

NB 4f. JCRC Response to the January 6 and 8, 2012 Request for Competition Rules Change submitted both by William Beatty, JOCO and Robert Bridgeford, JOCO respectively.

The substance of both requests may be summed up by their suggested rewording of the Series 2 E-type Judging Guide:

William Beatty:

“Metal fuel “T” #C36893 should be installed in place of any existing plastic “T”.

Robert Bridgeford:

“Add the following phrase to the existing book, preserving the original authentic listing, but allowing the choice of a safer alternative:

As an alternate to the plastic fuel T, the metal T (access through C35649 SNG Barrett) with two compression fittings may be installed in the same configuration.”

JCRC Rationale for denying this request:

1. It's against the rules.
2. Owners of older cars may choose to update/replace some, if not all, of the original fittings and components for which there are now better quality parts that (can be made to fit and) offer greater safety and improved service. However, if the replacement parts are judged, and are not identical to the original, they should be scored as non-authentic. (Driven Division accommodates many such changes by eliminating engine judging.)
3. Despite the service or maintainability shortcomings of the original parts, the dedicated owner/enthusiast will find ways to operate the car safely, to present it in its original configuration, and in so doing, meet the standards set by JCNA.
4. Entrants who manage to meet that standard must be given greater credit than those who don't. JCNA does not use a “bonus” point system. Therefore, all vehicles judged to have non-authentic components must receive the deductions specified.
5. Certain unique judged items, necessary for vehicle operation, may become unserviceable and authentic (new) replacement parts are not currently available from any source. If serviceable original used parts cannot be located and the Entrant must resort to substituting a non-authentic part, he or she (and other Entrants with identical Jaguars) must resign themselves to the fact that their maximum possible “perfect” concours score may be less than 100 points.
6. The JCNA Judge's or Judging Guides provide Entrants and restorers with the most accurate information available regarding a models' correct “as delivered” configuration, plus information on Jaguar authorized accessories where applicable. **The Judging Guides are not maintenance documents and will not suggest the use of substitute or non-authentic replacement parts.**