

JUDGING FORM

Vintage Corvette Club Of America Concours Instruction

1. Judges should not judge their own cars.

2. It is recommended a team of 2 judges judge a specific section of all classes, example: 2 judges score separately all classes on GENERAL APPEARANCE, another 2 judges score separately all classes on BODY AND RUNNING GEAR therefore in the final analysis, a more fairer shake is given to the better entrants. In other words if a club lets certain teams of judges, judge Class A-B-C and another team judge D, E, and F, all cars are not judged on an equal basis because the team on A-B-C Class did not get to see an outstanding car in let's say D, E or F. In other words, if a team of 2 judges judge general appearance in all Classes A-B-C-D-E-F-G, that team sees all cars in the entire show and therefore should be able to judge more evenly throughout. The 2 judge team or 3 if you prefer will add their scores together and total, then divide by 2 and get an average total score. Let's say for example, in General appearance one judge has 18 and another has 15, so 18 plus 15 equals 33 divided by 2 equals 16.5 or 16 1/2 points in General Appearance on Car #1 in Class A.

SWEEPSTAKES car is high point car of the show.

3. Another example in a show with 20 entrants the top 5 cars should be rejudged for sweepstakes, let's say going over them with a finer tooth comb or white gloves. I've seen headlight switches pulled out and wiped with white towel for dirt, grease fittings wiped with cotton and the crank pulley wiped with a white towel for grease for final run off sweepstakes car.

4. One of the most important factors is waiver's MUST be signed by all entrants, judges and spectators and or all persons entering the roped off area where the concours is held. The waivers will relieve the Region and National Headquarters of any liability caused by some accident or injury - otherwise we will have to purchase expensive insurance to cover the Concours and ALL will have to pay for this.

5. The decisions of the judges will be final.

6. Regions should charge a reasonable entry fee per car \$3, \$4, or \$5 and more for non-members to help pay for the Class trophy's. The VCCA Headquarters here in Fresno will donate one sweepstake trophy per region per year for their annual meet.

7. A. Trunks will be open on pre-1963 Corvettes
B. Spare tire should be visible, this does not mean it has to be fully displayed but suggested a 6" prop be placed between the spare tire cover

board and the spare tire so it is visible to view a portion of the spare tire.

8. TIME AND PLACE should be publicized so owners can plan where to be at a given time - example, check-in-time 8:30 on the motel parking lot Saturday morning - 8:30 to 10:00 final cleaning and preparation. 10:00 judging starts etc.

TROPHIES

Trophies will be awarded by the Region putting on the concours on whatever basis they feel is fair for their Region. Example: 1 trophy per 3 cars in class, so if 9 cars entered you would award 3 trophies in that class. Or 1:2 ration or 1:4 ration, etc. Whatever the Region feels they can best afford. Also, ribbons could be used like 3 trophies deep in a class and a 4th, 5th, 6th, etc., place ribbon is very effective and appreciated by the entrants.

CLASSES

Class A
1953, 1954, 1955 Classic

Class B
1956-57

Class C
1958-62

Class D
1963-67 Fastback

Class E
1963-67 Roadster

Class F
1968-1972

Class G
1953-1971 Customized, Paint, interior and body modifications

1. GENERAL APPEARANCE

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| A. Paint (consider finish & color authenticity) | 3 |
| B. Under carriage (excessive dirt, grease) | 4 |
| C. Wheels (painted correct color) | 3 |
| D. Hubcaps (original) | 3 |
| E. Tires - must match including spare | 4 |
| F. All exterior chrome condition (Rust, dents, etc.) | 4 |

JUDGING INSTRUCTIONS

2. BODY AND RUNNING GEAR
- A. Body work (sign of uneven repair work, etc.) 4
 - B. Correct Body accessories & owner's manual 3
 - C. Steering Gear (place 0 if excessive wear.) 2
 - D. Top material and rubber parts 3
 - E. Side curtains – condition of chrome and plexiglass 3
 - F. Windshield glass and rubber place 0 if considered dangerous. 3

3. INTERIOR
- A. Correct dash board, steering wheel, & instruments & color 4
 - B. Combination Radio and clock & horn functioning 2
 - C. Top bows, color & condition 2
 - D. Upholstry, seats, color & original configuration. 3
 - E. Upholstry carpets, color & original pattern configuration. 3
 - F. Transmission, original 4

4. ENGINE COMPARTMENT
- A. Original factory engine, color blue 3
 - B. Ignition shielding, air cleaners, distributor & window washer bottle, accessories, original. 4
 - C. Overall engine compartment cleanliness (Grease, excessive dirt, etc.) 4

5. LUGGAGE COMPARTMENT
- A. Tire changing tools, tire wrench, jack & jack instructions 3
 - B. Side curtain bag on 53-54-55 models and trunk mat original or reproduction and trunk lock working 3
 - C. Original paint & color, (or original upholstery and color on Sting Ray models. 3
 - D. License plate area clean 3
 - E. Overall cleanliness luggage compartment. 4

6. MECHANICAL
- A. Differential & exhaust system (place 0 if not as catalogued) 3
 - B. Fuel system (electric fuel pumps acceptable as a safety feature) 3
 - C. Cooling system, original radiator, expansion water tank, etc. 4
 - D. Electrical, (lights, head lamps, park, tail lights, dome lights & dash lights and license plate lights working.) 6

7. JUDGING
- A. Cars will be checked for cleanliness
 - B. Cars will be ready for inspection and judging by a pre-determined time.

8. SWEEPSTAKE JUDGING (overall award)
- A. Sweepstake cars will be allowed a maximum of 30 minutes cleaning time before judging.
 - B. Pre-requisite for sweepstake judging requires each car to have received a minimum of 80 points on a total of 100 point base.

C. SCORING AGE

In scoring sweepstakes points some consideration should be made to AGE on the following basis:

- 1953 to 55 - 5 points
- 1956 to 57 - 4 points
- 1958 to 62 - 3 points
- 1963 to 67 - 2 points
- 1968 to DATE - 1 point

Reason for this is in sweepstakes judging for quality a new Corvette may get into sweepstake judging with a 1953 Corvette. The 1953 Corvette being 18 years plus older than the new Corvette should be given some extra consideration (points) to compensate for the fact that the new Corvette has everything brand new from the factory and the 53 owner is not so fortunate. Reason for no consideration at this time for MILEAGE is because it is always a point that can be disputed, AGE cannot.

9. POINTS PER CLASS

- 1. General Appearance 21
 - 2. Body and running gear 18
 - 3. Interior 18
 - 4. Engine Compartment 11
 - 5. Luggage Compartment 16
 - 6. Mechanical 16
 - 7. Plus sweepstakes points for AGE. 0-5.
- In other words, total points for a perfect 53 Corvette would be 105 and total points for a perfect 1971 Corvette would be 101.

10. PROTEST (which we hope there will be none.)
- 1. Any protest must be in writing supported by a \$10.00 fee prior to the sweepstake judging.
 - 2. The protest fee will be returned to the protestor if the protest is upheld.
 - 3. The protest fee will be paid to the local region or chapter if the protest is denied.
 - 4. Decision of the Concours officials will be final.

11. DISQUALIFICATIONS

- 1. Any car having obscene pictures, writing or gestures will be disqualified.
- 2. Any car being cleaned after stop clean time announced by the officials will be disqualified.
- 3. Any contestant willfully interfering with or trying to influence the decision of the judges will be disqualified.

12. SUGGESTED CHECK POINTS

14.1 Engine:

- a. Crank pulley
- b. Face & back of fan
- c. Fan clutch
- d. Top of Bell housing
- e. Valve cover gasket area
- f. Base of carburetor
- g. Top of battery
- h. Base of distributor
- i. Fuel pump
- j. Clutch linkage
- k. Underside of fenders
- l. Underside of hood
- m. All hood hinges
- n. All hood hold downs
- o. Brake master cylinder
- p. Smog devices
- q. Over spray
- r. Paint
- s. Water spots
- t. Fuel leaks
- u. Oil leaks
- v. Fire Wall
- w. Behind windshield washer bottle

14.2 Exterior:

- a. Headlights
- b. Parking lights
- c. Tail lights
- d. Wheels & Tires
- e. Grille area
- f. Paint
- g. Wax or cleaner buildup
- h. Windows
- i. License plate
- j. Radio antenna
- k. Chrome work
- l. Inside fenderwells
- m. Door handles
- n. Moisture inside tail light lenses
- o. Water spots
- p. Detailing of tires.

14.3 Interior:

- a. Glass
- b. Seats
- c. Rugs
- d. Glove compartment
- e. Visor
- f. Door jambs
- g. Door panels
- h. Ash tray
- i. Dash area
- j. Steering column & wheel
- k. Weather stripping
- l. Jack storage area

14.4 Undercarriage:

- a. Ball joints
- b. Steering Linkage
- c. Paint
- d. Water Spots
- e. Tires & Wheels
- f. Tire detail
- g. Rear End
- h. Rear spring
- i. Tie rod ends
- j. Transmission

SUMMARY

Let me say each class has only one winner and each Concours sweepstake car so do your best, and always remember, these events are stimulated and run on ENTHUSIASM and do not feel because you did not win the top award or 1st place in your class that you should curse, or find fault with the judges, region or chapter officials, etc. Just keep one thing in mind though you may be disappointed. Go home and work hard on your car and you can bet in the next show you should do better. So I repeat again in closing the entirety of all Corvette ownership clubs, Regions and Chapters will survive only on Corvette ENTHUSIASM. That's what it's all about!

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