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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!

Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016 Posted by rd7839 - 08 Nov 2015 12:26

That is a nice piece and not too expensive. I'm not strongly against it but a car that shifts faster is in theory faster. A big difference? Probably not. Ironically I have a couple of linkages sitting on my bench that I'm doing something similar to. The biggest difference is I'm using all the factory parts including the arm that does the shifting. If that piece can use the factory arm then it is already legal I believe so maybe we should check to see if it's interchangeable.

On another note it was said earlier that cookie cutters are becoming desirable to the vw crowd. I used to be a big part of that crowd having owned at last count 14 air cooled vw's, and I still stay in touch although recently my HotVW magazine subscription did expire. The wheels are still not a hot commodity but what has become the new fad is using the 944 brakes, especially on the type 2 buses. These guys are hitting the junkyards and stealing the front hubs, spindles and calipers/rotors plus a lot of them are taking the whole rear torsion carrier and making them fit the bus. There are people who sell kits to adapt them to buses and these guys hit the junkyards hard. These parts are getting a little harder to find so I would suggest hoarding them when you find em. I know calipers are a consumable, at least for me for a bunch of reasons.

Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016

Posted by rd7839 - 08 Nov 2015 12:45

is this legal?

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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016 Posted by BritRacer - 08 Nov 2015 17:42
I agree that the 0nly944 part looks good but my understanding is that you still could have issues with the linkage as the bushing wear. If we we won't to fix it, let's fix it for good and never discuss it again. Allow the new shift lever, short shifter and linkage, but only their products. That way the whole thing is "new" technology. I missed a shift (1st instead of 3rd) last year and 2 months later my engine failed at champs, not sure if they were related but I am sure it did not help.
I am a against the wheels as I don't feel they are required.
Not sure about the crank scraper, I am sure it will help some cars with power but could it also be used to affect the curve? I don't know enough.
Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016 Posted by afonseca - 08 Nov 2015 19:15
BritRacer wrote:
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Re: Rule Change Requests for 2016 Posted by FDJeremy - 08 Nov 2015 19:21

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No problem with that shift lever as I think it is beefier and wouldn't affect the throw of the lever but what we're really looking at is the linkage back at the transaxle as a fix for that sloppiness hasn't been addressed in the rules as of yet.

Take a look at this link: only944.com/partscatalog/only/shortshifter/
