. 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 **1/1/2017**.

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Recommended Items for 2017

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.

Street

#15002 Fiat 500 Abarth Move to HS Proposal

The SAC would like to recommend the following class change effective 01/01/17:

From **GS to HS:**

Fiat

500 Abarth

#17748 Re-class base c7 Corvette to AS

The SAC recommends the previously-published proposal to move the following listing in Appendix A, effective 1/1/2017:

From **SS to AS:**

Chevrolet

Corvette Stingray (non-Z06) (2014-2016)

#17901 2010 Porsche Cayman S still in SS for 2016

Based on member feedback, the SAC recommends the following class change effective 1/1/17:

From **SS to AS:**

Porsche

Boxster S (2009-2012)

Cayman S (2009-2012)

Member Advisories

Tire Rack Solo Nationals

#19192 Course Designers

The SEB has selected Marcus Merideth and John Hunter as course designers for the 2016 Tire Rack Solo Nationals.

Street

#18956 Model variation between countries

Thank you for your input. Option package conversions must be complete per Section 13; wheels may not be separately interchanged.

Street Touring

#17848 Adjustable Spring Perches on divorced-coil cars

It is the opinion of the STAC that the current wording of 14.8.A allows the use of non-standard spring perches for divorced coil-spring suspension types.

#17819 Oil Cooler Install - Trim shield

Per the STAC's review of current ST allowances, section 14.10.A allows the use of accessory fans with oil coolers. Body modifications, other than as explicitly stated in 14.10 or 14.2, are not permitted to facilitate the installation of supplementary coolers.

Street Prepared

#18789 Use of Spherical bearing in place of bushing on live axle

Regarding 15.8.1.5, which states: "The lower arms may be replaced or modified and the lower pickup points on the rear axle housing may be relocated."

The SPAC would like to clarify that lower control arms with spherical bearings are compliant.

#18806 Rule clarification for update/backdate - electrical

The SPAC would like to clarify update/backdate for instrument panel swaps. All gauges in the new cluster must work, and re-pinning of connectors is allowed under 15.9.e. Section 15.1.C does not allow modification or trimming of parts to facilitate an update/backdate.

#18859 SPAC vacancies

The SEB has approved the addition of Eric Stemler to the SPAC.

Other Items Reviewed

General

#18852 Clarity in DNF

Thank you for your input.

Street

#18811 Re-classing Porsche Cayman/Boxster models in SCCA Street Classes

Thank you for your input. The SAC is continuing to monitor the performance of Porsches relative to their respective classes.

#18847 Don't want more sporty cars in HS

Thank you for your input. HS numbers have improved nationally with the addition of the sportier cars. The membership is reminded that Regional programs are free to create classes to better cater to their local membership.

#18848, 18854, 18873, 18881 Member comments on moving Fiat 500 Abarth to HS

Thank you for your input.

#18890 Please explain why you feel the Celica is appropriately classed

Thank you for your additional input on this matter.

#18891 Initial Classification of 2016 Ford Focus RS

Per the SAC, we will classify this car once they begin showing up in showrooms. Classing it now immediately starts the 12 month clock (see 3.2) and that limits our ability to re-class the car if performance proves to be different than expected.

#18943 Moving the base C7 Corvette to AS

Thank you for your input. Please see item #17748.

#18948 Moving Boxster, Cayman and Cayman S to BS

Thank you for your input.

Street Touring

#17857 STP and older cars

The STAC thanks you for your input. STP rules and classing are as contained in the 2016 rule book. We will be monitoring the class and make adjustments as needed.

#17859, 18174 STP feedback

The STAC thanks you for your input.

#17860, 18119, 18139 STP Wheel Width Allowances

The STAC thanks you for your input. STP rules and classing are as contained in the 2016 rule book. We will be monitoring the class and make adjustments as needed.

#17869, 17916, 17920 STP Proposal Feedback

The STAC thanks you for your input. STP rules and classing are as contained in the 2016 rule book. We will be monitoring the class and make adjustments as needed.

#18215 STP Allowed Cars

The STAC thanks you for your input. STP rules and classing are as contained in the 2016 rule book. We will be monitoring the class and make adjustments as needed.

#18448 14254 RWD Wheel Width Limit Proposal

The STAC thanks you for your input.

#18855 backing plate removal support

Thank you for your support on this topic.

#18902 Moving WRX to STX

Thank you for your input.

Street Prepared

#18771 16443 Touring Cars - GCR T1 Allowance

Thank you for your input. The SPAC and the SEB will be publishing their findings on this issue shortly.

Not Recommended

Street

#18861 Reclass 1993-1995 RX7

The SAC feels the 1993-1995 RX7 is appropriately classed in AS.

#18838 370Z back to CS

Thank you for your input. The SAC believes the 370Z is appropriately classed.

#18928 TRD Allowance cars to

Thank you for your input.

#18929 Port installed Options

Thank you for your input. The SAC continues to monitor the implications of the port installed options rules.

#18778 SSR and new cars

Thank you for your input.

#18900 Allow Alternate Brake Rotors for OEM Carbon Ceramic Brakes

Thank you for your input. Per the SAC, the only currently compliant way to change rotor material would be a complete option package conversion to the steel braking system that was an option from the manufacturer. An allowance for rotor material changes would be outside the scope of the Street category.

#18912 Allow alternate pedals/pedal kits in Street Category

Thank you for your input. The SAC doesn't feel that this is an appropriate allowance for the Street category.

#18945 Engine bay plastic covers

Thank you for your input. The SAC does not feel that this is an appropriate allowance for the Street category.

Street Touring

#18849 NEON (ALL) to STF

Thank you for your letter. The STAC feels that the performance potential of the older Neons does not fit what is envisioned for STF.

#18895 92-97 Corollas in STF?

The STAC does not feel that the age and performance parameters of the older Corollas fit the philosophy of STF. Please see a related item under Tech Bulletins.

Street Prepared

#18048 Request to include SSP cars

At this time the SPAC does not see a need to classify every possible make and model which could be eligible for the class. If a member would like a particular car considered for classification, please provide all the supporting data available as to why that specific car should be classed.

#18766 Frame rust repair clarification

The SPAC believes that the current rule, detailed in section 13.1, is sufficient as written for repairs in SP.

#18953 POV pop off valve treated like a BOV

The SEB and SPAC do not wish to revisit the rules related to pop-off valves at this time.

Prepared

#18761 Exocet Classing into XP

The PAC feels the Exocet is an example of a kit car that is produced rather than being a production car. Replicas of production cars are considered on a case by case basis. The PAC thanks the member for their inquiry.

Note: Please see related item #17892 elsewhere herein.

#18788 Toyota Corolla GTS to FP

The PAC feels this car is appropriately classed in DP.

Handled Elsewhere

Street

#18853 Request initial classing for Ford Focus RS

Thank you for your input. Please see the response to letter 18891.

#18963 Requesting classing for Ford Focus RS

Thank you for your input. Please see item #18891.

Modified

#17909, 17910, 17914, 18758 Exomotive Exocet

Please see the responses to item 17892 elsewhere herein.

#18905 Minimum weight for CM

Please see item #18329 in the March Fastrack.

Change Proposals

Street

#17283 Rethinking Street Classing

When the Stock to Street transition took place in 2013, the SAC made certain assumptions about car performance based on tire technology of that time to class cars for the Street category. With the advent of the new generation of street tires, several of those assumptions are no longer valid. For example, high horsepower cars are able to use their power quite effectively, and mid-engine cars do not have as much of an advantage as was assumed based on prior tire technology. As a result, the SAC would like member feedback on the following adjustments to Street.

The committee is proposing the following individual line-item moves; They will be considered independently based on feedback from the membership.

- Change 3.4 Option Packages as follows:

The SEB may ~~designate limited availability~~ **limit or offer separate classing for** option packages as inappropriate **within** the Street Category, even though the base car is eligible for Street. Such exclusions will be included in Appendix A (Automobile Classes).

- **Move from AS to BS:**

Porsche

Boxster S (2005-2008)

Cayman S (2005-2008)

- **Move from BS to CS:**

Porsche

Boxster (987 chassis non-S) (2005-2008)

Boxster S (986 Chassis) (2000-2004)

Cayman (non-S) (2005-2008)

- **Move from CS to DS:**

Scion

FRS (non Series 1.0, w/o TRD Springs, w/o TRD Swaybars) (2013-2016)

Subaru

BRZ (2013-2016)

- **Move from BS to FS:**

Cadillac

ATS (3.6 V6)

- **Move from FS to DS:**

BMW

128i (2008-2013)

228i (F22) (2014-2016)

328 (F30/F31/F34, including diesel) (2012-2016)

3-Series (E46, non-M3) (1999-2006)

3-Series (E90/E92/E93) (Non-M3, Non-Turbo) (2006-2012)

428i (F32/F33/F36) (2014-2016)

Cadillac

ATS (2.0 Turbo) (2012-2016)

CTS (non-V, non-VSport) (2003-2016)

Chevrolet

Camaro V6 (2010-2015)

Chrysler

300 V6 (2011-2016)

Dodge

Challenger V6 (2011-2016)

Charger V6 (2011-2016)

Ford

Mustang V6 (2011-2016)

Mustang EcoBoost (2015-2016)

Hyundai

Genesis Coupe (4-cyl turbo) (2013-2016)

Genesis Coupe (V6) (2010-2012)

Infiniti

G35 Sedan (2003-2009)

G35 Coupe (2003-2007)

Lexus

IS300 (2001-2005)

IS250/350 (2006-2016)

GS350 (2005-2016)

Mercedes-Benz

C-Class 6-Cyl (non-AMG) (2001-2016)

CLK V6 (1998-2009)

- Move from CS to ES:

Mazda

MX-5 Miata (2006-2008)

Porsche

Boxster (non-S) (1996-2004)

- Move from FS to GS:

BMW

5-Series 6-Cyl non-M5 (E28, E34, E39) (1985-2003)

6-Series 6-Cyl Non-M6 (E24) (1985-1989)

Chrysler

300 V6 (2004-2010)

Dodge

Challenger V6 (2008-2010)

Charger V6 (2006-2010)

Magnum V6 (2005-2008)

Ford

Thunderbird (V8 and V6 supercharged) (1989-1997)

aguar

X-Type 3.0 (2002-2008)

S-Type V6 (2000-2008)

Mercury

Cougar (V8 and V6 supercharged) (1989-1997)

- Move from *GS* to *HS*:

Hyundai

Veloster Turbo (exc Rally Edition) (2012-2016)

Street Touring

#17062 Added Fuel Allowance

Per the STAC, the following rule change proposal is submitted for member comment:

Add the following new subsection to 14.10 Engine and Drivetrain

M. Cars with combustion chamber oil injection systems may supplement the standard engine lubrication system with additional oil supplied through the standard fuel delivery system.

Street Prepared

#18760 2009-12 Porsche Cayman and Boxster, (Base, S, R, Spyder) to BSP

Per the SPAC, member comment is requested on the following possible reclassifications:

Move from *ASP* to *BSP*

Porsche

Boxster/Cayman (987 model, all)

Boxster/Cayman (986 model, all)

Remaining in *ASP*:

Porsche

Boxster/Cayman (981 model, all)

Modified

#17892 Exomotive Exocet in DM/EM

Per the MAC, the following rule change proposal package is submitted for member comment:

Modify 18.1.A.1 as follows:

- re-letter the second subsection group in 18.1.A.1 to be *g, h, i, j,* and *k*

- modify what will then be subsection *i* in 18.1.A.1 to read as follows:

i. They will be allowed all, but no more than, the modifications that production-based cars are permitted, with the exception that minimum width for all kit cars shall be no less than 65" as measured at the narrower end of the car at the tire outer sidewalls with a minimum 14 psi of tire pressure.

- add new subsection *l* as follows:

l. They must compete with full standard bodywork and that body must remain recognizable as that of the approved make and model. For these purposes, the chassis of exoskeleton type cars is considered part of the bodywork.

- add new subsection *m* as follows:

m. Functional wings are not permitted even if they are part of the original kit manufacturer's specification and/or components. If present they must meet 18.1.F.6.

- modify 18.1.F.6 as follows:

6. If the *a* factory production *or kit car* was supplied with tunnels or wings, they may remain but they must be blocked in a safe manner to prevent them from functioning to provide downforce. For example, foam or sheet metal may be firmly attached in tunnels or on wings to ruin their shape or to stop airflow.

Note: if this change proposal is implemented, the specifications added to the listing for the Exomotive Exocet will be removed, since these changes have the same effect.

Tech Bulletins

General

#18850 RE Feb Fastrack Item #17319

The following correction is provided to the response previously published for item #17319:

For verification purposes regarding the entry requirement referenced in 4.7.A, the entrant's current and valid Driver's License issued by the state or country of residence is considered acceptable.

Street

#18897 Classing the Mercedes C55 (2005-06)

Per the SAC, add the following new listing in Appendix A:

FS

Mercedes-Benz

C55 AMG (2005-2006)

Street Touring

#18677 Proposal to add Hyundai Genesis Coupes

Per the STAC, extend classing of Hyundai Genesis Coupes in STU as follows:

Hyundai

Genesis (v6)

Genesis (2.0t 4cyl) (2013-*16*)

#18895 92-97 Corollas in STF?

Per the STAC, change the current STS listing from

Toyota

Corolla (1984-91)

to

Toyota

Corolla (1984-*97*)

#19126 STU Boxster clarification - March 2016 fastrack

The years for the Boxster S listing in STU (March Fastrack Letter #18622) were incorrect. The listing is corrected as follows:

From: Boxster S - 986 (2000-2006)

To: Boxster S - 986 (2000-~~2004~~)

Street Prepared

#18134 Classing Audi R8(All), Audi TT RS, Lamborghini Huracan

Per the recommendation of the SPAC, the SEB has approved the following new listings in Appendix A, effective immediately upon publication:

SSP

Audi

TT RS (2012-2013)

Lamborghini

Huracan, all (2014-2016)

#18433 Feedback on 16905

Per the recommendation of the SPAC, the SEB has approved the following new listings in Appendix A, effective immediately upon publication:

SSP

Porsche

Cayman GT4 (2016)

Modified

#17892 Exomotive Exocet in DM/EM

Per the MAC, the following new listing (with specifications as shown) is added to the approved make and model list in 18.1.A.1, effective immediately upon publication and subject to the provisions of 3.2:

Exomotive Exocet

Minimum width 65" measured at tire outer sidewalls at narrower end

Full standard exoskeleton and other bodywork required and must meet 18.1.B.1

No functional wings or tunnels