

However, the total capacity of the fuel tanks (main and auxiliaries, if such is the case) shall not exceed the maxima specified by Art.269.

270—Coachwork—Minimum width—Number of seats

Grand Touring series cars shall be equipped with a coachwork enabling a normal touring use, in particular as concerns comfort, habitability and protection against bad weather.

Coachwork shall be completely finished without any provisional part. It shall offer at least two seats located on either side of the longitudinal axis of the car at the same level without prejudicing the normal system of adapting the seat to the size of the pilot.

The minimum inside width shall be 100 cm. for cars with an engine cylinder capacity of 1000 cc. or less, and 110 cm. for cars of a higher capacity.

This width, measured perpendicularly to the longitudinal axis of the car must be respected along a minimum height of 25 cm. and a minimum depth of 30 cm. measured on the vertical plane tangent to the back of the steering wheel and the back of the seat (i.e. at the normal place where the driver needs elbow-room).

The passenger's space shall remain available through the whole event. It shall not be either totally or partly covered and shall offer the same conditions of comfort, habitability and protection as that of the driver. However, supplementary regulations may provide for the covering of the passenger's seat with canvas or any other similar supple material, which can be quickly removed by hand without any tool. Under no condition whatever may the seat be used for a spare wheel or be combined with the fuel tank(s). The latter shall be located outside the cabin so as to protect its occupant from fumes and direct fuel splashing.

Transmission equipment (shafts and cardan joints) shall be placed under the floor boards or in tubes or casings. Floor boards, tubes and casings shall be permanent fixtures, properly joined together and firmly fixed to the coachwork or the chassis.

As concerns the location of the seats in relation to the pedals it shall answer the minimum specifications of Art. 259 for Touring cars. The height under the roof or hood measured in the middle of the driver's seat from the lowest part of the cushion shall be 85 cm. minimum.

Windshield—Windshield-wiper—Protected height

The windshield is compulsory. It shall be placed symmetrically in relation to the axis of the car and be equipped with at least one automatic wiper placed before the driver and wiping a sufficient surface to enable the driver to see distinctly the road from his seat.

For cars with open or convertible coachwork the windscreen shall have the following minimum dimensions:

Width (chord measurement):

90 cm. for cars with an engine capacity inferior or equal to 1000 cc.

100 cm. for cars with an engine capacity exceeding 1000 cc.

Height:

25 cm. measured vertically and carried through the whole minimum width.

Furthermore, the distance between the top edge of the windshield and the lower point of the front-seat cushions shall be 80 cm. minimum, measured vertically at all points of the minimum width.

Mudguards

Mudguards shall be of permanent nature and firmly fixed.

They shall be placed exactly above the wheels and provide efficient covering of at least one-third of their circumference.

The width of the mudguards shall be such that no part of the tyre will pass beyond its edge when the wheels are not steered.

In those cars where mudguards are entirely or partly overhung by the body structure, the combination mudguards-body or the body alone shall nevertheless meet the above protection requirements.

The back extremities of the front and rear mudguards shall come down at least to the horizontal plane passing through the centre of the wheel hub cap.

Mudguards turning with the wheels are prohibited. They must be solid with the body, there being no gap between them.

Hoods

Open or convertible cars shall be equipped with a hood fitting hermetically the windshield, the windows or the side panels and the back of the coachwork.

The hood shall never interfere with the opening of the doors.

Its back panel shall be entirely closed and shall offer a transparent section, providing good visibility behind, of the following minimum dimensions; width, 50 cm.; height, 10 cm.—measured vertically.

It may be used partially or permanently during the event, according to the provisions of the Supplementary Regulations.

The hood may be replaced by a removable hard top, but at scrutineering cars must be presented with one or other.

Doors

All vehicles shall be fitted with at least one rigid door on each side with lock and hinges, giving direct access to seats. When open it shall liberate a space allowing for the frontal passage of a 50 × 30 cm. rectangle.

Vehicles with a front or rear door may have only one door.

Cars with closed or convertible coachwork shall have doors equipped with security glass or transparent rigid plastic material, providing ventilation, each window having a minimum width of 40 cm. and a minimum height of 25 cm.

Rear window

It shall let the light through a minimum width of 50 cm. and a minimum height (for the whole minimum width) of 10 cm. vertically measured.

Luggage trunk

A covered space being an integral part of the coachwork but outside of the space occupied by the front seats, large enough to receive a trunk of 65 × 40 × 20 cm. minimum, besides the spare wheel, tools or the folded hood, shall be provided.

271—Special bodies

Open or closed special bodies built in supplement to those required for the recognition of the car according to Art. 265 above shall be admitted if they meet the specification of Art. 264 (a) and (b) and Art. 270 above, provided the weight of the vehicle at least equal to that of the corresponding recognised car.

Once there is an existing series of 100 units built within twelve consecutive months, offering the standard body and duly recognised, no minimum of construction is further required for a special body whether mounted by the manufacturer or by the entrant.

272—Minimum weight

The weight of a Grand Touring car shall be entered on the recognition form of the model under consideration. It shall be obtained in the conditions specified under 260.

When the weight is being checked, a tolerance of 5% less than the weight entered on the recognition form will be granted.

273—Modifications authorised

All additional equipment and modifications authorised for series production Touring cars (group 1) and Improved Touring cars (group 2) are authorised for Grand Touring cars (group 3), in particular all those listed in Art. 261 and 263.

Any Grand Touring car with extra equipment or subject to any modification not explicitly authorised may take part in a competition only in group 4, as defined hereafter at Art. 275, and subject to said group being provided in the Supplementary Regulations.

However, all open cars when competing in a speed race shall compulsorily be fitted with a "roll bar" adequate for the protection of the driver in the event of the car overturning.

N.B.—Any alteration or addition not explicitly authorised here-above will entail the vehicle ineligible in group 3 and will entail its assignment to group 4 (see Art. 275 hereafter).

Any change or addition not listed above and which has not been subject to a previous written statement of the entrant will entail a penalty which may go as far as exclusion from the competition without prejudice to higher penalties in case of wilful misrepresentation.

274—Touring cars assimilated to "Grand Touring"**(a) Touring Cars with Special Coachwork**

Touring cars of a model recognised by the F.I.A. equipped with special coachwork, as defined in Art. 270 above, but in conformity with regard to mechanism with the series production model, except for changes and additions authorised according to Arts. 261 and 263, shall be assimilated to Grand Touring cars and may participate in events in group 3.

If the above cars are subject to changes and additions exceeding the limits provided under Arts. 261 and 263, they shall pass into group 4, and will then be subject to no further obligation apart from having to comply with the requirements of Appendix C to the International Sporting Code.