

BULLETIN 2019-05



Subject: Rule Changes

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Rationale for change to Vehicle eligibility:

1. Not really clear or necessary to say “recognized by Transport Canada”. It is the competitor’s responsibility to make sure that his vehicle is street licensable, which could include an Alberta exemption, BC TOP or temporary import permit for example. We are clear that it should be based on a closed body passenger car or light truck.
2. We are clear that tube or Box Frame is forbidden.
3. This would remove confusion for FIA cars competing or being allowed to compete under 12.5.1.1 since there will be no mention of Transport Canada documentation.

12.4 General Regulations

12.4.8 Vehicle Eligibility

~~The vehicle must be based on a vehicle model that is recognized by Transport Canada as a Passenger Car or Light Truck.~~ All vehicles must be based on a production passenger car or light truck. Eligibility is restricted to vehicles based on street-licensable, closed body passenger car or light trucks. Non-production-based vehicles that are of tube or box frame construction are expressly forbidden.

Rationale for change to FIA vehicles:

1. ARA rules accept RC2 FIA cars that follow homologated spec, proposal would bring CARS and ARA into alignment on RC2 FIA cars.
2. This makes it easier to take car to events on both sides of the border.
3. Would encourage more FIA homologated cars to try the CRC.
4. Would not require FIA homologated car to deviate from its homologation spec.
5. Provides more options for competitors wanting newer competition vehicles.

12.5 Open 4WD

12.5.1 Definition.

Any AWD or 4WD vehicle which meets the requirements of 12.1 to 12.4, and 12.5.2 to 12.5.8. This includes vehicles of series or limited production, which are modified beyond what is permitted in Production 4WD. Innovation and modifications within the rules are encouraged, including modifying production based 2WD vehicles into 4WD rally vehicles.

12.5.1.1 FIA Vehicles

- (a) Vehicles that comply with their original FIA homologation requirements for Group A rally cars, excluding World Rally Cars (including World Rally Cars, S2000, (Examples include R4 & R5 classes) and AP4) are permitted to compete in open 4WD class and score points for the Canadian Rally Championship provided these FIA vehicles meet the homologation specifications for that particular vehicle's powertrain, suspension, steering, brakes, aerodynamic components and vehicle weight, and comply with:

- 12.1 to 12.4, 12.5.2, 12.5.4 to 12.5.7
- 12.5.3 & 12.5.8 Use the homologation specifications for the class of vehicle.
- ~~The lesser of 12.5.3.1 or the homologated restrictor size,~~
- ~~The lesser of 12.5.3.2 or the homologated boost pressure limit,~~
- ~~12.5.6~~
- ~~12.5.8~~

~~These FIA vehicles will be required to have their homologation papers available at tech inspection.~~

- (b) World Rally Cars are permitted to compete in open 4WD class and score points for the Canadian Rally Championship provided these FIA vehicles meet the homologation specifications for that particular vehicle's powertrain, suspension, steering, brakes, aerodynamic components and vehicle weight, and comply with:

- 12.1 to 12.4, 12.5.2, 12.5.4 to 12.5.7
- The lesser of 12.5.3.1 or the homologated restrictor size,
- The lesser of 12.5.3.2 or the homologated boost pressure limit,
- The greater of 12.5.8 or the homologated weight

- (c) Modified FIA vehicles that do not comply with the FIA regulations for their powertrain, suspension, steering, brakes, aerodynamic components and vehicle weight, but do comply with CARS O4WD class rules, will be eligible to compete and score points in Canadian Rally Championship events.

- (d) FIA Vehicles that comply with the FIA regulations for their class, but do not comply with CARS Open 4WD class rules as per 12.5.1.1 (a) or (b), will be eligible to compete in Canadian Rally Championship ~~CARS~~ events. Competitors using these vehicles are not eligible to score points, receive contingency payouts or podium in the Canadian Rally Championship, ~~but will be eligible for applicable contingency payouts and podiums.~~

Any FIA vehicles will be required to have their homologation papers available at tech inspection.

12.6 Open 2WD

12.6.1 Definition.

Any 2WD vehicle which meets the requirements of 12.1 to 12.4 and 12.6.2 to 12.6.6. This includes vehicles of series or limited production, which are modified beyond what is permitted in Production 2WD. Innovation and modifications within the rules are encouraged.

12.6.1.1 FIA Vehicles

- a) Vehicles that comply with their FIA homologation requirements for 2WD Group A rally cars in an FIA 2WD class are permitted to compete and score points for the Canadian Rally Championship provided these FIA vehicles meet the homologation specification for that particular vehicle's powertrain, suspension, steering, brakes, aerodynamic components and vehicle weight, and comply with:
- 12.1 to 12.4 and 12.6.4 to 12.6.6
 - 12.6.2 & 12.6.3 Use homologation specifications for the class of vehicle.
- b) Modified FIA vehicles that do not comply with the FIA regulations for their class's powertrain, suspension, steering, brakes, aerodynamic components and vehicle weight, but do comply with CARS Open 2WD class rules, will be eligible to compete and score points in Canadian Rally Championship events.
- c) FIA Vehicles that comply with the FIA regulations for their class, but do not comply with CARS Open 2WD class rules as per 12.6.1.1 (a), will be eligible to compete in Canadian Rally Championship events. Competitors using these vehicles are not eligible to score points, receive contingency payouts or podium in the Canadian Rally Championship.

Any FIA vehicles will be required to have their homologation papers available at tech inspection.