

(1) if the chassis is of self-bearing type, it shall be maintained and may be strengthened, but not lightened or cut:

(2) if the chassis is not of self-bearing type, that is when the car has no chassis or only a partial or insufficiently bearing one, the body may be changed as a whole, but shall under its new shape compulsorily use the original attachment points on the series production elements of the suspension, propulsion and steering.

In all the cases mentioned above the resultant coachwork shall present the appearance of being fully finished both externally and internally.

If bumpers are fitted by the manufacturer to the original car as recognised bumpers shall always be fitted in the case of a modification or change of coachwork, except as provided in Art. 261 (18)

Shall also be classified in the same Group 3, Touring Cars equipped with their standard coachwork, but having been subject to changes or additions not authorised by Art. 261 and 263 above and whose limits are stated hereafter under Art. 274 (b).

### **265—Minimum production—Recognition**

In order to enjoy recognition in the "Grand Touring" category cars will have had to be produced at a minimum of one hundred identical units as far as mechanical parts and coachwork are concerned in 12 consecutive months.

The word "identical" has the same meaning as defined under Art. 257, par. 4. However, one same minimum series of 100 units may have two different carburettor equipments either in number or size.

Moreover, cars will have to conform to specifications of Art. 266-270 below.

### **266—Ground clearance**

When the vehicle is equipped with the wheels and tyres to be used in the competition and with fuel, oil and water reservoirs filled ready for the start of the competition and with the driver aboard it shall be able under its own power to pass over a template 80 × 80 cm. and 10 cm. high.

### **267—Lock**

The maximum lock shall be 6.75 m., which means that the car must be able to make a complete turn in any direction without the wheels going beyond two parallel lines 13.50 m. apart, drawn on the ground.

### **268—Starting**

Grand Touring cars shall have to be equipped with a starting device liable of being operated by the driver when aboard.

### **269—Fuel tanks**

Grand Touring cars shall have one of the fuel tanks provided by the manufacturer and the capacities of said tanks shall be entered on the recognition form.

However, the total capacity of the fuel tanks (main and auxiliaries, if such is the case) shall not exceed the maxima specified by Art.269.

### 270—Coachwork—Minimum width—Number of seats

Grand Touring series cars shall be equipped with a coachwork enabling a normal touring use, in particular as concerns comfort, habitability and protection against bad weather.

Coachwork shall be completely finished without any provisional part. It shall offer at least two seats located on either side of the longitudinal axis of the car at the same level without prejudicing the normal system of adapting the seat to the size of the pilot.

The minimum inside width shall be 100 cm. for cars with an engine cylinder capacity of 1000 cc. or less, and 110 cm. for cars of a higher capacity.

This width, measured perpendicularly to the longitudinal axis of the car must be respected along a minimum height of 25 cm. and a minimum depth of 30 cm. measured on the vertical plane tangent to the back of the steering wheel and the back of the seat (i.e. at the normal place where the driver needs elbow-room).

The passenger's space shall remain available through the whole event. It shall not be either totally or partly covered and shall offer the same conditions of comfort, habitability and protection as that of the driver. However, supplementary regulations may provide for the covering of the passenger's seat with canvas or any other similar supple material, which can be quickly removed by hand without any tool. Under no condition whatever may the seat be used for a spare wheel or be combined with the fuel tank(s). The latter shall be located outside the cabin so as to protect its occupant from fumes and direct fuel splashing.

Transmission equipment (shafts and cardan joints) shall be placed under the floor boards or in tubes or casings. Floor boards, tubes and casings shall be permanent fixtures, properly joined together and firmly fixed to the coachwork or the chassis.

As concerns the location of the seats in relation to the pedals it shall answer the minimum specifications of Art. 259 for Touring cars. The height under the roof or hood measured in the middle of the driver's seat from the lowest part of the cushion shall be 85 cm. minimum.

### Windshield—Windshield-wiper—Protected height

The windshield is compulsory. It shall be placed symmetrically in relation to the axis of the car and be equipped with at least one automatic wiper placed before the driver and wiping a sufficient surface to enable the driver to see distinctly the road from his seat.

For cars with open or convertible coachwork the windscreen shall have the following minimum dimensions:

Width (chord measurement):

90 cm. for cars with an engine capacity inferior or equal to 1000 cc.

100 cm. for cars with an engine capacity exceeding 1000 cc.

Height:

25 cm. measured vertically and carried through the whole minimum width.

Furthermore, the distance between the top edge of the windshield and the lower point of the front-seat cushions shall be 80 cm. minimum, measured vertically at all points of the minimum width.