

Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by Sterling Doc - 12 Oct 2015 19:03

OK guys, time to hear out RCR's for next years rules. We'll keep this open through the end of the month, and then get the new rules, if any, hashed out.

As always, please bear in mind that rules changes need to be cost effective to existing cars, as well as new builds, and the burden of proof is on why the new rule is needed, not justifying the existing rule - rules stability is key here!

Stay tuned for a big announcement in about a week, as well!

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by cbuzzetti - 26 Nov 2015 06:22

So I went to Phils tire and looked at the Jongbloed wheel. It is a nice looking wheel but I do not see any available for 944.

Agracer, did you call them to be sure we can get our offsets and monting pattern?

I am asking this question because I am considering running my 944 in GTS again and decided to look for wheels and found that very few wheels are avaiable to fit any 944 vehicles.

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by Atteberry - 29 Nov 2015 19:19

Finally got the time to look on the forum, pesky work got in the way again, anyone know how to become independently wealthy. So in one afternoon read all 34 pages of comments on rules changes. It revealed a very spirited and informed debate. To the person running the SE region and growing the class starting at "0", excellent suggestions on how to grow a region. We should all take notes on the ideas used.

My vote on the ideas

Welding the bumper pistons YES these are not a safety item on the car they were a requirement by the federal government to mandate a 5 MPH bumper hit that would result in no damage. Not something needed on a race car.

Adding foam after cutting out spare tire well for safety. NO unless I am missing something foam is flammable material and the fumes from it are toxic, why add flammable material to a race car.

Short shifter YES with a caveat. It appears majority think that the shifter mechanism in the car is a weak point in the car if raced. At a \$90 cost this is an inexpensive fix. My caveat is will this result in adding strain to the transmission and result in breakage of another transmission component. If it does not then allow but specify parts allowed.

Wheels allow a specified after market due to limited supply of optimum stock wheels. YES My views I suspect will be declined but my opinion is as follows. Look at the tire and how we squeeze it on a 7" wheel it looks silly and I suspect compromises the performance of the tire so I would like to see at 9" wheel instead. I would also like to see a lighter wheel to help improve performance as well. However given we are a spec class that wishes to control racing costs this wheel would have to be at the same cost as the current cost of a cookie cutter wheel. If not the total extra cost could not be more than \$50.

One note racing is not cheap and we should not promote ourselves as cheap racing. We do not cut costs for any reason. The result is a car that lacks optimized performance within our rules and can result in safety concerns. What we are is economical or controlled cost racing. The time we spent on dyno rules and the control of engine modifications has been a great example of cost control. Spec suspension parts are another example. The wheel suggestion and short shifter suggestion are both within the idea of having a controlled cost racing class.

Finally my one suggestion. Allow moving the battery from the high front location to the right rear. First it helps corner balance the car. Second it allows using a stock car battery which are economical. One does not have to spent extra money to buy a light weight racing battery to minimize the current poor weight location. As an aside using the normal size car battery reduces the need to bump start cars because the race battery is just not powerful charge or electric power for the car.

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by JUSTMERACING - 29 Nov 2015 19:43

To the person running the SE region and growing the class starting at "0", excellent suggestions on how to grow a region. We should all take notes on the ideas used.

WOW. He's even greater than he thinks he is.

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by wera44 - 29 Nov 2015 20:13

I have to stick up for Jason Stanley here. When I was considering making the move to spec 944 Jason along with most of the SE guys help guide me through my decision. Jason has been very helpful and is always easy to reach and is very responsive to our feedback. He's gone to bat for us with race control several times when we thought their decisions were less than fair. I'm happy to have him as our SE director.

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by 1M Fan - 29 Nov 2015 21:48

I to would like to see clarification on the rules on filling fuel cells. I propose not requiring them to be filled from the factory fill location. The CCR doesn't require it and the 944 rules are not clear if it applies to fuel cells.

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by Crooks - 30 Nov 2015 06:14

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Why can't we all just get along? Mike got the class started from nothing in the S.E. he did a great job; he and Brian basically threatened me with great bodily harm if I stayed with my old Dub.

As RD Jason is as good as it gets. He is a tenacious advocate for our class and our drivers as well as "a general all around good guy".

All kinds of fire retardant high impact foams are readily available and CHEAP.

The way I understand the rule regarding fuel cells it allows filling at the cell fill point. Extending the filler tube would compromise the integrity of the cell.

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