

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 – TC
Period of Original Manufacture:	1971-1977		
Motorsport Australia Historic Group:	Nc		
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Refer to Motorsport Australia Manual of Motor Sport, Vehicle Eligibility, Historic Touring Cars, General Requirements & Nc Regulations for permitted modifications.

Update Log

1/1/2024	Inclusion of kerb and minimum racing weights
26/2/2025	Adjustment of vehicle weights

SECTION 1 - CHASSIS

CHASSIS

Description:	Unitary construction
Period of Manufacture:	1971-1974
Manufacturer:	Ford
Chassis Number From:	
Chassis Number location:	
Material:	Steel
Comments	None

FRONT SUSPENSION

Description:	Independen	Independent with double wishbone				
Spring Medium:	Coil	Coil				
Damper Type:	Telescopic	Telescopic Adjustable: No				
Anti-sway bar:	Yes	Yes		No		
Suspension adjustable:	Yes	Method:	Toe			
Comments:	Refer to App	Refer to Appendix A.				

REAR SUSPENSION

Description:	Four bar lin	Four bar link with trailing arms				
Spring Medium:	Coil	Coil				
Damper Type:	Telescopic	Telescopic Adjustable: No				
Anti-sway bar:	No	No		N/A		
Suspension adjustable:	No	Method:	N/A			
Comments:	Refer to Ap	Refer to Appendix A.				

STEERING

Type:	Rack and Pinion	Make:	Ford
Comments	None		

BRAKES

Front	Rear			
Disc, solid	Drum			
12.7 mm x 247.5 mm	228 x 44.5 mm			
Cast iron	Cast iron			
Two	One			
Hydraulic	Hydraulic			
Girling				
Twin Cylinder	Twin Cylinder			
Cast iron	Cast iron			
Girling	Girling			
Dual				
None				
No	No			
None				
	Disc, solid 12.7 mm x 247.5 mm Cast iron Two Hydraulic Girling Twin Cylinder Cast iron Girling Dual None No			

SECTION 2 - ENGINE

ENGINE

Make:	Ford	Ford			
Model:	Pinto				
No. cylinders:	Four	Configuration:	In-line		
Cylinder Block-material:	Cast iron	Two/Four Stroke:	Four		
Identifying marks:					
Bore – Original - 2000:	90.80 mm	Max allowed:	92.30 mm		
Stroke - original - 2000:	76.95 mm	Max allowed:	76.95 mm		
Capacity - original - 2000:	1993 сс	Max allowed:	2059 cc		
Cooling method:	Liquid				
Comments:	None				

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:	OHC	Drive:	Belt
Valve actuation:	Finger followers				
Spark plugs/cylinder:	One				
Identifying marks:	N/A				
Comments:	None				_

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

Туре:	Points, coil and distributor
Make:	Autolite/Bosch
Comments	Breakerless electronic ignition permitted

FUEL SYSTEM

Carburettor Make:	Weber	Model:	DGAV	
Carburettor Number:	One			
Size:	32/36			
Fuel injection Make:	N/A	Type:	N/A	
Supercharged:	No	Type:	N/A	
Comments:	None		<u> </u>	

SECTION 3 - TRANSMISSION

CLUTCH

Make:	Ford
Type:	Diaphragm
Diameter:	215.9 mm
No. of Plates:	One
Actuation:	Cable
Comments:	None

TRANSMISSION

Type:	Synchromesh	
Make:	Ford – Type E single rail	
	Refer Appendix A	
Gearbox location:	Behind engine	
No. forward speeds:	Four	
Gearchange type and location:	Remote central floor mount	
Case material:	Cast iron with separate cast iron bell housing	
Identifying marks:	N/A	
Comments:	This gearbox, identified by the detachable bellhousing and 1" 23 spline	
	input shaft is eligible in Group Nc.	

FINAL DRIVE

Make:	Ford Model: 'English 'Banjo type		'English 'Banjo type
Type:	Live rear axle, Semi floating hypoid		
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:	One

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. studs: Four		Four
Wheel dia. & rim width	FRONT	REAR		REAR
Original:	5.5" x 13"	5.5" 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:	Floor of boot		Capacity:	54 litres
Fuel pump, type:	Mechanical on	engine	Make:	Ford
	block			
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:	Four
Comments:	None		

DIMENSIONS

Track - Front:	1422 mm	Rear:	1422 mm
Wheelbase:	2578 mm	Overall length:	4260 mm
Approved Manufacturer's	945 kgs		
kerb weight:			
Approved minimum racing	921 kgs		
weight:			
Comments:	None		

SAFETY EQUIPMENT

Refer applicable Group Regulations

Appendix A

Suspension

Front

Spring height adjustment permitted.

Rear

Spring height adjustment permitted.

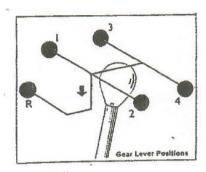
Suspension

Type E 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