

*In case of the original seats being changed the two new ones must weigh at least the weight as entered on the recognition form for the original ones, but it is not mandatory that they both weigh the same weight.*

**t) Cables and pipes:** it is allowed to entirely modify the arrangement, location and materials of all cables and pipes providing for the passage of fluid elements (air, water, fuel, electric currents, etc.).

*These words apply to the suspension system.*

*The material and location of all cables and pipes may be changed.*

**u) Fuel tanks and radiators:** additional fuel tanks and/or fuel tanks and radiators of larger capacity are authorized, provided:

1) they are provided and supplied by the manufacturer for the model concerned and mentioned on the recognition form or an additional form.

2) the fuel tanks must not:

— be a makeshift installation;

— be fitted inside the passenger's compartment, nor reduce capacity of the luggage-boot beyond the minimum specified in Art. 253, nor encroach upon the space provided for the spare-wheel;

— have a larger filling port than that of the main tank.

However for speed-events on closed circuits, the supplementary regulations may leave the dimensions of filling ports (main and auxiliary tanks) free or authorize larger ones than those provided by the manufacturer.

## TITLE V

### GRAND TOURING CARS

**Art. 261.—Definition:** cars manufactured on a small series-production scale and designed for the drivers who seek the best possible performances and/or the greatest comfort without a special concern about the cost.

**Art. 262.—Minimum production and number of seats:** grand touring cars must have been manufactured in a quantity of at least 500 units identical in all respects (unless authorizations, listed hereafter under Art. 263 specify otherwise) and be equipped with at least two seats.

**Art. 263.—Modifications and/or additions authorized:** exactly the same as those authorized for group 2 (touring cars) (see Art. 260).

## TITLE VI

### SPORTS CARS

**Art. 264.—Definition:** high performance cars which must nevertheless include all equipments normally provided and legally required for vehicles using public roads.

**Art. 265.—Minimum production and number of seats:** sports cars must have been manufactured in a quantity of at least 25 units and be equipped with at least 2 seats (as defined above under Art. 253).

**Art. 266.—Conditions required for recognition:** the 25 cars shall be identical as regards the following points:

**a) Coachwork:** general line, materials of construction, shape of wings and bonnet, number of doors. Small modifications will be allowed when made

necessary by the different uses of the car (circuit or road events), or by the mounting of supplementary equipments authorized by the present regulations.

**b) Chassis:** wheelbase and track.

*It is understood that the 25 identical cars needed for recognition in group 4 must all have the same track measurements with a set of wheels of specific size. However, during the scrutineering for an event, one must take into account the changes in track which could result from the fitting of different wheels or the modification of the suspension and/or brakes such as authorized for this group of cars.*

*The number of headlamps fitted on a car of Group 4, 5 or 6 is free.*

**c) Engine:** cylinder-head, cylinder block, number of cylinders, bore, stroke, number and location of crankshaft bearings, type of bearings and of all rotating parts; number, location and driving system of camshafts.

Number of valves and valve-operating system.

Number and location of the inlet and exhaust ports. (Free: ignition including the number of spark plugs, induction and exhaust: carburettor, filters, manifolds).

Reboring of the engine is allowed up to the limits of the cylinder-capacity class to which the model belongs.

**d) Transmission:** only one series of gears authorized, plus an automatic gearbox. Complete freedom for all gearbox and final drive ratios.

**e) Suspension:** its operating principle and function of its components.

*Four systems of independent suspension must be distinguished:*

a) *McPherson's system;*

b) *independent system by wishbones (two superposed open triangles or one closed and one open superposed triangles);*

c) *independent suspension by one trailing arm for each wheel, the main characteristic being driving axles of variable length and two universal joints for each axle (example: rear suspension of the BMW 1600).*

d) *independent suspension by swing axles, the wheels being fixed on the driving axle, i.e. rear suspension of the Renault Dauphine.*

**f) Braking systems:** the braking system (drums or discs, or drum and disc brakes) must be identical on all cars of the minimum series required for recognition. The braking system must be laid out in such a way that the brake pedal normally controls the four wheels. In case of a leak at any point of the piping or any failure in the braking transmission the brake pedal should continue to operate on at least two wheels.

*As far as the compulsory dual braking circuit for Sports Cars of Group 4 (cf Appendix J, Art. 226 f) is concerned, the following precision is given: for cars of a model originally recognized in the old GT category on the basis of a yearly production of 100 units and reclassified in the sports cars group, the fitting of such a dual braking system is not mandatory unless the supplementary regulations of the event explicitly require so.*

**g) minimum weight:** the weight of the sports cars shall be at least the one stated by their manufacturer on the recognition form of the model concerned, no reduction being allowed. This weight shall be at least equal to the minimum limits mentioned hereafter:

engine cylinder-capacity inferior or equal to	500 cc:	450 kgs		
engine cylinder-capacity from	500 to	600 cc: 460 kgs		
"	"	"	600 to	700 cc: 470 kgs
"	"	"	700 to	850 cc: 480 kgs
"	"	"	850 to	1,000 cc: 500 kgs
"	"	"	1,000 to	1,150 cc: 510 kgs
"	"	"	1,150 to	1,300 cc: 525 kgs
"	"	"	1,300 to	1,600 cc: 550 kgs

