



**Concours  
Rules  
2009**

# General

## I PURPOSE

The intent of these rules is to promote fairness and equal competition in the spirit of sportsmanship.

These rules are applicable to all events declared to be Zone 8 events through mutual agreement amongst the regional and zone officials. While not required, regions are encouraged to use these rules for their regional events as well. If a region chooses to develop their own rules for events that are not in the Zone 8 series, they must at a minimum follow insurance requirements and meet PCA National event guidelines.

The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of these events and to further participant and spectator safety.

**No express or implied warranty of safety or fitness for a particular purpose shall result from publication of, or compliance with, these rules and/or regulations. They are intended as a guide for the conduct for the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to participants, spectators or others.**

## II GUIDING PRINCIPLES

The following is paraphrased from the Introduction to the Porsche Club of America Parade Competition Rules as published within the Club's website at [www.pca.org](http://www.pca.org):

"The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of competitive events and to further participant and spectator safety. No express or implied warranty of safety or fitness for a particular use shall result from publication of, or compliance with these rules and/or regulations. Fairness to and among competitors is a goal of the PCRs. They are a guide for the conduct of the sport."

As such, the Zone 8 rules contained in this publication are with the same intent. That is:

- To provide a structure for participation in club events at the Zone level that allows club members reasonable expectations of policies, procedures and allowances within each of the competitive disciplines.
- To assist the regions with risk management.
- To reinforce the spirit of competition as a shared passion for the Porsche automotive marque in a variety of diverse disciplines.

As also defined in the rules, there are a number of circumstances where common sense and recognition of immediate circumstances dictate allowance of operational discretion to the event managers without altering the intent of these rules.

The Zone 8 Rules committee espouses the following:

- Fairness to entrants

- Encourage the regions to put on events
- Encourage attendance at ALL events
- Make the rules clear and very hard to misinterpret
- Keep the rules stable
- Keep the events fun

If the rules were able to be reduced to their base elements, the Competition Rules Committee might simply choose: “Be safe, have fun, play fair!”

### **III TERMS**

- A. Zone Representative – The Zone Representative is a Porsche Club of America (PCA) national staff member, appointed by the Executive Council. The Zone Representative’s role is that of management consultant for the regions and liaison between the regions and national.
- B. Zone Staff – The Zone 8 Representative shall establish committee chairpersons as necessary to assist in the administration of zone activities and to further zone objectives.
- C. Protest Committee – This committee shall consist of the Regional Event Chairperson, the Zone Event Chairperson and the Zone 8 Representative. If any of these positions are duplicated or unavailable, the members present may select any region president, board officer, or other Zone 8 Staff member without a conflict of interest to stand in.
- D. Competition Committee – The Zone 8 Representative shall establish a Competition Committee to provide general guidance to regions hosting zone events. This committee is typically made up of members of the Zone 8 Staff.
- E. Rules Committee – The Zone 8 Representative shall establish a Rules Committee to oversee the process to modify, adapt and improve the rules set forth herein. This committee is typically made up of members of the Zone 8 Staff.
- F. Porsche – A Porsche is defined as an automobile body and suspension which is, basically, as manufactured by or designated as a Porsche automobile by Porsche AG or its successor, which is powered by an engine which is basically one which was installed in such bodies by the manufacturer of such automobiles, although not necessarily in the body concerned, except that any Porsche engine may be installed in any Porsche –built automobile. Ruf AG-built automobiles are considered Porsches for event purposes.

### **IV RULE REVISIONS**

- A. Suggestions for improving these rules are encouraged. These rules undergo a process of continuous improvement. The rule revision process is customer driven, that is, the membership drives any revision to the rules.

The people that have to live within the rules have a voice in their creation and modification.

- B. Each year there will be a rules proposal period during which suggestions for rules changes should be sent to the Zone 8 Rules Coordinator. Suggestions received during this time period will be placed on the Zone 8 website for review and comment so that all members of the Zone can be a part of the rules making process. After the rules proposal period there will be a comment period where further comments can be made, which will also be posted.

After the close of the comment period, the Zone 8 Rules Committee will create a draft rule change proposal based on the submissions and comments received and any additional input the members of the committee may have. This draft proposal will be placed on the web site for further public review. Using this proposal and any comments it generates, the committee will generate the official rule change proposal.

At least 30 days prior to the Fall Presidents meeting the final rules proposal will be distributed to the region presidents and posted on the Zone 8 website. Presidents will then vote to approve or reject the proposals at the Fall Presidents meeting. All members of Zone 8 are encouraged to contact their Region President and express their thoughts on the proposals prior to this vote. Rule changes will go into effect on the following January 1, unless otherwise stated. Dates for the opening and closing of the proposal and comment periods shall be announced early each year and placed on the Zone 8 website.

- C. Editorial changes for the purposes of administration, organization, updating facts and details, clarification and/or correction of errors are not considered changes in the rules. The Rules Committee reserves the right to make changes of this nature at any time.

## **V COMMON**

- A. Regions are highly encouraged to pay particular attention to new members and first time attendees at their events. The first event a member attends often sets the tone for their overall experience with the club. By paying careful attention to providing them with a friendly welcome and assisting them in navigating these rules as well as event procedures, a region can go a long way towards encouraging their future participation and longstanding club membership. Regions are also cautioned to not be too critical, to show some understanding and flexibility when a new attendee makes mistakes or misunderstands the rules and procedures. Harsh judgments and condemnation can send a participant home with a vow to “never return.” One must be careful to not treat them more strictly than a club regular. Unfair double standards are noticed and disliked.
- B. No deviation in these rules will be allowed for any event in the Zone 8 series unless previously approved and published by the Rules Committee.

Such publication shall be in hard copy or by electronic mailing (or both) to the region presidents.

- C. To cover the cost of year-end series trophies, a \$6.00 fee will be charged to the host region for each entrant.
- D. Event officials may deny entrance or expel an entrant for any reason. Their decision is final. Any member who feels they are treated unfairly should bring the matter to the attention of the host region's Board of Directors and the Zone Representative.
- E. The region event organizers for Zone events are responsible for all event details. Zone 8 Staff members are available for consultation prior to the event. Zone 8 Staff members attending the event may be able to assist as needed.
- F. Results must be mailed no later than 48 hours after the end of the event to: Zone 8 Representative, Zone 8 Web master, Zone 8 Event Chairperson. Results must include full names and region affiliations for all entrants. Additionally, for concours the list of judges working the event must be submitted and for rally the list of workers must be submitted.
- G. Event results and the series standings shall be mailed to entrants who provide a self addressed and stamped envelope at each event. Results can also be seen on the Zone 8 web site.
- H. The Zone 8 Representative and the Zone 8 Event Chairperson must approve any new events or date changes, prior to being added to the Zone 8 calendar. Also new event information must be given to the following as soon as possible:
  - All Zone 8 Presidents
  - All Zone 8 Newsletter Editors
  - All Zone 8 Region Web masters
  - The Zone 8 Webmaster.
- I. Local event chairpersons should be familiar with the following documents provided by PCA national:
  - Region Procedures Manual
  - Event Guidelines – Rally
  - Event Guidelines – Autocross
  - Event Guidelines – Drivers Education
  - Event Guidelines – Appendix
  - DE – Tips for Event Organizers

Particular attention should be paid to the sections on the Junior Participation Program (JPP), Insurance (including procedures regarding event cancellation), Observer's reports and Incident Reports. These documents are available on <http://www.pca.org>.

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## **I INTRODUCTION**

Concours d' Elegance is a French term denoting a gathering together of automobiles in competition or judging of their respective merits in terms of coach work design, finish and appointments. In the PCA, we are concerned with only one marque, Porsche. Porsche is defined as an automobile manufactured by Porsche AG, and powered by an engine manufactured by Porsche, except as noted in Section III, Part E. Members use their cars in many different ways and for many specific purposes. Therefore, the purpose of this Zone 8 Concours Series is to select the best prepared and maintained Porsche.

Any person is eligible to be an entrant at a PCA Zone 8 Concours event. Only PCA members, family members, or affiliate members and their entry shall be eligible for the year-end PCA Zone 8 Championship Awards.

- A. For in-state shows, all Street, Unrestored Stock, Wash and Shine and Special Categories division entries **MUST** be driven from home port/permanent residence. Competition entries are excepted from this requirement (see Section III Part E).
- B. Street, Unrestored Stock, Wash and Shine and Special Categories division cars may be trailered to out-of-state shows.
- C. Full Concours division cars may be trailered to all events.
- D. Each car must proceed to its display location under its own power, without assistance of any kind (see Section IV Part G). Current Competition entries may be exempt due to noise restriction requirements (see Section III Part E). Each car must be in its assigned display position at the time judging begins.
- E. "For Sale" signs are prohibited.
- F. No commercial displays are allowed unless authorized by the Event Chairperson.
- G. All vehicle alarm systems must be turned off prior to entering the Concours site and must remain off throughout the Concours.
- H. Regions are encouraged to have a "display only" category at their events that is not judged. It is suggested that entry fees for this category be less than for the judged cars.

## **II DIVISIONS**

Concours shall have the following divisions:

- Full Concours
- Street
- Unrestored Stock
- Wash & Shine
- Special Categories

With the exception of Unrestored Stock and Special Categories, the divisions are distinguished by what areas of the car shall be judged. The additional criteria for

those two divisions shall be covered in Section III Car Classification, Parts C & E.

Judging shall be in the following areas for each division:

	Full	Street	Unrestored	Special	W&S
EXTERIOR	X	X	X	X	X
INTERIOR	X	X	X	X	X
ENGINE COMPARTMENT	X	X	X	X	
STORAGE COMPARTMENT	X	X	X	X	
CHASSIS HALF (without engine)	X				
CHASSIS HALF (with engine)	X				

Judging shall be based on preparation and maintenance, not on originality or deviations from stock. Personalization or modification of the vehicle is not penalized if it is done in a competent and professional manner.

The purpose of the Wash and Shine division is to help and assist new participants in preparing their Porsches for Zone 8 Concours competition. Any entrant may enter the Wash and Shine division. Written and verbal comments from the judges will be encouraged.

### III CAR CLASSIFICATION

Except as allowed in Section III Part E all entries must have the same basic Porsche engine configuration as originally equipped.

#### A. FULL CONCOURS DIVISION

- C-1 All Closed 356
- C-2 All Open 356
- C-3 911-912 (1965-1973)
- C-4 911-911 Turbo, 930, 912E (1974-1983)
- C-5 911-Carrera & Turbo (1984-1989)
- C-6 911-Carrera & Turbo (964, 993)
- C-7 911-Carrera & Turbo, GT2, GT3 (996, 997)
- C-8 Boxster, Cayman
- C-9 914-4, 914-6
- C-10 All 924, 928, 944, 968
- C-11 Cayenne, Panamera

#### B. STREET DIVISION

- S-1 All Closed 356
- S-2 All Open 356
- S-3 911-912 (1965-1973)
- S-4 911-911 Turbo, 930, 912E (1974-1983)
- S-5 911-Carrera & Turbo (1984-1989)
- S-6 911-Carrera & Turbo (964, 993)
- S-7 911-Carrera & Turbo, GT2, GT3 (996, 997)
- S-8 Boxster, Cayman

- S-9 914-4, 914-6
- S-10 All 924, 928, 944, 968
- S-11 Cayenne, Panamera

#### C. UNRESTORED STOCK DIVISION

- UR-1 All 356
- UR-2 Future use
- UR-3 911-912 (1965-1973)
- UR-4 911-911 Turbo, 930, 912E (1974-1983)
- UR-5 911-Carrera & Turbo (1984 -1989)
- UR-6 911-Carrera & Turbo (964, 993)
- UR-7 911-Carrera & Turbo (996,1999 – Y-10)
- UR-8 Boxster (1997-Y-10)
- UR-9 914/914-6
- UR-10 All 924, 928, 944, 968
- UR-11 Future use

Unrestored Stock entries are Porsches, a minimum 10 model years old, (current model year minus 10 years, Y-10), with a minimum of 75% Porsche Factory applied paint and 75% Porsche Factory installed interior, with both interior and exterior dating from the time of the original manufacture and installed or applied at the time of the original manufacture at the factory.

#### D. WASH & SHINE DIVISION

- W&S-1 All 356
- W&S-2 911-912 (1965-1973)  
911-911 Turbo, 930, 912E (1974-1983)  
914-4, 914-6
- W&S-3 911-Carrera & Turbo (1984-1989)  
911-Carrera & Turbo, (1989-1998: 964, 993)
- W&S-4 All 924, 928, 944, 968
- W&S-5 All Boxster, Cayman, 996, 997, GT2, GT3, Cayenne, Panamera

#### E. SPECIAL CATEGORIES DIVISION

- SC-1 Special Interest
- SC-2 Current Competition
- SC-3 Limited Production

The Special Categories division is intended to accommodate cars which, either because of their unique nature or their use, might be placed at a competitive disadvantage if entered in the other divisions. A car is eligible for entry in this division only if it satisfies the criteria for one of the following classes:

1. Special Interest. This class includes cars which have been so extensively modified from the original stock configuration that they may not be able to compete on an even footing with the cars in the class in which they would otherwise be included. Any car made by Porsche which, because of extensive modifications, no longer satisfies the definition of a Porsche given in Section I of these Concours

competition rules is eligible for this class, and cars in this class may have any type of engine installed, including non-Porsche engines. Cosmetic body modifications, installation of roll cages, routine engine modifications such as substitutions between carburetors and fuel injection systems, displacement increases and other internal engine modifications shall not, by themselves, qualify a car for this class.

2. **Current Competition.** This class includes cars that have, within the last 12 months, been driven actively in track competition such as time trials, DEs or club racing events. Acceptable competition is not restricted to PCA events and may include events sanctioned by other organizations such as but not limited to the International Motor Sports Association or the Sports Car Club of America. Autocross is not considered to be track competition. The entrant must be able to provide documentation of entry into such competitive events within the last year upon request.
3. **Limited Production.** This class includes Porsches made in limited quantities that differ substantially from normal production cars. Examples include the 550 in its various guises along with its descendants, any of the 900 series of competition cars such as the 904, 906, 917 and 934, other racing cars such as Formula and Indy cars, as well as cars such as the 959 and Carrera GT. In general, cars based on production street vehicles are not eligible for this class, so that special editions of production 911s such as anniversary editions and the 997 Club Coupe and special versions of production cars such as the 1952 America Roadster, the 911R, the 1973 Carrera RS and the RS America must be entered in the classes containing other similar production cars.

Any person entering a car in one of these classes must be prepared to explain in detail how the car satisfies the requirements of the class. In the event of any question over whether a particular car qualifies for one of these classes, the Zone 8 Concours Chairperson will make the final determination about its eligibility. Any car not classified by the start of judging will be disqualified from that event.

F. There shall be no combining of classes.

G. Each entrant is responsible for correctly classifying his/her own car. All cars are subject to further scrutiny and reclassification at the discretion of the Zone 8 Rules Committee or the Event Chairperson at any time during an event. If a car is found to be misclassified after judging begins the event may be scored as if the car did not compete.

#### **IV JUDGING:**

A. The entrant shall fill out the top portion of the Entry Form completely, as well as his/her name and class on each Score sheet. He/she shall not write below the line on the Master Score Sheet. The Entry Form and Score Sheets should be placed on the driver's side of the windshield.

- B. Typically the entrant prepares the car prior to arriving at the Concours site. Any final preparation may be made at the Concours site prior to the start of judging.

Once judging begins, only exterior light dusting with a duster or suitable dusting cloth will be permitted. Use of toothbrushes, Q-tips, or any other cleaning device or products could result in a penalty of 10 points, assessed by the Event Chairperson.

Entries must be displayed with all exterior parts uncovered. (Example, bras, mirror covers, dust covers, etc.) Windows (glass or plastic) shall be up and/or installed. All tops must be up and in place and installed. Sunroofs shall be closed. A car with a convertible or other removable or retractable top that is not fully up either by malfunction, owners choice or any other reason will be given a 5 point deduction. Similarly, a 5 point deduction will be given if exterior parts are not uncovered or windows are not up at the time a car is judged.

- C. Contestants will be notified, by general announcement, at least 5 minutes prior to the start of official event judging by the event head judge or Event Chairperson or their designee.
- D. An entrant or representative must accompany the car during the time of judging. The car will not be judged if the entrant or representative is not present.
- E. Judging time shall be five (5) minutes per entry, unless otherwise announced by the event chairperson prior to the start of judging. There are no time limits for judging in the Wash & Shine division.
- F. A total of five minutes will be allowed for each section judged. The one-minute walk-around will be counted in the total time for the exterior judge. When one minute remaining for judging is called, the exterior judge stops judging and the remainder of the judges continue until time is called.

For example, the Exterior judge walk-a-round will be one (1) minute. All compartments (doors, trunk etc.) will be opened off the clock. Judging begins for five (5) minutes. The exterior judge completes judging when one (1) minute remaining is called. All components of the car will be judged for a total of five (5) minutes.

- G. An entry may be required to demonstrate its ability to start, or have any part checked for proper operation and maintenance (Example: horn, lighting, brakes, etc.). Oil caps, battery caps, brake fluid caps, spark plug connectors, etc., will not be removed from their normally affixed position.
- H. Boxsters and Caymans must have the engine panel removed for engine judging, except in Wash & Shine. Failure to do so will result in zero (0) points for the Engine area. The engine compartment on these cars will be judged for 5 min following completion of regular judging.

Note: Entrants must have access to the necessary tools to remove the engine panel.

- I. A judging team will remain intact to judge all assigned cars. All entrants in each class must be judged by a single team; classes may not be divided between different teams..
- J. No participant can judge in a class or division at an event if he or she is showing a car in that class or division. Additionally, they will be ineligible for year-end awards in that class or division.
- K. Divisions containing over 12 cars may be divided into two groups. If this occurs, judging Best of Division will be performed by a new judging team comprised of an equal number of judges from the original two teams. The new team will re-judge the car with the highest score from each group. Judges on the newly formed team must judge an area different from the area previously judged.
- L. The Zone has established four levels of judges as follows:
  - Judge
  - Zone 8 Judge
  - Senior Judge
  - Master Judge

All judges will be classified using a point system based on service at Zone 8 events. Points are awarded according to the following schedule:

Completing a Zone 8 Concours school	100 points
Judging at a Zone 8 Concours	100 points

Point levels for each classification are as follows:

Judge	Less than 500 points
Zone 8 Judge	500 points, including at least 1 Judging School
Senior Judge	1000 points, including at least 2 Judging Schools
Master Judge	1500 points, including at least 3 Judging Schools

For judges with a Zone 8 or higher classification to maintain their respective titles, they must judge at least one event each year and show a car in a judged class at least once every two years. For Master Judges to maintain their classification they must complete at least one Zone 8 Judges School every two years or they shall be reclassified as a Senior Judge.

To participate in the role of head judge on a judging team at a Zone 8 Concours a judge must have a “Zone 8 Judge” or higher classification.

Judges and workers must sign the “Service” form at each event to acquire service points. The Concours Chairperson will archive the forms to be used to determine year-end awards and judge classifications.

At each year-end awards banquet, each qualified judge at the Zone 8 Judge or higher level will be recognized and awarded a nametag signifying the achievement.

## V SCORING:

- A. Individual score sheets will be returned to the entrant immediately following the presentation of awards at each show within the series.
- B. Written protests shall be filed with the Event Chairperson within 15 minutes of the end of the awards presentation. For this reason, each entry is to remain in place for at least 15 minutes following the awards presentation. A protest can be filed only if a Zone 8 Concours Rule has been violated. The written protest must reference that rule.
- C. Each Concours will include "Best of Show" award for Full Concours, Street, Unrestored Stock, Wash and Shine and Special Categories Division Overall Winners. The score will be based solely on the total points awarded. These point totals will be maintained for Class and Overall Year-End Awards.
- D. In the event of a tie, the tie will be broken as follows:
  - 1. Compare the scores in the judging areas as described in Section III, the car having the highest score in the most areas will be the winner.
  - 2. If a tie still exists, (i.e., each car had the highest score in the same number of judging areas), then compare the score in each of the judging areas, beginning with EXTERIOR and proceeding to each judged area in the order as described in Section III. The car with the best score in EXTERIOR will be the winner. If there is a tie in this area, then proceed to compare scores in each area in order until the tie is broken.
  - 3. If a tie still exists, go back to each judged area and compare the scores in each "sub-area" (i.e., EXTERIOR, Coachwork) in each of the areas in the same order until the tie is broken.

## VI AWARDS:

- A. Every Concours event will present awards in every class that has at least one entrant.

Awards are based on the following:

Number of entrants	Number of awards
1	1
2 or more	Number of entrants divided by 2 (rounded down)

Participation awards are encouraged but are at the Event Chairperson's discretion.

- B. To be eligible for a year-end award, a participant must have earned at least 300 service points and have competed in at least 51% of the Zone 8 Concours events.

After meeting the above:

Class championships shall be awarded to the entrants who have amassed the highest total number of points in competition within their classes.

The Division Championship in each of the five Divisions, Full Concours, Unrestored Stock, Street, Wash and Shine and Special Categories, shall be awarded to the entrant who has the highest total calculated from their best four scores received during the year's competition.

- C. A car may compete in only one class/division for year-end awards in a given year.

An entry may change division one time during the season. Only the points appropriate to the new division will be transferred.

- D. Service points will be earned according to the following schedule:

Event chairperson	300 points
Assistant chairperson	100 points
Event judge	100 points
Volunteer	75 points

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