

Targa Florio Road Race, Entry Scrutineer Report

The rules were intentionally fairly relaxed for the Road Race because of the Rally type tracks we will be using, however some of the classic cars did appear to be perhaps more “customised “ shall we say then “in period representative” regarding wheel sizes etc. So many thanks to the few who tried to keep the wheels & tyres in proportion.

And the other issue was wheels poking outside the body confines.....everyone has their pet hate I think, and that is mine. I know that it mostly relates to these Classic cars, but if I take my digital Caliper and measure across the axle wheel tyre outside width and then find that it is wider than the model body width in the same area I kind of get abit irritated. However it was a general issue for a few of the cars in this Event of varying degrees. So if I wanted to penalise one of them and not all of the offenders what level of non conformance would I use ? But most importantly if we do another Classic car proxy event, I would like to see a little more compliance please. And many thanks again to those who did refrain from pushing the boundary's, it is very much appreciated.

Also rear tyre width, I kind of accept that tyres swell abit and more often then not we get one tyre on one side wider than another, which always amuses me. But when I measure tyre width of 0.3mm wider than the spec (even when I apply a little pressure with the Calipers, I kind of get to thinking should I apply a penalty or not !! you can normally visually see the difference between a 10mm tyre which has expanded a bit and a 10.5 or 11mm wide tyre fitted even without measuring.

So I will only apply a points penalty (or one position loss) at the end of the series should a car have been “seen” to have gained an advantage whilst carrying a non conformity.

Anyway enough of my moans, in general most cars were made to spec, and I congratulate everyone for their efforts.

Good luck for the proxy.
Graham