

**TECHNICAL BULLETIN****5<sup>TH</sup> CATEGORY HISTORICS – TECHNICAL REGULATIONS  
AMENDMENT****REFERENCE:**

*CAMS Online Manual of Motor Sport, 5<sup>th</sup> Category Historic Cars, 3. Vehicle Eligibility– 3.1 General Requirements*

[http://www.camsmanual.com.au/pdf/08\\_historic/HI03\\_3.1\\_Gen\\_Requirements\\_Q109\\_r1.pdf](http://www.camsmanual.com.au/pdf/08_historic/HI03_3.1_Gen_Requirements_Q109_r1.pdf)

**RATIONALE:**

*To amend the wording to include provision for head restraint devices.*

**ACTION:**

*Amend 2009 CAMS Manual of Motor Sport, 5<sup>th</sup> Category Historic Cars, 3. Vehicle Eligibility– 3.1 General Requirements as follows:*

**3.1.6 Safety harnesses:** Safety harnesses in compliance with Schedule I (type A or B) (refer “General Requirements for Cars and Drivers”) are compulsory for all groups other than those vehicles exempted from the fitment of roll bars in Groups Ja, Ka and Lb. In cars where belts are not compulsory, competitors are free to use a belt of their choice, but it is strongly recommended that belt types as described in Schedule I are used.

**3.1.7 Head restraints: The use of a head restraint system is recommended where construction of the vehicle makes it practical to do so.**

**~~3.1.7~~ 3.1.8 Fuel:** Fuel as defined by CAMS must be used (refer Schedule G, “General Requirements for Cars and Drivers”). The use of fuel other than commercial fuel or leaded racing fuel is permitted only if it can be demonstrated that the subject vehicle used other types of fuel during the group period. Prior approval of the relevant Historic Eligibility Committee will be required for the use of such alternative fuels and will be noted in the subject vehicle logbook. It is mandatory that vehicles using alcohol fuels (where permitted) also carry a symbol in the form of the letter “A” in white on a red circle of approximately 115mm diameter with a white border. This symbol must be placed adjacent to the racing number on each side of the vehicle, and at the fuel filler cap.

5th Category vehicles may be subject to fuel testing as outlined in Schedule G but need not be equipped with specific systems to enable the drawing of fuel samples. Any sampling shall be undertaken with due regard to safety.

**~~3.1.8~~ 3.1.9 Terminology:** The term “style”, where used in relation to wheels, refers to Sankey, wire, cast steel centre etc. By “original” is meant a component, which is in all respects identically similar to that originally fitted, as produced by the manufacturer who produced the original component/s, and is indistinguishable from it in all respects. By “period” is meant the applicable group period of the vehicle in question.

**~~3.1.9~~ 3.1.10 Forced induction:** Vehicles in this category fitted with superchargers or turbochargers are not subject to a correcting factor as to displacement, unless applicable to the relevant group period.

**3.1.10 3.1.11 Competition numbers:** Competition numbers carried by 5th Category vehicles must comply with the requirements of Schedule K, article 2 (refer "General Requirements for Cars and Drivers" ) except as follows:

- Groups J, K, L, Sa and Na are exempted from the requirements as to background specified in Schedule K, article 2.3.
- All 5th Category vehicles which have a disc or rectangular background to the competition number may carry either black numbers on a white background or white numbers on a black background.
- Applications for exemption from the requirements as to background specified in Schedule K (refer "General Requirements for Cars and Drivers") and/or for the carriage of numbers differing in typestyle, size, colour or placement to the normal requirements may be made in individual cases where the specified vehicle competed in such a visual form during the relevant group period. Approvals to such applications will be evidenced by inclusion in the logbook and Certificate of Description of photographs showing the approved style of competition number on the car.

**3.1.11 3.1.12 Engine revolution speed limiters:** Electronic engine RPM limiters are permitted in all groups, but only limiters that are separate from and not part of a tachometer and that perform no other function.

**3.1.12 3.1.13 Acceptable components:** The 5th Category Equipment Charts, Article 3.6.7, list the components, SU carburettors and electronic equipment that are acceptable for vehicles in each historic group. Where a specific period specification varies from the listed component, then that vehicle's period specification will prevail.

**3.1.13 3.1.14 Fuel pump cutoff switches:** All vehicles fitted with electronic fuel injection systems must include an automatic cutoff that switches off power to the fuel pump after a maximum of six seconds' absence of crankshaft revolution.

**3.1.14 3.1.15 Electric fans:** Electric fans may be added, provided that no part of the fan assembly is visible from the outside of the vehicle.

**3.1.15 3.1.16 Aerodynamic components:** The use of an aerodynamic component which is mounted on an unsprung suspension component is prohibited.

**3.1.16 3.1.17 Aerodynamic components:** The use of an aerodynamic component which is adjustable while the automobile is in motion is prohibited.

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