

May also be used, under the same conditions, any commercial fuel(s) which—in France, Germany, Great Britain and Italy—is (are) of the highest octane rating, according to the Research Method.

If the above-mentioned fuel could not be easily imported into the country where the event is taking place, it may be replaced by another one of similar quality and with the same octane number (RM)—with a tolerance of +1—specially made by an Oil Company.

Whenever—in France, Great Britain, Germany and Italy—a new commercial fuel is made available which has a higher octane-rating than those sold so far, the Oil Company producing this said fuel shall give notice to the FIA by a registered letter and this new commercial fuel (or its equivalent as specified hereabove) may be used for racing 30 days after the registered letter has been mailed.

The Oil Companies who supply fuel directly to the entrants of a race shall have to send to the promoters the characteristics and a sample of the fuel delivered in such quantity as is sufficient to carry out the necessary analyses, and also a declaration stating that the fuel complies with the present specifications.

2) for vehicles propelled by turbine engines: kerosene used by commercial aviation companies for turbo-prop or jet engines or the fuel used by vehicles with conventional type engines and complying with the here-above definition of "commercial fuel".

v) Application of general prescriptions: the general prescriptions must be complied with if the particular specifications of groups of cars of categories A and B do not mention them or do not provide for any stricter prescription.

Art. 254.—Rule for changing from one group to another and authorized amalgamation of groups: cars originally belonging to a certain group but which have been subject to duly declared modifications and/or additions that exceed the limits specified for the group concerned, may pass into a higher group, provided for in the supplementary regulations, with the prescription of which it complies and under the following conditions:

Group 1	passes into group 2.
Group 3	passes into group 4.
Group 4 (or 3+4)	passes into group 5.

TITLE III

SERIES PRODUCTION TOURING CARS (Group 1)

Art. 255.—Definition: touring cars built on large series production terms. These cars shall compete in an event without having undergone any preparation likely to improve their performances or their conditions of use. The only working authorized is normal maintenance or the replacement parts damaged through wear or accident and the modifications and additions explicitly authorized hereafter under article 257. Except for what is explicitly authorized any part damaged through wear or accident may only be replaced by an original part which must be exactly the same as the one for which it is substituted.

Art. 256.—Minimum production and number of seats: series-production touring cars shall have been manufactured in a quantity of at least 5,000 identical units and offer at least 4 seats, except if their engine cylinder-capacity is inferior or equal to 700 cc. In which case the manufacturer may deliver them as two-seaters.

Art. 257.—Mountings and modifications authorized:

a) Lighting devices: all lighting and signalling devices must comply with the legal requirements of the country of the event; cars from abroad must comply in this respect with the Convention on international road traffic.

Lighting devices which are part of the standard equipment must remain those foreseen by the manufacturer and must comply as far as is concerned their functioning with what the manufacturer has foreseen for the considered model. Thus, if changing from a road beam to a passing beam is produced by merely deflecting the beam inside one same reflector, this system may not be altered.

Freedom is granted with regard to the frontal glass, the reflector and the bulbs.

The mounting of additional headlights is authorized provided that a total of 8 headlights is not exceeded (parking lights not included). Extra headlights may, if necessary, be fitted into the front part of the coachwork or into the radiator grille, but such openings as needed in this case must be completely filled by the additional headlights. Shall be considered as a headlight any lighting-device throwing a beam towards the front (dipped-beam, long range lamp, anti-fog lamp).

The fitting of reverse-lights is authorized, if necessary by embedding into the coachwork, but provided it will only switch on when engaging the reverse-gear, and provided the police regulations are respected.

The mounting of manoeuvrable search-lights on the roof or elsewhere is forbidden.

Waivers may be granted to these specifications on condition that they be explicitly provided for in the supplementary regulations of the event.

To comply with legal requirements of certain countries, it is permissible to rearrange the casing of front signalling devices in order to house both traffic indicators and parking lights.

The make of the lighting devices is free.

b) Fuel and oil tanks: must be those normally provided by the manufacturer for the model concerned, the capacities of which are specified on the recognition form. If, for the same model, tanks of different capacities are normally provided, only those mounted on the required number of cars necessary for recognition will be authorized.

The location and type of filling port for the fuel tank(s) may not be changed.

The use of a fuel tank with a larger capacity may be authorized by the ACN with the FIA's agreement, in the case of events organized under particular climatic conditions (on desert or tropical courses for instance).

c) Cooling circuit: if, for the same model, radiators of different capacities are normally provided, only those mounted on the required number of cars necessary for the recognition will be authorized. The addition of a radiator screen is authorized.

The use of a radiator with a larger capacity may be authorized by the ACN with the FIA's agreement, in the case of events organized under particular climatic conditions.

Make and type of thermostat are free, but it may not be removed nor its position changed.

The radiator screen may be a rigid plate fixed behind the grille.

d) Induction: the carburettor(s) or fuel injector pump(s) normally mounted on the recognized model and described on the recognition form may not be changed or removed.

The elements which control the quantity of fuel fed in the engine may be changed, but not those which control the quantity of air.

e) Electrical equipment: the tension (voltage) of the electrical equipment may not be changed.

The make and capacity (amperage) of battery and generator are free. The manufacturer may provide for one same minimum series the use either of a dynamo or of an alternator on condition that this is explicitly mentioned on the basic recognition form or on an additional "variant" form.

The original battery may be replaced—by the manufacturer or the entrant himself—by another one of larger capacity provided however that the location remains unchanged. By location of the battery is meant the coachwork compartment in which the battery is originally mounted.

Ignition coil, condenser, distributor and regulator are free; subject to the ignition system remaining the same as that provided by the manufacturer for the model concerned, and the replacement of the said accessories do not entail any modification of the attachment system provided by the manufacturer for the model concerned.

Spark plugs: make and type free.

In case of an electric circuit under a 12 volt tension, this may be produced either by a 12 volt battery or by two 6 volt batteries connected in series on condition the batteries remain in their original location and that there is no reduction of weight as compared with the original system provided by the manufacturer.

f) Transmission: for one same series of 5,000 cars the following possibilities are given on the express condition that they are those of the series-production and that they are normally sold to the purchaser and entered on the recognition form.

Gear-box:

- either two gear-boxes with the same number of ratios but different in their staging,
- or two gear-boxes with a different number of ratios and different in staging provided that 50% of the required minimum number of cars have been equipped with either one of the gear-boxes.

The fitting of an overdrive system in addition to the existing gear-box is authorized.

Final drive: two different ratios.

Should the manufacturer have provided a greater number of gear-box ratios and/or rear axle ratios, he must, to obtain recognition, prove that he has achieved the required minimum production of the car as many times as he has submitted two different gear-boxes and two different rear-axle ratios. An automatically controlled gear-box is not taken into consideration. The use of it and of its particular rear-axle ratio will always be authorized in addition to the set of two manually controlled gear-boxes.

The gear-box lever must be located as provided by the manufacturer and mentioned on the recognition form. Form and length are free.

The use of an automatic gear-box is authorized but on condition this gear-box is foreseen by the manufacturer and mentioned on the recognition form. No minimum production is required.

It is recalled that, in a basic series of 5000 models a manufacturer may recognize two gear-boxes and two final drive ratios.

For each additional series of 5000 models, the manufacturer therefore has the possibility of requesting recognition for two new gear-boxes and two final drive ratios, if he is able to certify that, in each series the required minimum number of cars has effectively been delivered with the equipment object of the recognition.

g) Shock absorbers: the make and type are free. However, no addition is allowed, and neither their original purpose nor their number, nor their system of operation may be modified. By system of operation is meant: hydraulic, friction, telescopic, or lever type. The original supports may not be changed in any way.

h) Wheels and tyres: wheels must be those provided by the manufacturer for the considered model. They are defined by their diameter, the width of their rim and the track they determine. Wheels which differ by their shape or dimensions may be recognized subject to the following conditions:

- that there are enough cars equipped with such wheels to justify recognition.
- that they are mounted in compliance with the specifications of paragraph "mudguards" of Art. 253.

In any case, the four wheels of a car must always belong to one and the same recognized set of wheels.

Tyres are free (make and type) on condition they are tyres provided by their manufacturer to be fitted on the wheels without any intermediary device. All special or additional non-skid devices for snow or ice may also be fitted.

i) Brakes: must be those provided by the manufacturer. The replacement of worn linings is authorized and their system of attachment is free, provided the dimensions of inner friction surfaces remain unchanged. Servo-assistance is only permitted when duly recognized as fitted on a number of identical cars equal at least to that required for recognition.

It is permissible to fit a dual braking system on condition that it be of the same make as that of the hydraulic master cylinder or provided by the manufacturer of the vehicle.

The material of the brake linings is free provided the dimensions of friction surface of the new linings are the same as the original ones.

The same applies to the clutch linings.

If a servo-assistance is normally provided for on a car, the servo device may not be disconnected.

A pressure limiting valve between the front and the rear brakes cannot be added if the manufacturer has not provided for its fitting in the series-production.

j) Supplementary accessories not included in the recognition: are authorized without restriction provided they have no influence whatsoever on the behaviour of the car, such as those concerning the aesthetics or the inside comfort (lighting, heating, radio, etc.) or those enabling an easier or safer driving of the car (speed-pilot, windscreen washer, etc.) provided they do not affect, even indirectly the mechanical performance of the engine, the steering, the transmission, the road holding and the braking.

All controls and their functions must remain those provided by the manufacturer, but it is permissible to arrange them in such a way as to make them accessible and easier to use, i.e. lengthening of the handbrake-lever, fitting of additional pads to the brake-pedal, etc. The position of the steering-wheel may be indifferently on the left or on the right, provided this only results in a simple transposition of the steering-system linkages as provided and supplied by the manufacturer and without any other mechanical alteration (manifolds, etc.).

The following is authorized:

- 1) *The windshield may be replaced by a windshield of same material but with a heater-defrostor device incorporated.*
- 2) *The original heater may be replaced by another one provided by the manufacturer and mentioned in his catalogue as available on request.*

- 3) An electric water thermometer may be replaced by one of capillary type and a standard manometer by another one of high precision type.
 - 4) The hooter may be changed or an extra one may be added, at the disposal of the passenger if wished.
 - 5) The mechanism of the handbrake lever may be adapted for obtaining an instantaneous unbolting (fly-off handbrake). All electric switches may be freely changed, inasmuch as is concerned their purpose, their location and—in case of the adding of extra accessories—their number.
 - 6) Extra relays and fuses may be added to the electric circuit, battery wires may be lengthened, pipes of the braking circuit may be protected by an armoured casing (metallic or other). The original accelerator cable may be replaced by another one, whether supplied or not by the manufacturer.
 - 7) The original speedometer may be replaced by another one provided it fits exactly in the housing of the original one.
 - 8) Seat brackets may be altered and any kind of seat-covers may be added, even those which constitute a bucket-seat.
 - 9) Jacking points may be strengthened, their location may be changed or extra ones may be added
 - 10) Head-light covers may be fitted provided they do not influence the streamlining of the car.
 - 11) Complete freedom is left with regard to the location and appearance of registration number plates, in consideration of the great differences between legal requirements from one country to another.
 - 12) Safety fasteners (such as straps) may be fixed to the lids of the engine compartment and the luggage boot. The latter may be adapted for better accommodation of the equipment carried (straps for fixing a tool-box, protection of a supplementary fuel-tank, of an additional spare-wheel etc). The attachment system of the standard spare-wheel may be altered provided its original location is not changed.
 - 13) Extra compartments may be added to the glove-box and extra lateral pockets to the doors.
 - 14) Plates of insulating material may be added in all places where they may be necessary to protect those carried aboard the car from a risk of fire.
 - 15) An oil-catch or a water-tank may be fitted.
 - 16) The radiator filler cap may be locked by any means.
- k) Coachwork:** none of the normal elements of the coachwork (dashboard, all inside quiltings whatever their location), and none of the accessories normally mounted by the manufacturer on the lowest priced model may be removed or replaced.

However, the modifications deriving from the fitting of the supplementary accessories authorized in the preceding paragraph, such as those necessitated by the addition of a windscreens washer (drilling of a hole into the bonnet) or of a rev. counter (housing in the dashboard), will be allowed.

The same minimum series may comprehend various materials for seats, upholstery and inside quilting (cloth, leather, plastics, etc.) and two different types of front seats (bench type or separate seats). These variants must be stated on the recognition form and in particular the different weights resulting from the mounting of different seats must be specified.

Transparent parts must, in case of damages, be replaced by others made of a material identical to the original one listed on the recognition form. They shall be completely interchangeable with those originally fitted. They must be mounted on the original supports and their original opening system (if any) must be maintained.

- Nuts and bolts may be freely exchanged and locked by pins or wires. Bumper overriders may be removed. When the regulations of an event allow the fitting of an undershield, the fuel and brake system pipes may be protected by all means.*
- On the contrary, the following modifications are prohibited:*
- 1) to change the rake of the steering column,
 - 2) to remove wheel-spats which are part of the coachwork,
 - 3) to add an extra bolting system of the doors,
 - 4) to add extra parking lights,
 - 5) to change the location of the opening handle of the bonnet,
 - 6) to replace the grille bolts by others of "quick-release" type.
- i) Bumpers, embillishers, streamlining:** bumpers are compulsory on all cars for which the manufacturer has normally provided them. For speed-events on circuit and for hill-climbs, the supplementary regulations may authorize the bumpers of a car to be removed. Failing such an authorization the bumpers must remain. For rallies, any car, normally delivered with bumpers and the recognition form of which shows such an equipment, must retain them.
- Wheel embillishers may be removed. The addition of any protective device underneath the car is forbidden unless such a device is mentioned on the recognition form of the model in question or is authorized or made compulsory by the supplementary regulations of the event.
- When the bumper is an integral part of the coachwork, it cannot be removed, even if the Supplementary Regulations of the event provide for the removal of bumpers. Example: Porsche 911.*

TITLE IV

SPECIAL TOURING CARS (Group 2)

Art. 258.—Definition: cars of limited series-production which may be submitted to certain modifications aimed at making them better suited to competition. The list of the modifications and additions explicitly authorized is given hereafter under Art. 260.

Moreover in this group may be classed cars of group 1 which have been the subject of modifications and/or additions exceeding the limits of group 1. These cars will then enjoy the same freedom as provided for group 2.

Art. 259.—Minimum production and number of seats: touring cars shall have been manufactured in a quantity of at least 1,000 units and be equipped with at least 4 seats; however if their cylinder-capacity is equal or inferior to 700 cc, they may be delivered as two-seaters.

Art. 260.—Modifications and additions authorized: all those already authorized in group 1, plus the following ones:

a) Modifications of the original mechanical parts: the original mechanical parts having undergone all the normal machining operations foreseen by the manufacturer for series-production, except those for which the present article provides a freedom of replacement, may be subject of all perfecting operations by means of finishing or machining, but not replacement. In other words, provided the origin of the series-production part may always be ascertained undoubtedly, this part may be rectified, balanced, lightened, reduced or modified in its shape through machining, to the exclusion of any addition of material, mechanical extension or treatment which would entail a change in the molecular structure or the surface of the metal.