

## **MCA NATIONAL SHOW RULES 2025 SHOW SEASON**

1. Determination will be made at Classification Inspection at each show as to which class a car will be allowed to enter. The car owner should be consulted during the classification process to assist in determining the most appropriate class. Where class definitions overlap and a particular car could qualify for more than one class, the choice of the car owner should prevail in the class decision. Once a car has been entered in a class, that class cannot be changed for that show without the concurrence of the MCA Head Judge and the ANHJ of Classification.
2. Cars not running at Classification Inspection lose one (1) point mandatory. Thoroughbred class cars that start will receive one bonus point. There is no deduction for Thoroughbred cars that do not start.

At the owner's option, Conservator, Classic, Concept, Concours, Unrestored, Thoroughbred and Trailered modified cars may be classified one time per year at the first show in which the car is entered each year. The owner will receive a Pre-Classification Card verifying classification inspection for one (1) year. The Classification Head Judge, National Head Judge or the Assistant National Head Judge will complete the classification.

3. Occasional Driven cars that are trailered to show, will be judged under the same guidelines as driven cars.
4. All cars must have an acceptable fire extinguisher available at all times. However, the fire extinguisher does not have to be permanently mounted in the car. Acceptable fire extinguishers must have at a minimum a "B" or "C" rating and be visible to the classification judge and accessible to the owner, in the interior of the car.
5. Only Ford powered cars will be allowed to compete in MCA sanctioned shows.
6. Modified cars will not be judged for authenticity. They will be awarded points for areas that are modified. No modified points will be given for stock items or documented modifications by noted manufacturers of record prior to delivery to owner. The Ford Motor Company recognized manufacturers of record are ASC/Mclaren, Roush, Saleen and Shelby. These cars will be judged for quality of workmanship, condition and cleanliness. See rule # 9 for discussion on providing a "Standardized List of Modifications" that is found on the MCA website in the Judging rules area.
7. All cars will be judged according to current applicable judging rules for their class. Current model year cars are cars not more than two (2) years old and will be judged in the President's Choice only.

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8. Total points for scoring vary from class to class. For more details refer to the MCA National Scoring rules sheet on the website. Judges are not permitted under any circumstances to tally judging sheets. Judging sheets will be turned in immediately after judging is completed. All judging sheets must be turned in prior to leaving the show site for any reason.
9. Signs, displays, stanchions, etc. are not allowed on/in cars to be judged. Cars entered in Conservator or Thoroughbred classes or for display only are excluded and encouraged to provide displays. All Modified class entries must download the "Standardized List of Modifications" from the MCA website in the judging rules section. The participant will fill out, print and provide for the show's judges at least one completed copy of MCA's "Standardized List of Modifications" sheet listing all visible modifications to their car. Good taste must prevail for all displays.
10. Trailered Modified cars will be permitted visual displays of the owner's choice, along the lines of those permitted in Thoroughbred cars. Good taste shall prevail. Only cars entered in the Modified Trailered and Modified Driven including Undercarriage are permitted to have mirrors to display the underside of the car. Displays must be detailed in advance with the show application and must be pre-approved by the show committee.
11. Best show trophies are prohibited at all MCA sanctioned National and Grand National shows.
12. At all MCA sanctioned National and Grand National shows, the classes for judging will be described in the rulebook. A special interest class, popular choice/participant class, junior/student class or display class may be added as desired by the sponsoring club with the restriction that all cars must conform to show rule # 4 and #5. Specifically, those cars in these classes are restricted to Ford powered automobiles. The sponsoring club is responsible for all judging of classes added under this rule.
13. The National Head Judge or his/her designated representative will have the authority to combine or add classes, as he/she deems necessary.
14. All cars must remain in place during show hours. Officials of the host club shall have the sole authority to grant or deny permissions to start engines and/or move show vehicles during show hours after registration has ended, after consultation with the National Head Judge(s). Violation of this rule will be grounds for disqualification.

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15. Special devices for the handicapped will be overlooked. Any special item required by state law (inspection stickers) or club stickers, parking decals, etc. will be overlooked. (no school decals, etc.) The owner must show evidence of the required addition or modification to car.
16. All judged cars must have trunks/hatchbacks open, convertible tops up and windows closed. All hoods must be open except in the Daily Driven Class where hoods must be closed (on some heavily modified convertible cars the top may not be available. Determination will be made at classification of no top up will be acceptable without losing points)



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