

# Proposed Rule Book Rule Changes for the 2024 Concours Season

## 2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season

### Chapter 1, K6, Page I-11

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## Chapter II, Section 4, A1g1, Page II-7

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#### g. License Plate Frames

Any style or material of license plate frames must be allowed; e.g., only judged for cleanliness and condition.

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##### 1. Champion Division

Plain license plate frames or those advertising current or past Jaguar dealerships, JCNA, JCNA Affiliates, or promoting the Jaguar marque are accepted. Frames may be of any material. All other license plate frames must be scored as non-authentic unless the Entrant can document that Jaguar Cars Ltd., Jaguar Cars Inc., or Jaguar Canada Inc. offered them for that specific year and model.

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**3. Chief Judge Responsibilities**

The Chief Judge is responsible for:

- a. Recruiting local club members to be trained and serve as Judges.
- b. Conducting Judge's Schools. A Judges' training and refresher Judge's School must be scheduled and conducted annually at least ~~two weeks~~ **30 days** prior to the Concours. The Judge's School must include Judges' protocol, practice judging, authenticity, rule changes, lessons learned, and a Rule Book review. The current JCNA Judge's Test must be given to those seeking initial certification or certification renewal. Those seeking to renew their certification, but who cannot attend the Judge's School, must then take the test in accordance with Chapter III, D4, Page III-5. **(2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Season)**

**Note 1:** ~~Some clubs that do not have a Chief Judge of their own must select a Chief Judge from another club to officiate at their Concours and/or to conduct Judge Training.~~ **(2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Season)**

**Note 2 1:** If the Chief Judge serves as an active Concours Judge, the Chief Judge must observe all rules regarding the avoidance of conflict of interest. If the Chief Judge has a Jaguar entered in the competition, the Chief Judge must not handle the completed score sheet for that or any other Jaguar in the same class prior to the announcement of Concours results.

**Note 2:** Should a Chief Judge have a car entered in a class where a question might arise, and it would be a conflict of interest for the Chief Judge to make a decision, the Chief Judge is to defer any questions or judgements to whomever the Chief Judge believes is most knowledgeable to make a decision concerning that conflict. **(2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Season)**

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- d. If the Judge's status must be updated to conform to sanction requirements, it must be updated no less than 30 days prior to the date of the Concours event and the Concours Committee Chair must be notified this has been completed. **(2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)**

**5. Certification Renewal for All Judges**

Take and pass the current JCNA Judge's Test, preferably in a group training session (Should hardship circumstances dictate otherwise, the test may be mailed.)

Note 1: The Chief Judge will is to maintain tests, training, and judge participation records. ~~Should any Judges be unable to meet all renewal requirements, the Chief Judge will decide whether to extend or rescind their certification based on their individual situations and experience level.~~ (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)

Note 2: A passing grade, for the Judge's Test, requires answering at least 45 of the 50 questions correctly.

**6. Certification Lapsed**

If a Judge's certification has lapsed, and a waiver to the certification policy is requested, it must be submitted by contacting the Concours Committee Chairman no later than 10 days prior to the date of the event, giving just cause, including any alternative options to be considered. The Chief Judge must contact the Concours Committee Chairman by email with any supporting information and documentation necessary. The requesting Chief Judge must receive a written approval from the Concours Committee Chairman, any decision made contrary to the decision of the Concours Committee Chairman will not be acceptable. The waiver applies only to the specific date and event requested and does not carry forward for any other additional event(s). The requesting Chief Judge must receive an approval from the Concours Committee for any such waiver prior to the event. The Judge does not have to serve as an apprentice and does not receive an automatic renewal of certification because of said approved waiver. Re-instatement of certification will not occur until the current training and testing have been completed. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)

**8. Judging Own Class**

A Judges must not judge their own Jaguar(s) or the specific class(es) in which their cars have been entered. A Judge must not judge a class in which an immediate family member has a car entered. If a ~~person or firm~~ **Judge** has, maintained or performed existing cosmetic restoration on a Jaguar, ~~neither that person nor any member of the restoration firm utilized,~~ **Judge** is not permitted to judge the class in which that Jaguar is entered. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)

## **B. ENTRANTS DURING THE CONCOURS**

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## **C. PRESENTING THE JAGUAR FOR JUDGING - ALL DIVISIONS**

### **1. Doors, Bonnets, and Boot Lids**

The Chief Judge must announce whether Entries are to be initially presented with their doors, bonnets, and boot lids opened or closed.

**Note:** For Driven Division, see Chapter IV, E., Engine Verification, Page IV-5.  
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## **E. PRESENTING THE JAGUAR FOR JUDGING - DRIVEN DIVISION**

### **Engine Verification**

**Driven Division Entries must be initially displayed with the bonnet open so that before** Before formal judging of each Driven Division Entry begins, a member of either the OV team or the Judging team ~~must~~ **can** first verify that the Entry has a Jaguar engine. (See Chapter II, Section A4, Page II-1). (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)

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The Rule Book currently states that “Judges must ‘learn’ how much misalignment is considered acceptable”, however except for the Judges’ Guides, which do not always cover misalignment, there is no way for Judges to learn such details.

Propose changing the text as indicated below.

**C. EXTERIOR**

**1. Body, Doors, Bonnet, Sun Roofs and Boot Lid**

**Body Panels**

Individual body components must fit well, with a uniform gap between them and adjacent panels or structures. Judge panels for authenticity of shape and material (e.g., no fiberglass). Judge for excessive misalignment, protrusion, or contact around doors, bonnet, and boot lid. Judge for rust and dents and determine if the body has been altered from the original design in any respect. Judge for items which have splits, cracks, or separations. Judge welded, brazed, or leaded body panels, for separation or stress fractures.

**Note:** Many early XK and prior series Jaguars were manufactured with a certain amount of misalignment between the doors, the fenders, the bonnet, the boot lid, and the adjacent body panels. ~~Judges must learn how much misalignment is considered acceptable. It is advisable to discuss deductions for misalignment with other team members before a deduction is determined.~~ **Deduct only for excessive misalignment. It is advisable to deduct for excessive misalignment only after discussing such deductions for such misalignment with other team members before such a deduction is determined.** **Some Jaguars did have panels that fit poorly right from the factory. (2023 AGM Rule Book Change for the 2024 Concours Season)**

## 7. Wheels

Using Appendix B as a reference, judge the road wheels for correct style, size, type, and finish. *Judges must be aware of the authenticity exceptions allowed for Driven Division Entries* (Champion and Special Division Boot Judges must judge the spare wheel and tire).

### Champion Division

**Appendix B lists the road wheels for the correct style, size, type and finish. Wheels must be as manufactured by Jaguar Cars and not modified. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)**

### Driven Division

**Driven Division authenticity exceptions are that any factory available, for that model-year, style, type, or finish, are acceptable. The wheel size (diameter and width) must be as original. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season)**

#### a. Fully and Partially Painted Wheels

Judge the wheels for correct section and that the wheels are painted authentic colors.

#### b. Wire Alloy Wheels and Visible Brake Components

Judge the wheels for correct application, hubs, knock-offs, lugs, emblems, rim style, and number of spokes. Judge the spokes, the wheel face, emblems and all visible portions of the inner and outer wheel rim and hub for cleanliness and condition. Judge the visible brake discs, calipers, and brake drums for cleanliness only; exclude light brake dust.

**Note:** If, during a Judge's normal inspection of wheels and tires that are being judged, inside portions of the wheel, or its brake components, are plainly visible through the spokes/openings in the wheel, those areas and components, must be judged for CLEANLINESS ONLY, NOT condition and NOT authenticity unless specified otherwise in the applicable Judges' Guide. Light/small amounts of brake dust are excluded. Please don't confuse cleanliness and condition, e.g., rust is a condition, not a cleanliness issue.

The tires and the face of the wheel and its lugs, emblems, knock-offs, trim and/or hub caps must be judged for authenticity, cleanliness and condition, in accordance with the Champion and Driven Division rules.

Upon the approval and passing of proposed rule change Chapter V, C7, Page V-8, the following is recommended:

**Chapter V, C Headings renumbered, 2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Concours Season**  
**C. EXTERIOR**

6. Electric Horns
7. Wheels
8. Gas Cap Lids and Doors
9. Tires

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6. Electric Horns
7. Gas Cap Lids and Doors
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9. Wheels

**Chapter V, C9d, Page V-10**

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**d. ~~Fire~~ Valve Stems Caps**

Tire valve stems must have valve stem caps appropriate to the vintage. Pre-'55 Jaguar tire valve stems must have cad-plated, dome-type metal valve stem caps.

Regarding valve stem caps, until proven otherwise or by newly discovered evidence, 1955 to 1962 must be treated as a transitional period for Jaguars and either domed metal or domed black plastic valve stem caps must be treated as authentic. All four valve stem caps on the road wheels plus the valve stem cap on the spare tire must match. Slotted metal valve stem caps, with the core removal extension, are non-authentic. (A separate core removal tool is included in the factory tool kit.) 1963 to approximately 2013 and onward models must have dome-type black plastic valve stem caps. 2014-onward may have either gray plastic, for tires with air pressure sensors, or black plastic, for tires without air pressure sensors. Space-saving spare tires and wheels must have black plastic valve stem caps. Logo valve stem caps must be shown to have been an authentic Jaguar Cars accessory for the specific year and model they are presented on. Green-colored valve stem caps, indicating the use of nitrogen gas, are not an authorized Jaguar accessory and, therefore, are non-authentic. The type of gas in the tire is not a judging issue. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Season)

**Chapter V, C10, Page V-10**

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**10. License Plates, Brackets and Mountings**

- All models delivered to North America were provided with a prepared bumper location or specific devices necessary for mounting a front license plate. If an Entry does not have a front license plate mounted, and is a model originally delivered with separate license plate mounting devices, those devices must be displayed either on or off the car. Judge the license mounting devices for authenticity.
- If an official license plate is not required, a **period correct** "Jaguar", **British number plate** or club plate may be displayed without a non-authentic deduction. License plates are only be judged for cleanliness, **NOT** condition. (2023 AGM Rule Change for the 2024 Season)

**11. License Plate Frames and Plate Clear Covers**

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