



## Time Trials Supplementary Rules 2020

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# TEXAS REGION SCCA TIME TRIAL SUPPLEMENTARY RULES

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## 1. Governing Rules

- Except as modified herein, the 2018 SCCA Time Trial Level 2 Time Trial rules shall apply to all Texas Region Time Trial events.
- Any rule herein may be changed only by majority vote of the Time Trial Committee.
- These Supplementary Rules shall be available at each event for review by competitors, and shall be posted on the Texas Region SCCA Time Trial web page.

## 2. Time Trial Committee

- 2.1 The Time Trial Committee (TTC) shall consist of members who volunteer for committee positions as enumerated below. The Assistant Regional Executive (ARE) for Time Trial shall regulate committee appointments.
- 2.1.1 The Time Trial ARE shall have the ability to add and/or alter the positions described below as the need arises.
- 2.1.2 At the discretion of the Time Trial ARE, committee members may concurrently hold more than one position on the committee.
- 2.2 Committee Composition: The TTC may be comprised of the following positions.
  - 2.2.1 Assistant Regional Executive for Time Trial (also known as the Time Trial Chairman)
  - 2.2.2 Secretary
  - 2.2.3 Chief of Registration/Registrar
  - 2.2.4 Chief of Protest
  - 2.2.5 Chief of Waivers
  - 2.2.6 Chief of Timing & Scoring
  - 2.2.7 Chief of Tech
  - 2.2.8 Safety Steward
- 2.3 Removal from the TTC: Inasmuch as the TTC is a volunteer group appointed by the Time Trial Chairman, the Time Trial Chairman has the right, with majority approval of the Committee, to remove any TTC member who is not acting in the best interest of the Texas Region Time Trial program.

## 3. Regional Series Championship

- 3.1 The Regional Series shall consist of announced events, normally beginning in January and ending in December. The events will be held as schedules and track availability permits.
- 3.2 Series points: The total points from each competitor's events will count towards the series championship in each class.

- 3.2.1 A score of “DSQ” (disqualified; for failing to Participate/follow rules, as a result of protest, or for other reasons) will be assigned a zero point value and shall be counted as one of the scored events.
- 3.2.2 A score of “DNS” (did not start in any event session) will be assigned a zero point value.
- 3.2.3 To be eligible for the series championship, each entrant must compete in at least five events in the same class. A score of “DNS” may not be used to satisfy this requirement.
- 3.2.4 Points: points toward the series awards will be awarded for each class as follows:
  - 1st Place 9 points
  - 2nd Place 7 points
  - 3rd Place 6 points
  - 4th Place 5 points
  - 5th Place 4 points
  - 6th Place 3 points
  - 7th Place 2 points
  - 8th Place and lower 1 point
- 3.2.5 Qualifying for Year-End Trophy: A minimum of five sanctioned events or more than 50% of the events held in a calendar year, whichever is greater will be used for calculations. An event is defined as an individually sanctioned event with a unique sanction number for the event. This means that a 2 day event, may or may not have two separate unique sanctioning numbers. In addition, to qualify for a trophy, the driver is required to have total points equal to at least 50% of the class winner’s points total.
- 3.3 Ties: In case of a tie, the greater number of 1st place finishes from the competitors’ five best finishes shall decide, followed by greater number of 2nds, etc. If that fails to break the tie, the results of head-to-head competition in the three best events shall be used.
- 3.4 Event Drops: All drivers will have their two lowest scoring events dropped from the total season points calculation. This points dropping does not change the drivers minimum event qualification status detailed in 3.2.5
- 3.5 Disclaimer: The championship series rules detailed here will be adhered to as best as possible. However, unanticipated factors may necessitate single-season temporary changes to Trophy Qualifications (3.2.5) or Event Drops (3.4).

#### **4. Run sessions, Impound and Grid Order**

- 4.1 The Time Trial ARE, shall determine the number of heats and the run order for each event. Heat and run order designations shall be published as an addendum to the Supplementary Rules for each event, which shall be provided to each entrant prior to the event and shall include at minimum a list of designated event officials and event sanction numbers along with event-specific rules. The TT Chief Steward is reserved the right to make any changes up to and during the event as needed to ensure a fair and safe event.
- 4.2 Each competitor shall run with their class in the designated run group.
- 4.3 If necessary, all classes will be divided into heats, as deemed appropriate by the Time Trial Steward to balance the competition as evenly as possible.
- 4.4 TTC Member Allowance: TTC members may run out of turn provided it is a result of their duties and does not create a premeditated advantage. The intent of this allowance is to permit committee members to run in the heat that best fits the demands of their responsibilities. It is not intended to allow an individual to run within the heat with the best course conditions

unless doing so is a direct result of performing their job function. Example: if the T&S system experiences problems that take several heats to resolve, the Chief of Timing & Scoring could legitimately run in the last heat.

- 4.5 Following the final run session of the day for each assigned run group, all cars in those run groups or classes will present their vehicles for impound. This impound session will allow all competitors to inspect the competitor's cars from the day. At this point any protests to be lodged, must be brought to the attention of the impound chief within 15 minutes of impound closing for that run group. The TT Committee will review all protests and rule on their validity and assess any penalties within 72 hours of the last run group session

## **5. Vehicle Safety Inspection Requirements**

Each entrant, for every event, must complete and sign a Time Trial Tech Sheet (located in the SCCA Time Trial Rules <https://timetrials.scca.com/pages/tt-basics>) that shall be submitted during registration/check-in before receiving a vehicle tech sticker for the event. By entering an event each competitor acknowledges he/she is totally responsible for the proper operation and safety of their vehicle and disavows any responsibility for vehicle safety on the part of SCCA and/or Texas Region, however the SCCA event officials reserve the right to inspect and if deemed necessary disqualify any vehicle determined to present undue hazard during an event.

- 5.1 Any vehicle found to be depositing fluids such as oil, brake or transmission fluid or antifreeze on any portion of the event site at any time, may be disqualified from competition until effective repairs are completed.
- 5.3 Vehicles with an overall height equal to or greater than track width (such as those listed in the Solo Rules) are not eligible for competition in Texas Region Time Trial events.
- 5.4 In the event of any incident involving impact or loss of parts/pieces of a vehicle while on course during an event, the vehicle(s) involved must immediately report to the hot pit to be re-checked by the Chief of Tech, Safety Steward or Chief Steward prior to continuing competition. Failure to do so may result in disqualification from the event.
- 5.5 Helmets meeting the requirements of the SCCA Time Trial Rules are required and will be checked during check-in for compliance. Helmets determined to not meet current standards will be retained by the Chief of Safety for the duration of the event and will be returned after completion of competition. Helmets must comply with the following posted approved eligibility status -  
<https://www.scca.com/downloads/44726-2020-03-20-solo-helmet-cert-decals/download>
- 5.6 All vehicles must comply with the vehicle safety requirements for Safety Level 1 in the SCCA National Time Trials Rules –
  - It is highly recommended that all convertible vehicles be equipped with an aftermarket roll bar that meets or exceeds the standards defined in the SCCA Solo Rules, Appendix C,

however convertible vehicles may participate in Texas Region Time Trial and/or Track Experience events if the vehicle meets at least one of the following criteria and is not subject to any of the exceptions noted below:

- The vehicle is equipped with an aftermarket roll bar that meets or exceeds the standards set in the SCCA Solo Rules, Appendix C.
- The vehicle is equipped with documented factory installed roll over protection. Examples of manufacturer documented roll over protection would include hydro formed and reinforced A-pillars or windshield frames and factory installed roll bars and/or “pop-up” bars that are designated by the vehicle manufacturer as roll over protection.
- The vehicle is a 2006 model year or newer.

Exceptions: Vehicles manufactured as a 2006 model or later that fall into any of the below categories must meet the criteria stated above for factory or aftermarket roll over protection.

- Vehicles equipped with a factory V8 or a forced induction engine.
- Vehicles that have been meaningfully modified to exceed the factory performance potential (examples would include such modifications as engine swaps and aftermarket forced induction).

## **6. Personal Conduct**

- 6.1 At no time during the set-up and operation of an event shall any participant (including competitors, crew members, workers, guests, etc.) consume any intoxicating substance or illicit drug. The penalty for such action shall be the immediate suspension of the offender from all further Texas Region Time Trial events for the remainder of the year and loss of eligibility for series awards. Competitors shall be fully responsible for the actions of their guests or crew members in this regard.
- 6.2 All participants shall be responsible for maintaining the integrity and cleanliness of event sites and shall prevent the deposit of any trash or fluids (excluding water) anywhere at or on the event site. Failure to comply with this requirement will result in penalties which may include disqualification from the event and/or disqualification from further competition in Texas Region Time Trial events, at the discretion of the Time Trial Chairman. Competitors shall be fully responsible for the actions of their guests or crew members in this regard.
- 6.3 Pets at Events
  - 6.3.1 Bringing pets to Texas Region Time Trial events is strongly discouraged. Individuals who choose to bring a pet are responsible to see that it is leashed, supervised and under control at all times.
  - 6.3.2 Pets are not allowed in the grid or hot pit areas at any time.
  - 6.3.3 Pets may not be left tied and/or unattended.
  - 6.3.4 Pets are not permitted at events wherein the site does not allow pets. This supersedes all other pet rules.

6.4 Waivers and Credentials - A wristband will be issued to every individual present during a Texas Region Time Trial event, upon signature of the event waiver or presentation of a SCCA Annual Waiver Hard Card. The wristband will be worn on the wrist and will be visible at all times during the event, to allow event officials and site owners to confirm the SCCA insurance requirements have been satisfied.

## **7. Protest Fee**

The protest fee shall be \$0.00.

## **8. Car Classification**

- 8.1 Determination of the proper class/category of a vehicle is the responsibility of the entrant of that vehicle, however any vehicle which cannot be assigned to a specific class per the Texas Region Supplementary Time Trial Rules must be referred to the Chief Steward for review to ensure compliance with the Texas Region Supplementary Time Trial Rules prior to competition.
- 8.2 Car numbers and class letters **must** be on the bodywork of the vehicle, must be displayed on both sides of the vehicle, and must be easily readable by all corner workers, Timing & Scoring, etc. Cars identified as non-compliant during the course of an event may be disqualified from further competition until proper vehicle identification is provided, at the discretion of event officials.
- 8.3 Car numbers or class letters will not be allowed on any vehicle windows.
- 8.4 The Chief Steward or, in his absence, the Time Trial Chairman, will have the final authority in the event of any dispute regarding legibility and compliance with this requirement.

## **9. Drivers per Car**

For 2020 Cars may not be entered with more than one driver in one class without Event Chair approval.

## **10. Registration and Drivers Meeting**

- 10.1 Unless changed in an event supplemental and posted on the Texas Region Time Trial web site, registration will begin at 7:00 AM and close no earlier than 8:00 AM.
- 10.2 No entrant will be registered after 8:00 AM unless special arrangements are made with the Chief of Registration. A late registrant is responsible for (i) completing the check-in process including submission of a completed vehicle inspection form, and for (ii) ensuring that the Chief of Timing & Scoring is aware of the late registration.
- 10.3 All entrants must check in with Registration prior to the start of the drivers meeting.
- 10.4 On-line Pre-registration
  - 10.4.1 Event pre-registration will require payment. Event pre-registration must be completed by 6:00 AM the Monday prior to the event, or such alternate time as deemed appropriate by the Chief of Registration.
  - 10.4.2 Participants will be able to pre-register for the event by several different means:  
1) Online, at a web site designated by the Chief of Registration, with payment via PayPal

or other online payment method 2) Mail-in registration with registration form downloaded from the Time Trial web site, provided the payment reaches the Chief of Registration by the pre-registration deadline.

- 10.4.3 There will be no refunds after the event pre-registration deadline, unless specific exception is made by the Time Trial Chairman.
  
- 10.5 On-site Registration (walk-ups)
  - 10.5.1 Participants may register on-site the day of the event.
  - 10.5.2 The Chief Steward reserves the right to limit the number of walk-up entries.
  - 10.5.3 On-site registration will incur a \$5 surcharge in addition to the regular fees listed in in the event supplemental regulations.
  - 10.5.4 Per SCCA insurance requirements, all entrants must be SCCA members; weekend membership is required for non-members, at an additional cost of \$20 per weekend.
  - 10.5.5 On-site registration payment may be made by check or cash only; credit cards cannot be accepted on-site.
- 10.6 The Time Trial Chairman may impose a cap, or limit, on the number of entries for an event.
- 10.7 There will be a mandatory drivers meeting at approximately 7:00 AM. All drivers are REQUIRED to attend. Failure to attend may result in disqualification (DSQ) from the event, at the discretion of the Time Trial Chairman.

**11. Vehicle Classes**

- 11.1 Classes for Texas Region Time Trial events shall be as noted below and are based on the vehicle class definitions found in the 2020 SCCA Solo Rules, with the exception that open wheel vehicles are not allowed to participate in SCCA Time Trial events.
- 11.2 Scoring will be based on the SCCA Texas Region 2020 Car Classing. Each competitor’s single best lap time during an event is used as their standing time. As with all classes, lowest number wins.
- 11.3 The Texas Region Time Trials Classing will be assigned based upon the 2018 or 2020 SCCA Solo Rules Classing, whichever is most current:

Texas Region Time Trials Class -	Cross Reference for classing. Please refer to the SCCA Solo Rules for classing of your vehicle
Cam Class -	Autocross Classing
	CAM-C
	CAM-T
	CAM-S
Street Class 1 -	SSR
	SS
	AS



	BS
	FS
Street Class - 2	CS
	DS
	GS
Street Class -3	ES
	HS
	HCS & HCR
Street Modified Class -	SMF
	SM
	SSM
	XS-A & XS-B
Street Prepared Class - 1	
	SSP
	ESP
	ASP
	BSP
Street Prepared Class - 2	
	DSP
	CSP
	FSP
Street Touring Class 1-	
	STU
	STR (Except 1994-2015 Mazda Miata)
Street Touring Class 2-	
	STX
	STR 1994-2015 Mazda Miata
	STH
Street Touring Class 3 -	
	STS
Prepared Cars -	XP
	BP

	CP
	DP
	EP
	FP
Texas Region Ultimate Class	Please See Supplemental Rules Section 11.3 for Class Rules
Spec Coupe Class	
	SSC

11.3 Texas Region Ultimate Class – The Texas Region Ultimate Class is designed for cars that do not meet the requirements of the featured Regional series classes. Vehicles that meet other TRTT class categories will be allowed to run in the Texas Region Ultimate Class. In addition to all other noted series safety requirements, Texas Region Ultimate Class vehicles must have:

- a minimum overall weight of 2600 pounds or more
- DOT approved 40 UTQ tread wear or higher tires
- a roll bar/hoop or factory rollover protection
- an approved and properly mounted racing seat or Factory Seating
- five- or six-point harness
- fire suppression system (on-board Mounted Fire Extinguisher is allowed)
- any spoiler or wing configuration is allowable

## 12. Passengers

With the exception of an approved instructor, passengers will not be permitted to ride along with Time Trial entrants.

## 13. Fees for 2020 Texas Region Time Trial Events

Entry fees shall be determined by the TTC prior to the beginning of registration for the event, and shall be posted on the Time Trial web site as well as incorporated into all forms of event entry. Entry fees shall not be changed after registration for an event is opened.

## 14. Texas Region Special Procedures

(To be determined by the TTC at a later date)