

### Solo

# **SOLO EVENTS BOARD | June 28th**

The Solo Events Board met by conference call June 28th. Attending were SEB members Nick Dunlap, John Vitamvas, Zack Barnes, Keith Brown, Marshall Grice, and Mark Scroggs; KJ Christopher of the BOD; Rick Myers, Andrew Benagh, and Brian Mason of the National Staff. These minutes are presented in topical order rather than the order discussed. Comments regarding items published herein should be directed via the website www.soloeventsboard.com.

Unless indicated otherwise, the implementation date for all new proposals published herein is 1/1/2025.

### **Member Advisories**

### **Event Operations**

#34618 Nominations Requested

The SEB is requesting nominations for the Solo Cup and Driver of Eminence awards. Descriptions of these awards, and lists of prior winners, can be found in the current Solo Rules in Appendix J.

#### General

#32970 Allow TireRack Logo relocation for vehicles /w collision cameras

Thank you for your letter. After conversations with Tire Rack and the National Office the following guidelines on the placement of the Tire Rack windshield banner will be added to the Supplemental Regulations to provide a way for vehicles with cameras or other sensors in the windshield to display the Tire Rack banner without interfering with the vehicle safety systems.

"When possible vehicles should continue with the standard placement of the Tire Rack banner centered at the top of the windshield. If the vehicle has through windshield sensors that are obstructed by the standard placement of the Tire Rack windshield banner the banner may be offset to one side of the windshield. If an offset windshield banner still interferes with the vehicle systems the banner may be moved to the leading edge of the roof or the front of the hood if there is not room on the leading edge of the roof (e.g. convertibles). A windshield banner with white text shall be used as long as it provides good contrast against the surface it is applied to. If necessary a black decal may be used (e.g. on a white car)."

#### **Street Category**

#34407 Electronic Throttle Response Modification

Thank you for your letter. There are no allowances within section 13 that permit the use of throttle response control systems. Any such 'plug & play' devices or non-manufacturer authorized vehicle-specific electronic modifications to throttle response/mapping are strictly prohibited.

### **Street Touring Category**

#34277 Substitute bolt in tow hooks

Thank you for your letter. Street Touring rules are an extension of the Street category rules, therefore per 13.2.A "Accessories, gauges, indicators, lights and other appearance, comfort and convenience modifications which have no effect on performance and/or handling and do not materially reduce the weight of the car are permitted. This does not allow driver's seat substitutions, or the removal of "tow hooks" or "tie-down loops."...", however, per 13.2.J "Tow bar brackets may be installed but may serve no other purpose.". The STAC interprets this to mean that tow hooks may be added, but stock hooks cannot be removed.

#34283 Classification Inquiry

Thank you for your input. The 2006 Volvo S60 T5 is not currently classed in Street Touring and therefore is not eligible for National competition. The car characteristics and modifications would place the car into the STH catch-all for local competition.

### **Street Prepared Category**

#32978 Rule clarification about water/methanol injection for cooling

The SPAC reminds members that 15.10.G has an allowance for a water injection system, this does not allow any amount of methanol to be combined with this water.

# **Xtreme Street Category**

#34260 Ladies Classes in CAM and X

Thank you for your letter. There will be CAM and XS Ladies classes at future National Tours, ProSolos, and the Solo National Championships.

### **Modified Category**

#34199 MAC Application

The SEB has approved the addition of Brian Robards to the MAC.

## **Change Proposals**

### **Street Category**

#34375 Classing 3-cylinder MINIs in H Street

The SAC is seeking member feedback on the following changes to Appendix A:

G Street

Hyundai

Veloster Turbo (all) (2019-21)

MINI

- Cooper Clubman (non-S, nonJCW) (2016-19)

Cooper Hardtop (non-S, nonJCW) (2014-23)

H Street

Hyundai

Veloster Turbo (non-N) (2019-21)

MINI

Cooper Clubman (Base 3-cyl, non-JCW) (2016-19)

Cooper Hardtop (Base 3-cyl, non-JCW) (2014-23)

Note: this change would be effective 1/1/2025 if approved.

#34397 Mini Cooper

The SAC is seeking member feedback on the following changes to Appendix A:

D Street

**BMW** 

2 series Gran Coupe (228i X-Drive and M235i) (2020-23)

MINI

Cooper Clubman S (2008-14, 2016-23)

Cooper Hardtop S (2002-23-2013)

G Street

**BMW** 

2 series Gran Coupe (228i FWD) (2020-23)

MINI

Cooper Clubman S (2016-23)

Cooper Hardtop S (2014-23)

Note: this change would be effective 1/1/2025 if approved.

# **Street Prepared Category**

#30638 Clarification for rear toe control link

The SPAC is requesting member feedback on the following proposal to add a new section 15.8.N:

"15.8.N: Lateral suspension links which serve to control toe may be modified or replaced to facilitate toe adjustment, provided the factory mounting locations are used without modification. Factory adjustment mechanisms such as eccentric bolts may be locked out or otherwise disabled."

Note: if approved this change would be effective 1/1/2025.

#32764 Fender liners in LP SP

The SPAC is requesting member feedback on the following rule change, which would be effective 1/1/2025 if approved:

15.2.A

Limited Prep: Fenders may not be cut or flared but the inside lip may be rolled to gain additional tire clearance. (The outer fender contour may not be changed.) Plastic and rubber wheel well splash shields may be *removed or* modified for tire clearance and to accommodate a rolled inside fender lip. The modifications may serve no other purpose (e.g., air intake, brake ducts, etc.). No other changes to the standard fenders or wheel wells are permitted.

#33873 Please consider moving the naturally aspirated Elise out of SSP

The SPAC is requesting member feedback on the following classing change, which would be effective 1/1/2025 if approved:

SSP

Lotus

Elise, Exige, & Exige S (2005-11)

**CSP** 

Lotus

Elise and Exige (non-supercharged) (2005-11)



### **Not Recommended**

### Development

#29986 Kelly Cup nominations

Thank you for your nominations. Candidate 1 was awarded the Kelly Cup in 2020. Additional detail would be required for Candidate 2.

### **Street Prepared Category**

#33382 Power Convertible Tops

Thank you for your input, the SPAC does not believe an additional allowance to remove convertible top drive mechanisms is in the best interests of the category.

#34167 Alternate differential ratios

Thank you for your suggestion, the SPAC does not believe that a further allowance here is in the best interest of the category. The SPAC will continue to monitor the category and could revisit this in the future if needed.

### **Street Touring Category**

#34091 Twins in ST

Based on the prompt and overwhelming feedback we received in support of leaving STX as-is, the STAC has decided to pull back the Change Proposal previously published in Letter #34091. The STAC thanks the membership for their letters.

#34235 S2000 to STU Instead of STR

Thank you for your letter. The STAC evaluated input from the membership related to letter #33461 in the March 2023 Fastrack, and as a result has recommended that the S2000 be moved from SST to STR. The STAC feels that STR is an appropriate classing for the S2000 at this time.

### **Other Items Reviewed**

# Development

#34120 Kelly Cup nom.

Thank you for your nomination, but there was insufficient information provided on the qualifications of this candidate.

#34122 Kelly cup nomination

Thank you for your nomination. However, there was insufficient information in this nomination to make a recommendation.

#34124, 34125, 34126, 34127, 34128, 34129, 34130, 34133, 34134 Kelly Cup Award nominations (various)

Thank you for your nominations.

### **Event Operations**

#32825 30558 feedback

Thank you for your input.

#33766, 33837, 33838, 33907, 34008, 34033, 34145 Course Designer Position for 2023 Solo Nationals (various)

Thank you for volunteering to be one of the 2023 Solo Nationals Course Designers. The designers this year are Karen Babb and Sam Strano. The SEB and National Office Staff encourage people who are interested in doing course designs at Solo Nationals to continue perfecting their skills at local and National Tour/ProSolo events and apply for future Solo Nationals Course Design positions.



### **Street Category**

#34151 Status of Veloster N to STH - letter 33275 previously-&GR Carolla

Thank you for your letter. Pertaining to letter #33275, the STAC is still currently evaluating membership feedback and will provide an official response soon.

Also, please see the response to letter #34443 published in the current Fastrack for updated GR Corolla classing.

#34301 2023 BMW M2

Please see the response to letter #34117 published in the current Fastrack.

#34340 proposed 718 porsche to AS

Please see the response to letter #34320 published in the July 2023 Fastrack.

#34343 Place 2023 VW GTI (40th Anniversary) into G Street

Please see the response to letter #34250 published in the July 2023 Fastrack.

#34371 Street Camber Allowances

Thank you for your input.

#34417 Please move C8 to AS

Please see the response to letter #34412 published in the current Fastrack.

#34550 Please do not put the Tesla Model 3 in AS

Thank you for your feedback.

### **Street Touring Category**

#34349 Return of STP

Thank you for your input.

### **Street Prepared Category**

#33006 2021+ Supra classing in SP

Thank you for your letter. Please see the updated 2023 rulebook with the appropriate model year updates.

#33190 Limited Prep vs Full Prep

Thank you for your input. The SPAC did make updates to the classing before the final re-org was published. All changes are reflected in the rulebook.

#34110 FSP longevity and updating

Thank you for your input, the SPAC is continuing to monitor the competitive balance and health of all classes in the category following the recent re-org of the category. We are collecting all suggestions and will revisit these after this season to review what changes might be needed.

# **Modified Category**

#34279 Open MAC position

Thank you for your application. The position has been filled.



### **Handled Elsewhere**

### **Street Category**

#34339 MCS A90 Supra Lower Spring Perch Legality

Please see the response to letter #34184 published in the June 2023 Fastrack.

#34348 Add more cars to SSR

Please see the response to letter #34361 published in the July 2023 Fastrack.

#34351 purposed moves

Thank you for your feedback. Please see the revision to letter #33487 published in the July 2023 Fastrack,

#34398 classification of new car

Please see the response to letter #34335 published in the current Fastrack.

#34433 2023 Z06 in Super Street

Please see the response to letter #34335 published in the current Fastrack.

#34428, 34430, 34439, 34440, 34446 GR Corolla Classing (various)

Please see the response to letter #34443 published in the current Fastrack.

# **Street Touring Category**

#34162 ND Moved to spec class

Thank you for your letter. Please see Change Proposal letter #34091 in the July Fastrack and the update to that item in the current Fastrack.

#34353 Move 2006-2015 Mazda MX-5 from STR to STX

Thank you for your letter. Please see Change Proposal letter #34091 in the July Fastrack and the updated response to that item in the current Fastrack.

### **Street Prepared Category**

#34159 SP and Limited Prep Classing for 2nd Gen BRZ & GR86

Thank you for your input, please see the response to letter 33868 in Fastrack.

#33714 Porsche 718 GT4 and Spyder in SSP

Thank you for your input, please see the response to letter #33713 in the May 2023 Fastrack.

#33853 Initial classing of Porsche 718(s) GT4, Spyder, and GT4RS

Please see the response to item #33852 in the July Fastrack.

#33887 Add gt4rs to ssp

Please see item #33852 in the July Fastrack.

#34170 Alternate differential ratios

Please see the response to item #34167 in the current Fastrack.

### **Xtreme Street Category**

#34248 Ladies classes at Nats for XAII?

Thank you for your letter. Please see the response to letter #34260 in this Fastrack.



#34271 CAM/XS ladies classes

Thank you for your letter. Please see the response to letter #34260 in this Fastrack.

#34296 XA/XB/XS Ladies Class

Thank you for your letter. Please see the response to letter #34260 in this Fastrack.

#### **Classic American Muscle**

#34251 Add ladies classing to all CAM.

Thank you for your letter. Please see the response to letter #34260 in this Fastrack.

#### **Tech Bulletins**

### **Street Category**

#34117 2023 BMW M2

Per the SAC, make the following addition to Appendix A:

**B** Street

**BMW** 

M2 (2023)

PLEASE NOTE: At this time, per Solo Rules section 3.1, it is too late to class this vehicle for National events in 2023. The SAC suggests that the car be run in BS for Regional competition for the remainder of 2023.

#34335 Classification for 2023 Corvette Z06

Per the SAC, make the following addition to Appendix A:

Super Street

Chevrolet

C8 Z06 (2023)

PLEASE NOTE: At this time, per Solo Rules section 3.1, it is too late to class this vehicle for National events in 2023. The SAC suggests that the car be run in SS for Regional competition for the remainder of 2023.

#34443 GR Corolla improperly classed in DS

In accordance with section 3.2 in the Solo Rules, the SAC recommends and the SEB has approved the following change to Appendix A:

Move from D-Street to B-Street:

Toyota

GR Corolla (excl. MORIZO Edition) (2022+)

PLEASE NOTE: The SAC originally classed this car in D-Street, however - with new information has come to light on the amount of camber that car is able to attain, this resulted in performance that potentially exceeds the performance envelope of D-Street. Additionally, the continued limited availability of the car adds to the decision to change the classing to B-Street. The SAC & SEB will continue to closely monitor the performance of this car.

# **Street Touring Category**

#34288 CLA45AMG / GLA45 AMG to SST or STU

The STAC is recommending the following change to Appendix A:

SST

Mercedes-Benz

CLA 45 AMG

GLA 45 AMG

Note: per Solo Rules section 3.1, these models are not eligible for National events in 2023.

# **Street Prepared Category**

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#34174 2023 Miata in CSP
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Per the SPAC please update the following listing in Appendix A as shown below:

**CSP** 

Mazda

MX-5 Miata (ND chassis, all) (2016-22-23)

#34273 GR Corolla Classing in SP

Per the SPAC, add the following listing to Appendix A:

DSP

Toyota

GR Corolla (2023) \*Limited Prep\*

# **Electric Vehicle Category**

#34275 advance EVX vehicle eligibility to include 2023

Per the SEB, Appendix B listing updates are provided for vehicles in class EVX.

Model year range updates and listing corrections are as shown below:

Audi

e-tron (incl. Sportback) (2019-23)

A3 Sportback e-tron (2017-23)

Chevrolet

Bolt (2017-23)

Ford

Mustang Mach E (2021-23)

Hyundai

IONIQ 5 EV (2020-23)

Kona EV (2020-23)

Jaguar

I-PACE (2019-23)

Kia

Niro EV (2020-23)

Mini

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SE Hardtop (2020-23)
Nissan
 Leaf (2011-23)
Polestar
 2 (2021-23)
Porsche
 Taycan (2020-23)
Tesla
 Model S (2012-23)
 Model 3 (all incl. Performance) (2018-23)
 Model X (2016-23)
 Model Y (2020-23)
Volkswagen
 ID.4 (2021-23)
Volvo
 XC40 Recharge (2021-23)
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Note: Due to the rapid development of EV models by manufacturers, the SEB encourages members to write in with suggestions on additional Electric Vehicles that would be appropriate for EVX,

# **Modified Category**

#33559 add Ultima GTR

Per recommendation of the MAC, the following addition is approved by the SEB for the kit car eligibility list of 18.1.A.1. Please note that this car will <u>not</u> be eligible for the 2023 Tire Rack Solo National Championships per the provisions of 3.1.

"The list of currently approved models is as follows:

- Exomotive Exocet
- Factory Five Racing 818 (S & R)
- Sylvia Sports Cars J15
- DF Goblin
- Ultima GTR"



#33885 New car addition.

Per recommendation of the MAC, the following addition is approved by the SEB for the kit car eligibility list of 18.1.A.1. Please note that this car will <u>not</u> be eligible for the 2023 Tire Rack Solo National Championships per the provisions of 3.1.

"The list of currently approved models is as follows:

- Exomotive Exocet
- Factory Five Racing 818 (S & R)
- Sylvia Sports Cars J15
- DF Goblin
- Superlight SL-C"