

2013 Rule Change Proposals for 2014 Implementation

The proposals presented here are open to review and comment. Please send your comments to Russell Shon at rules@zone8.org.

After this second review and comment period ends on October 31, 2013 the Z8 rules committee will make final submissions and recommendations to the Zone's regional presidents.

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General

General Proposal #1 – Replacing the Sam Wang Award with the Zone 8 Competition

Current Rule:

Section VI The Sam Wang Award

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Proposed Rule:

Section VI The Zone 8 Competition

The Zone 8 Competition consists of tracking the number of out-of-region events that a Zone 8 PCA member participates in. Only events from the 13 Zone 8 regions qualify and for any one person, only those events from the 12 regions outside of the member's home region. For members with multiple memberships and region affiliations, their home region will be defined as the region within which they reside. The location of the event isn't relevant, only the hosting region. Events that are co-hosted by multiple regions may not be counted for members of those regions.

Winners are determined by a simple count of events attended, with the highest number winning. Award depth will be determined by the number of competitors. The Zone Rep is responsible for determining the recipients and shall present awards at the annual Zone banquet. Contest tracking forms will be available on the Zone 8 web site. Event chairs are responsible for affirming that member did attend their event. Zone 8 Staff are excluded from eligibility for this award.

Rationale:

In January of 2013 it was decided to replace the Sam Wang Award with the Z8 Competition, but no definition was formally accepted.

General Proposal #2 – Add Event Liability Insurance Language

Current Rule:

- None -

Proposed Rule:

Section VII Event Liability Insurance

PCA carries event liability insurance with limits of \$10,000,000 per event. The event liability policy is intended to protect PCA and its chartered Regions, and their members, event officials, instructors, drivers, crews, sponsors, participants, as well as event site landowners/managers/lessors and event racing vehicle owners and sponsors, and event sponsors from bodily injury, property damage, personal injury or advertising claims arising out of a covered incident at a PCA moving car or non-moving car (meetings, picnics, Concours, etc.) event.

As for personal liability and exposure for directing PCA Region activities, PCA has procured the right kinds of insurance for the Club and ALL of its members, whether those members are serving as board members or officers (both National and Region) as instructors, or in any other capacity. We are all insured for liability arising out of Club functions. Of course, the Region must do its part to obtain the certificate of insurance for its moving car events and get the waivers properly executed to assure that coverage is in effect for a specific event. As to decisions that a board member, officer, chief driving instructor, or other official make that are not related to a specific event, coverage exists without having to fill anything out or get any waivers signed.

Rationale:

This wording is from the national Region Procedures Manual and is added here for purposes of clarification and education.

AX, TT & DE

Driving Events Proposal #1 – Tech Inspection Waiver

Current Rule:

Section XIV Tech Inspection

- A. All cars must pass technical inspection prior to participation. Passing the technical inspection means that the automobile has met minimum safety standards for participation in a PCA event. However, no technical inspection can uncover all possible defects inherent in the vehicle design or otherwise, and neither PCA nor the inspectors can predict unforeseen circumstances. Neither the Porsche Club of America nor the tech inspectors make any express or implied warranty of fitness for any purpose.

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- I. After passing Tech inspection, an event sticker will be placed on the upper left (driver side) corner of the windshield. A second event tech sticker will be placed on the left side of each helmet.

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- K. If a tech inspector finds a problem that would potentially disqualify a driver, their job is NOT DONE until they have exhausted all avenues and resources available to work with the driver to resolve the problem and get the driver into the event. This would include asking the Event Chair if a one- time waiver would be appropriate; asking the appropriate Zone Staff member (Autocross or Time Trial Chair) for advice and help, including a possible one event rule waiver; as well as trying to locate and install appropriate parts or equipment and other efforts. The goal is customer satisfaction, that is, to try and find a way to allow the club member to participate rather than send them home disappointed.

Proposed Rule:

Section XIV Tech Inspection

- A. All cars must pass technical inspection **or receive a waiver prior** to participation. Passing the technical inspection means that the automobile has met minimum safety standards for participation in a PCA event. However, no technical inspection can uncover all possible defects inherent in the vehicle design or otherwise, and neither PCA nor the inspectors can predict unforeseen circumstances. Neither the Porsche Club of America nor the tech inspectors make any express or implied warranty of fitness for any purpose.

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- K. Upon finding a problem that would potentially disqualify a driver, the tech inspector shall work with the driver to resolve the problem utilizing the avenues and resources available (including trying to locate and install appropriate parts or equipment) to get the driver into the event. This would include getting a one-time waiver from the Event Chair or the appropriate Zone Staff member (Autocross or Time Trial Chair) if they deem a waiver would be appropriate and would not compromise safety. The goal is to try and find a way for the club member to safely participate rather than send them home disappointed.***

Rationale:

Clarifying language for existing waiver process.

Concours

Concours Proposal #1 – Lowering Number of Events Required for Year-End Trophies

Current Rule:

Section VI AWARDS

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C. Participation awards are encouraged but are at the Event Chairperson's discretion. To be eligible for a year-end award, a participant must have earned at least 300 service points and have achieved one of the following in a single class:

1. Have competed in at least 51% of the Zone 8 Concours events.
2. Have competed in at least four Zone 8 Concours, including at least one out-of-state Zone 8 Concours.

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 six Divisions, Full Concours, Unrestored Stock, Street, Wash and Shine, Ubergang 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.

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C. Participation awards are encouraged but are at the Event Chairperson's discretion. To be eligible for a year-end award, a participant must have earned at least 300 service points and have achieved one of the following in a single class:

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2. Have competed in at least four Zone 8 Concours, including at least one out-of-state Zone 8 Concours.

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Rationale:

This will increase the number of participants available for year-end awards. Regions are currently paying the Zone a subsidy for Zone 8 events. But we have seen the number of members qualifying for the year end awards has decreased for the last few years consistently. With the cost of gasoline, hotels and other travel related expenses; members are less inclined to do events that require a further distance to travel or overnight stays. By reducing the percentage of events required for a YE trophy, members from regions that are the greatest distance North, South or East could qualify for a YE trophy by attending events closer to them, thus costing less in travel and events costs.

For Example, if there were 10 events on the calendar, members in GER could travel to events in CAI, GER, SBR and potentially qualify for a YE trophy. If there is competition in their class, then the contestants would have to determine how many more events they are willing to attend to compete for a YE trophy. If the percentage is higher at 35%, then the members would have one more event they would need to participate in to qualify.

Pros:

- Increased participation in Zone 8 events by members. This will have to be clearly communicated throughout the Zone for an increase in participation to happen.
- Increased attendance at Zone Banquet by people competing in Zone 8 events.
- Increased participation year to year as members see potential of getting a Zone 8 award

Cons: Cost of trophies for YE awards

Rally

Rally Proposal #1 – Lowering Number of Events Required for Year-End Trophies

Current Rule:

Section VII ADMINISTRATIVE

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2. In order to qualify for a year-end award, entrants must compete in at least 51% of the year's Zone 8 rally events in a single class. Writing or working does not substitute for competing in a rally to satisfy the 51% requirements, although the points do count towards a year-end award.

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For Example, if there were 10 events on the calendar, members in GER could travel to events in CAI, GER, SBR and potentially qualify for a YE trophy. If there is competition in their class, then the contestants would have to determine how many more events they are willing to attend to compete for a YE trophy. If the percentage is higher at 35%, then the members would have one more event they would need to participate in to qualify.

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