

5TH CATEGORY - HISTORIC RACING

GROUP N

APPROVED VEHICLE SPECIFICATION

This form details the approved specifications of individual vehicle models in the 5th Category Historic car group. To be issued with an Historic Log Book, cars need to comply with these specifications, the physical appearance shown in the illustrations and the general historic rules as detailed in the current Motorsport Australia Manual.

Make of Car:	Ford	Model:	Cortina – 220,240, 240L, 440 – Mark II
Period of Original Manufacture:	August 1967-1969		
Motorsport Australia Historic Group:	Nc		
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Refer to The *Manual*, Historic Appendix, Vehicle Eligibility, General Requirements & Historic Touring Cars Group N Regulations for permitted modifications.

### **Update Log**

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1/1/2024	Inclusion of kerb and minimum racing weights

## SECTION 1 - CHASSIS

# **CHASSIS**

Description:	Uni body, two or four door sedan
Period of Manufacture:	1968
Manufacturer:	Ford
Chassis Number From:	Body model codes are 12414, 12433 and 12434
<b>Chassis Number location:</b>	Late model vehicles have ID on firewall
Material:	Steel
Comments	Nil

# **FRONT SUSPENSION**

Description:	Independer	Independent - by MacPherson Strut with lower arm and sway bar			
Spring Medium:	Coil	Coil			
Damper Type:	Telescopic i	incorporated in strut	Adjustable:	No	
Anti-sway bar:	Yes	Yes		No	
Suspension adjustable:	Yes	Yes Method:			
Comments:	Refer to Ap	Refer to Appendix A.			

# **REAR SUSPENSION**

Description:	Live rear ax	Live rear axle with trailing links			
Spring Medium:	Semi ellipti	Semi elliptical leaf			
Damper Type:	Telescopic		Adjustable:	No	
Anti-sway bar:	No	No		N/A	
Suspension adjustable:	No	No Method:			
Comments:	Refer to Ap	Refer to Appendix A.			

# STEERING

Type:	Recirculating ball	Make:	Ford
Comments	Original form including rod ends must be retained		

# **BRAKES**

Front	Rear	
Disc, solid	Drum	
12.7 mm x 244 mm	228 x 44.5 mm	
Cast iron	Cast iron	
Two	One	
Hydraulic	Hydraulic	
Girling		
Single Cylinder		
Cast iron		
Girling		
Single		
None		
No		
None		
	Disc, solid  12.7 mm x 244 mm  Cast iron  Two  Hydraulic  Girling  Single Cylinder  Cast iron  Girling  Single  None  No	

### **SECTION 2 - ENGINE**

### **ENGINE**

Make:	Ford	Ford				
Model:	2737E crossflow engir	2737E crossflow engine				
No. cylinders:	Four	Four Configuration: In-line				
Cylinder Block-material:	Cast iron	Cast iron Two/Four Stroke: Four				
Bore - Original:	80.97 mm	80.97 mm <b>Max allowed:</b> 82.47 mm				
Stroke - original:	77.62 mm	77.62 mm <b>Max allowed:</b> 77.62 mm				
Capacity - original:	1599 cc	1599 cc <b>Max allowed:</b> 1660 cc				
Identifying marks:	691M-6015BA	691M-6015BA				
Cooling method:	Liquid	Liquid				
Comments:	Any 8.21" height ded	Any 8.21" height deck block with the following Engine Casting Block				
		number: 681F-6015BA, 691M-6015BA, 691F-6015BA, 711M-6015BA, as well as new Ford Motorsport block Part number M-6010-16L.				

# CYLINDER HEAD

Make:	Ford				
No. of valves/cylinder:	Two	Inlet:	One	Exhaust:	One
No. of ports total:	Eight	Inlet:	Four	Exhaust:	Four
No. of camshafts:	One	Location:	Block	Drive:	Chain
Valve actuation:	Pushrod and Rocker				
Spark plugs/cylinder:	One				
Identifying marks:	N/A				
Comments:	Cylinder head is a crossflow type.				

# **LUBRICATION**

Method:	Wet sump	Oil tank location:	N/A
Dry sump pump type:	N/A	Location:	N/A
Oil cooler standard:	No	Location:	N/A
Comments:	None		

# **IGNITION SYSTEM**

Type:	pe: Points, coil and distributor	
Make: Lucas/Autolite		
Comments Breakerless electronic ignition permitted		

# **FUEL SYSTEM**

Carburettor Make:	Ford/Zenith	Model:	VN	
<b>Carburettor Number:</b>	One			
Size:	Various			
Fuel injection Make:	N/A	Туре:	N/A	
Supercharged:	No	Туре:	N/A	
Comments:	None			

## **SECTION 3 - TRANSMISSION**

## **CLUTCH**

Make:	Ford
Type:	Coil spring
Diameter:	191 mm
No. of Plates:	One
Actuation:	Hydraulic
Comments:	None

## **TRANSMISSION**

Type:	Synchromesh	
Make:	Ford – Type 3 single rail or type 2 single rail	
	Refer Appendix A	
Gearbox location:	Behind engine	
No. forward speeds:	Four	
Gearchange type and location:	Centre lever shift	
Case material:	Cast iron with separate cast iron bell housing	
Identifying marks:	N/A	
Comments:	Aluminium drive line components Homologated for MK 1 Lotus	
	Cortinas are not legal for other models.	

# FINAL DRIVE

Make:	Ford	Model:	'English 'Banjo type	
Type:	Live rear axle			
Ratios:	Various			
Differential type:	Banjo			
Comments:	None			

# TRANSMISSION SHAFTS (EXPOSED)

Number:	One.
Location:	Gearbox to final drive
Description:	Tubular and Open tail shaft with twin uni joints.
Comments:	None

# WHEELS & TYRES

Wheel type - Original:	Pressed disc	Material - Original: Steel		Steel
Wheel type - Allowed:	Steel	Materia	- Allowed:	Steel
	Alloy (period style)			Alloy
Fixture method:	Studs and nuts	No. stud	s:	Four
Wheel dia. & rim width	FRONT	REAR		REAR
Original:	4" x 13"	4" x 13"		4" x 13"
Allowed	7" x 13"	7" x 13"		7" x 13"
Tyre Section:				
Allowed:	Refer approved tyre list.			
Aspect ratio - minimum:	60% minimum aspect ratio.			
Comments:	None			

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### **SECTION 4 GENERAL**

## **FUEL SYSTEM**

Tank Location:	RH side of boot	Capacity:	40 litres
Fuel pump, type:	Mechanical on engine block	Make:	Ford
Comments:	None		

# **ELECTRICAL SYSTEM**

Voltage:	12	Alternator fitted:	Alternator
Battery Location:	Engine bay		
Comments:	None		

# **BODYWORK**

Type:	Closed touring	Material:	Steel
No. of seats:	Four	No. doors:	Two or Four
Comments:	None		

# **DIMENSIONS**

Track - Front:	1290 mm plus or minus 25	Rear:	1270 mm plus or minus	
	mm		25mm	
Wheelbase:	2489 mm plus or minus	Overall length:	4275 mm	
	25mm			
Approved Manufacturer's	2 door - 876 kgs			
kerb weight:	4 door – 876 kgs			
Approved minimum racing	2 door - 850 kgs			
weight:	4 door – 850 kgs			
Comments:	Separate F O R D letters on bonnet and boot, a black grille and chrome			
	above and below the tail lights.			
	The 240 and 440 got chrome strips on the rear flanks, but not on the L. L			
	stood for luxury, it got chrome sill moulds, side stripes, upgraded seats and			
	woodgrain trim.			

# **SAFETY EQUIPMENT**

Refer applicable Group Regulations
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### Appendix A

## Suspension

#### Front

Adjustable strut top mounts and dampers permitted. Spring platform location may be changed; adjustable spring platforms are permitted. Spring height adjustment permitted.

#### Rear

Additional lateral and longitudinal linkages permitted; adjustable dampers permitted. Rear damper original upper mountings must be used; 'turret' style upper mountings (where modification to body floor pan is necessary) are NOT permitted.

Spring height adjustment permitted.

### Gearboxes

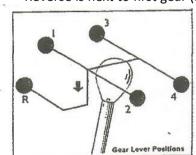
Make:

**Type 3 Single Rail** 



#### Features:

- Single rail
- Reverse is next to first gear (LHS)



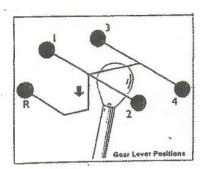
- Case is cast iron, tail housing is alloy
- Starter motor is on the driver's side
- 7/8" x 20 spline input shaft

Type 2 Single Rail



### **Features:**

- Single rail
- Reverse is next to first gear (LHS)



- One-piece bell housing and main case
- Case is cast iron, tail housing is alloy
- Starter motor is on the driver's side
- 7/8" x 20 spline input shaft