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1. PURPOSE OF THE FIVA EVENTS CODE

The purpose of this FEC and its Annexes is to encourage and facilitate International and National Historic Vehicle Events.





2. DEFINITIONS AND RULES

The following definitions and abbreviations shall be used in this FIVA Events Code and its Annexes, in the ANF events rules and their appendices, in all FIVA World Events, FIVA Premier Events and FIVA Events regulations and for general use. It also applies to the former FIVA Event categories i.e. International Events and National Events.

- FIVA** - Fédération Internationale des Véhicules Anciens
(International Historic Vehicle Federation)
- ANF** - Autorité National FIVA (FIVA National Authority)
- EC** - The Events Commission of FIVA
- FEC** - The FIVA Events Code and its Annexes





Historic Vehicle Definition

FIVA defines a historic vehicle as a mechanically propelled vehicle:

-  which is at least 30 years old;
-  which is preserved and maintained in a historically correct condition;
-  which is not used as a means of daily transport;
-  and which is therefore a part of our technical and cultural heritage.

Youngtimer Vehicle Definition

FIVA defines a youngtimer vehicle as a mechanically propelled vehicle:

-  which is between 20 and 29 years of age;
-  which is in good condition and preservation;
-  which is usually used during leisure time;
-  which may become eligible for a FIVA ID Card on reaching 30-years of age.

3. TYPES OF EVENT CLASSIFICATION

Event Categories

- FWE** - **FIVA World Event:** (FWEC=Car; FWEM=Motorcycle; FWEU=Utilitarian)
- FPE** - **FIVA Premier Event:** (FPEC=Car; FPEM=Motorcycle; FPEU=Utilitarian)
- FE** - **FIVA Event:** (FEC=Car; FEM=Motorcycle; FEU=Utilitarian)

Event Types

- R** - Regularity Event
- T** - Touring Event
- C** - Concours Event
- S** - Static Show/Exhibition



UNE - FIVA Event with UNESCO patronage

The event registration number is issued sequentially upon receipt of each online application. Event type may be a combination of categories, see example below.

FPE23/RT/2025 would be a **FIVA Premier Event**, it would be the **23rd** event application received for an event taking place in **2025**, comprising both a **Regularity** and a **Tour**.

4. AUTHORITY OF THE EVENTS COMMISSION OF FIVA

The FIVA Internal Rules authorise the Events Commission (EC) to issue a FIVA Events Code (FEC) to govern events within its specific area of responsibility. The FEC covers all matters concerning the organisation, direction and management of such events within the FIVA specified sector of interest.

5. AUTHORITY FOR EVENTS

FIVA World Events and **FIVA Premier Events** are governed and monitored by the FIVA EC. **FIVA Events** are governed and monitored by the ANF.

We strongly recommend that the FIVA Events Code is applied in all cases.

All events must comply with the applicable national laws of the countries in which the events take place.

6. FIVA LOGO

The FIVA logo must be displayed on all public documents in a prominent position (preferably on the upper right corner) according to the format provided by FIVA.

7. SUSTAINABILITY MEASURES FOR ALL EVENT TYPES

For all types of event, FIVA strongly encourages organisers to apply nationally appropriate 'Sustainability' measures starting with event planning and event documentation, right through to the awards ceremony. It is extremely important that this is taken seriously as national legislation becomes ever more restrictive.

FIVA, FIA and FIM have collaborated on a Sustainability programme for event organisers. Please refer to Annex 7 for more details.

Should you need further advice or guidance about best practice then please contact the Events Commission.

8. TYPES OF EVENT

Regularity Events

Regularity Events, also known as TSD events (Time Speed Distance), are a form of motor sport usually conducted on public roads but sometimes including closed roads and private estates. The object of Regularity Events is to maintain precise times, average speeds and routes on



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various segments of an overall predefined route as well as to complete road sections based on pre-set times to cover link sections (time controls).

Unlike the well-known 'special stage rallying' (which is commonly just called rallying), Regularity Events do not depend on the abilities of the driver at high speed nor does it depend on the speed that vehicles can achieve. A Regularity Event focuses more on the crews' abilities to maintain precise speeds, times and navigation.

These events are of a touring character with elements of cultural interest in which the highest speed or shortest time is not a deciding factor. On roads entirely or partly open to normal traffic, the average speed on each regularity section shall not exceed 50kph or the maximum speeds authorised by the governmental authorities of the countries concerned for such events.

Touring Events

These are events of a non-competitive character with elements of cultural interest. The route of a Touring event may be compulsory, but only verified by the use of simple passage controls. If there is a classification, this must not be decided by a timing element.

Concours Events

These events are where the preservation and presentation of the vehicles will be assessed by suitably qualified judges to standards set by the organiser.

For the FIVA Technical Codes and related EC documents e.g. FIVA guidelines for Preservation Award Judging, please refer to Annex 5.

Static Show/Exhibition

Events where the vehicles are displayed to enthusiasts and the general public to promote their industrial, cultural and historical heritage.

FIVA World Events

FIVA World Events must fulfil the requirements and criteria set by the EC. The EC may approve multiple World Events per annum.

Event Applications for a FIVA World Event can be submitted at any time, but at least 1 year before the event is scheduled to run. Those World Events approved by the EC will be fee-free.

World Events can be exclusively for Cars, Motorcycles or Utilitarian Vehicles, or any combinations thereof.



9. FIVA EVENTS CALENDAR

Event application

To be included in the calendar, all event applications must be made via the online application form on the FIVA Website, and should be submitted at least 3 months before the start date of the event. Failure to do so may result in the application being rejected.

All types of authorised events will be published on the FIVA Events Calendar by the EC and be part of FIVA's World Motoring Heritage initiative.

The EC may inform those ANFs in countries traversed, other than the organiser's nation, about the application and ask for their comments within 14 days.

Event Authorisation

The EC is empowered to accept or to refuse any application without providing any explanation. The FIVA EC is free to sanction organisers for not following the FEC.

Calendar Registration Fee

The calendar registration fees will be decided by the EC. FIVA will invoice the organiser via the FIVA Office. The application and the FIVA Event registration number will only be valid and published on the FIVA Events Calendar once full payment has been received by the FIVA Office.

Registration Fees

The calendar registration fees for events from 1st January 2025 are:

-  FIVA Event – 100€ + VAT*
-  FIVA Premier Event – 500€ + VAT*
- *(VAT rate as applied by Italy)*
-  FIVA World Events and UNE events (once approved by the EC) are registered free of charge.
-  FIVA Partners are entitled to one free event registration per calendar year.

10. RESPECT OF LAWS AND REGULATIONS

Events taking place on roads open to normal traffic must conform to the legislation of the country(ies) in which they take place.

When an event traverses the territory of another country, the organisers must have notified the ANF of the traversed country and obtained the permissions of relevant authorities of each country visited.

Each affected ANF is encouraged to provide help and support to the organising club or organiser, on the basis that the favour will be returned at some future date.



The organiser must respect the FIVA Regulations and the advice and guidance of the FIVA Steward(s).

The EC is free to sanction organisers for not following the FIVA Events Code.

11.VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

Classification of Vehicles

In all events, vehicles will be classified by categories in accordance with the vehicle period classification as laid down in the FIVA Technical Code. NB This also includes a Youngtimer category for vehicles between 20 and 29 years of age.

FIVA registered events should use these classifications. However, other forms of classification may be used if they are part of a historic tradition.

The acceptance of an entry for a particular class is at the discretion of the organiser.

Other forms of classification may be used and sub-divisions are allowed. The acceptance of an entry for a certain class is at the discretion of the organiser.

Eligibility of Vehicles

FIVA has published a Technical Code so that historic vehicles may enter under a set of rules that preserves the specification of their period and prevents significant modifications of performance and behaviour which could arise through the application of later technology. Vehicles are required to comply with the FIVA Technical Code and their FIVA Identity Card.

Roadworthiness

The entrants' vehicles must be safe and in a roadworthy condition. The organiser may exclude a vehicle whose construction is deemed to be dangerous or non-compliant.

12.ADVERTISING

The organiser must specify any special conditions applicable. The Regulations of the Event must mention these special conditions.

13.FIVA IDENTITY CARD

For FIVA World and FIVA Premier Events participating vehicles are expected to have a valid FIVA Identity Card and it is expected to be presented at Scrutineering.

However, organisers can, in their Regulations, make the presentation of a current FIVA ID Card a mandatory requirement.

For all FIVA events, organisers should encourage entrants/crews to obtain FIVA Identity Cards for their vehicles.



14. FIVA STEWARD ROLES AND RESPONSIBILITIES

Responsibility to FIVA

The FIVA Steward appointed to an event shall not, in any way, be responsible for the organisation and shall not have any executive duty in connection therewith, nor participate as a competitor in the event. It follows, therefore, that in the discharge of their duties, Stewards do not incur any responsibility except to FIVA.

The FIVA Steward of the event shall have the general power and authority to enforce compliance with the Event's Regulations, and to adjudicate upon any protests or appeals arising during the event.

For FIVA World and FIVA Premier Events, the Steward is appointed and approved by the EC to monitor and report on the event on behalf of the EC.

On FIVA Events events a 'National Steward' may be appointed by the ANF.

Procedure of appointment to an Event

The EC will appoint one or more Stewards for each FIVA Premier or FIVA World Event.

After Event Registration approval, the EC will inform organisers of FIVA Premier and FIVA World events of the name, address, and contact details of the appointed Steward.

Simultaneously, the EC Stewards' Coordinator will notify the appointed FIVA Steward of the Event Organiser and their contact details plus name and location of the Event, its FIVA Registration number, and any specific FIVA awards allocated to the event and the organiser.

If, however, the appointed Steward is unable to attend the event for which he/she is appointed by the EC, he/she must inform the Stewards' Coordinator immediately. The Stewards' Coordinator or Chairman are authorised to appoint a replacement.

For FIVA World and FIVA Premier Events, the appointed FIVA Steward shall observe the Event on behalf of the EC.

In general, a FIVA Steward should not be appointed more than twice in succession for the same event.

For FIVA Events, the ANF is encouraged to nominate/appoint their own National Steward(s).

At the request of an ANF, additional 'National Stewards' can be nominated/appointed to FIVA Premier events in their own country for the part of the Event running in their own country.

If the ANF wishes to have a National Steward(s) appointed, the organiser is not obliged to pay their expenses. However, for any judicial issues the FIVA Steward makes the final decision.

The appointed FIVA Steward for FIVA World and FIVA Premier Events should not be resident in, or have the nationality of, the organising Club/Federation. This does not apply to any 'National Stewards' appointed under the previous paragraph.



In exceptional circumstances e.g. when the only available Steward is from, or lives in, the country of the event, then the EC Chairman and/or Stewards' Coordinator may override this rule.

FIVA ID Card validation at an event

The FIVA Steward is empowered to examine FIVA Identity Cards and check if they are invalid/expired. If an invalid ID card is discovered, the FIVA Steward will photograph the Vehicle and the ID card, and will notify the Chairman of the FIVA Technical Commission for action and resolution.

Queries

Should a competitor feel aggrieved by any circumstances affecting him/her on the Event, he/she will approach the Clerk of the Course with his/her complaint. Should the complaint not be settled to his/her satisfaction, he/she has the right to protest.

Incidents

The Steward must investigate any incident or breach of the Regulations in close cooperation with the Clerk of the Course appointed by the organiser.

The Steward must bring any incident or breach of Regulations or of local laws to the attention of the organiser and receive a written report from the organiser about the incident.

Protests

The function of the first named FIVA Steward is to constitute an impartial judicial body, to see that the event is run safely and in compliance with national laws, the FIVA Events and Technical Codes and the Organiser's Event and Supplementary Regulations.

The Steward is not appointed to protect the interests of the organiser or the promoter. The FIVA Steward, in collaboration with the other Event Stewards, has the final authority on any protests or appeals.

The Steward's Report

The FIVA Steward must complete and submit their Steward's report to the EC, via the FIVA website, no later than 14 days after the event.

Upon request, the Events Commission will send a copy of the Steward's public report to the Event Organiser.

15. RIGHT TO PROTEST

Entrant rights

The right to protest lies solely with the competitor who may consider he/she is aggrieved by any decision, act or omission of an organiser, official, other competitor or any other person connected with the event. Any protest is to be considered by the Clerk of the Course.



Submission of Protest

The protest must be made in writing, accompanied by the protest fee and in accordance with the time-scale set by the organiser. The Clerk of the Course must inform the FIVA and other Event Stewards of the time and place of the hearing that shall take place before the results are declared Final. All Event Stewards should be present at this hearing but should refrain from taking part in the discussions.

Notice of Hearing

All parties must be given written and signed notice of the hearing by the Clerk of the Course, and it should be held as soon as possible after the receipt of the protest.

The parties are entitled to call witnesses but must state their own case and are not entitled to legal representation.

If any party, having been given adequate notice of the hearing, fails to appear, the Official(s) may give judgement in default.

Privacy

The hearing of the protest should be in private with only involved parties present.

Appeal procedure

Should the complainant still not be satisfied, he/she has the right, at no extra fee, to appeal to the Panel of Stewards, whose verdict is final and must be provided before the Results can be declared Final. In the meantime the results must be classified as provisional.

Should the appeal be successful, the protest fee will be returned.

16.FIVA OBSERVER ROLES

For some events, FIVA are prevented from appointing a FIVA Steward e.g. where another Regulatory body such as FIA or FIM has responsibility for Stewards Duties. In which case FIVA will appoint one of the existing FIVA Stewards, in the role of a FIVA Observer, to the event. The role of the FIVA Observer is basically the same as that of the FIVA Steward, it is to represent, monitor and report back to FIVA. In such cases the FIVA Observer will not have the authority to adjudicate at protests.

For events requesting an upgrade from FIVA Event to FIVA Premier Event status, FIVA will appoint an experienced FIVA Steward in the role of FIVA Observer to monitor and report back to the Events Commission whether the event is suitable for upgrading for the following year. The FIVA Observer's Report is required to be completed and submitted within 14 days of the event finishing.

17.EVENTS CODE DATE OF APPROVAL

This edition of the FIVA Events Code applies from 1st January 2025.



18. LIST OF ANNEXES

Please refer to the following annexes for additional information:

Annex 1	Stewards' Handbook	Click here
Annex 2	Guidelines for Organisers and Officials	Click here
Annex 3	Standard Rules for Regularity Events	Click here
Annex 4	Standard Rules for Touring Events	Click here
Annex 5	Standard Rules for Concours Events	Click here
Annex 6	Standard Rules for World Events	Click here
Annex 7	FIVA Agreements and Documents	Click here
Annex 8	Links to Documents and Websites	Click here