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1. PREAMBLE

PREMISE:

The basic premise of the 944 Challenge series was to develop an enjoyable, low cost and affordable racing series in near standard Porsche 944 vehicles. To be eligible for awards and points in the 944 Challenge Series, each automobile is required to comply with Group 2B Regulations outlined in the Motorsport Australia Manual except where a variation is explicitly authorized or required by these Regulations. Where any discrepancy exists between any restriction, dimension or component specified in the Group 2B Technical Regulations and these regulations, these regulations shall take priority.

2. DEFINITIONS

IDENTIFICATION:

The VIN prefix used by the manufacturer for identification of eligible vehicles is:- Porsche 944, VIN prefix WPOZZZ94Z or WPOAAO94. Vehicles with identification plates with other than the above codes are not necessarily prohibited from use, provided that the specifications of the car are in compliance with those of the cars identified in this clause.

3. BODYWORK AND DIMENSIONS

3.1 STRENGTHENING:

Seam welding of the body shell is not permitted. Reinforcement of fully sprung components of the bodyshell/chassis is not permitted.

3.2 BUMPER BARS AND EMBELLISHMENTS:

Rear bumper bar or a fibreglass replica must be retained. sump guards may not extend rearwards past the rearmost edge of the front suspension cross member.

3.3 FRONT AIR DAM:

Front bumper/fascia must be either standard, or a fibreglass replica of that fitted to the 944 turbo model. Front air dams or any aerodynamic devices may not be added.

3.4 REAR AERODYNAMIC DEVICES:

The rear spoiler must be either standard, or a fibreglass replica thereof. Additional rear spoilers / wings must not be added.

3.5 SOUND DEADENER:

No additional restrictions.

3.6 WINDSCREEN, WINDOWS AND MIRRORS:

The rear hatch must be the retained standard glass component. Additionally, rear hatch restraints must be fitted to each side of the hatch, either in addition to, or replacing, the standard latch mechanism to prevent the hatch opening no more than 250mm.

3.7 REMOVABLE PANELS:

- (a) Rear quarter panels must be either standard, or a fibreglass replica provided that they are of identical external shape to the factory panel.

- (b) Door material can be either steel or fiberglass. Where the doors or door skins are replaced with fiberglass, at least one schedule J compliant anti-intrusion door bar must be fitted on the driver's side as part of the safety cage structure.

3.8 WHEEL AND TYRE CLEARANCE:

The body width is to be a maximum of 1740 mm, as measured above the centre line of the front and rear axles. Wheel arches may not be flared.

3.9 GENERAL:

- (a) Minimum Racing Weight is 1100 kg
- (b) Towing points must be made of a non-rigid material eg. Webbing.

4. ENGINE

4.1 GENERAL:

The complete engine assembly must remain standard and unmodified, save as specified in 4.1 to 4.7 below.

- (a) Blueprinting and balancing of components is permitted.
- (b) The fuel rail may be replaced by one of free design.
- (c) Crankshaft: Cross-drilling is permitted only to aid lubrication.
- (d) Camshaft: The Camshaft may be either type 155.05 or 155.09.
- (e) A type 155.05 cam may be modified to type 155.09 specifications or a new billet ground to type 155.09 specifications by the approved supplier.

The approved supplier is:

Clive Motorsport Australia Factory 4, 35-37 Clyde St Ferntree Gully 3156

Ph. 03 9758 5977.

Each re-ground Camshaft shall be stamped by the supplier with an identification number and grinders make.

- (f) The Camshaft timing sprocket may be replaced with an adjustable sprocket, or the keys and keyways of the standard Camshaft timing sprocket may be modified. The Camshaft timing must remain standard. The timing belt cover may be removed or replaced by a custom-made part
- (g) The following items may be replaced by mechanically and functionally identical substitute components:
 - (i) Pistons and rings
 - (ii) Bearings
 - (iii) Valve springs
 - (iv) Piston pins
 - (v) Bolts and fasteners
 - (vi) Gaskets
 - (vii) Valves
 - (viii) Spark plug leads
 - (ix) Ignition Coil
 - (x) Alternator
 - (xi) Electrical Wiring
- (h) The following specifications shall apply to engines.
 - (i) Bore 100.50 mm Maximum
 - (ii) Stroke 78.9 mm \pm 0.1
 - (iii) Compression Ratio 11.5:1 Maximum

- (i) Throttle body: The throttle cam profile may be modified.
- (j) Engine Control Unit (ECU). The controlled ECU is either the Wolf 3D 944 Challenge unit, available from Advanced Engine Management Systems or the Motec M400 944 Challenge Control ECU plus full kit available from Motec. The ECU and sensors supplied with the engine management system must be used. The maximum allowable engine RPM is 6500. It is the entrant's responsibility to demonstrate compliance with the RPM limit as requested.
From 01/01/08, the ECU is unlocked, and the crank angle may be detected in any position using sensors supplied.
- (k) The following minimum weights shall apply:
 - (i) Crankshaft (bare) 23.5 kg
 - (ii) Connecting rod/screws/cap/nuts 820 g
 - (iii) Inlet valve 96 g
 - (iv) Exhaust valve 94 g
 - (v) Clutch assy. including fasteners See section 7.2
 - (vi) Piston/rings/piston pin/clips 710 g
- (l) The \varnothing 70mm tube with air temp sensor (supplied with the Wolf ECU) must replace the air flow meter and be installed in the same position. The Engine Air Intake is free upstream of \varnothing 70mm tube. All engine intake air must pass through the \varnothing 70mm tube.
- (m) The fuel pressure regulator(s) may be replaced by one of free design.

4.2 RECIPROCATING ENGINES:

- (a) Cylinder heads:
 - (i) The combustion chambers in the cylinder head must remain in the original condition supplied by the factory and may not be altered in any way. Alteration of valve seat geometry is permitted.
 - (ii) Removal of piston material to increase valve clearance is permitted.
 - (iii) The maximum throat diameter of the inlet valve seat insert shall be 39.80 mm.
 - (iv) The maximum throat diameter of the exhaust valve seat insert shall be 34.90 mm.
 - (v) The thickness of the cylinder head ("A" dimension) is not restricted.
- (b) The cylinder block may only have material removed from the cylinder head mounting face, and internally only as much material may be removed as to facilitate the fitment of cylinder liners.

4.3 OIL SYSTEM:

Dry sump systems are not permitted.

4.4 EXHAUST:

Original exhaust manifolds must be retained and must not be modified in any way. The exhaust must exit after the rear wheels.

4.5 ENGINE MOUNTS:

Engine mounts must maintain the original position of the engine.

5. COOLING/OIL SYSTEM

5.1 RADIATOR:

Custom radiators may be used subject to the following restrictions:

- (a) The width and height must be no greater 5% larger than that of the standard radiator.
- (b) The thickness of the core shall be no greater than 55 mm.
- (c) The location of the radiator must remain as standard.

The cooling system header tank may be relocated and/or replaced with a non-standard tank of similar capacity. Additional hoses may be added between the header tank and the cylinder head.

5.2 RADIATOR COWL/SHROUD:

Custom ducting must not protrude below the front bumper and must be through existing body openings only, which includes driving light recesses.

6. TRANSMISSION TO THE WHEELS

6.1 GEARBOX AND FINAL DRIVE:

The gearbox/final drive assembly shall be Porsche 944 Type 016J or 016K (Identification Code 5Y or 5S or ASG only), in unmodified form. Only the following ratios are permitted.

Gear	Ratio
1st	3.6000:1
2nd	2.1250:1
3rd	1.4583:1
4th	1.0714:1
5th*	0.8286:1(016J) or 0.7297:1 (016K)
Rev	3.5000:1

*Either 5th gear ratio may be installed.

- (a) Differential: Limited slip or locked differentials are not permitted. Final Drive Ratio: The only permitted ratio is 3.8890:1
- (b) Gear linkages: The original gear selector pivot point must be retained.
- (c) Cooling of lubricants: Cooling of gearbox/final drive/differential lubricant is permitted.
- (d) Bearings, gaskets and seals may be replaced by non-genuine components provided that they must be mechanically and functionally identical substitutes.
- (e) Over select stops may be added to the internals of the gearbox.
- (f) The gearbox housing may be modified for the fitment of hose fittings for the sole purpose of adding a gearbox/final drive oil cooler
- (g) An oil pump may be added for the sole purpose of pumping oil through a cooler for the sole purpose of cooling the gearbox/final drive oil
- (h) An oil cooler of free design may be added for the sole purpose of cooling gearbox/final drive oil

6.2 FLYWHEEL:

The minimum weight of the clutch assembly is 10.2Kg which includes:

- (a) flywheel
- (b) flywheel bolts
- (c) drive plates
- (d) driven plates
- (e) pressure plate
- (f) clutch cover
- (g) clutch cover bolts
- (h) diaphragm spring ring gear

When weighing original Porsche style clutch thrust bearing is included in weight.

6.3 TAILSHAFT/DRIVESHAFTS:

May be replaced with mechanically functional and identical substitutes including shaft diameter and weight.

7. SUSPENSION AND STEERING

7.1 FRONT SUSPENSION COMPONENTS:

The front suspension pivot points may not be relocated except that the control arm inner pivot/mounting position in the cross member may be moved upwards by a maximum of 20mm. Control springs must be used, with use of the provided 'helper spring' being optional. These are available to purchase as part of a complete control suspension kit through the 944 Racing Association. Suspension bushes are free. Related components (Front control arm mounting points, fasteners, etc) cannot be modified.

7.2 REAR SUSPENSION COMPONENTS:

Control arms must be standard but may be of either factory alloy or steel variants. The damper mounting point and spring seat on the steel arms may be modified to match those of the alloy arm. The control arm and spring plate pivot/mounting points must remain as standard. The spring plate must remain standard. Control springs must be used, with use of the provided 'helper spring' being optional. These are available to purchase as part of a complete control suspension kit through the 944 Racing Association. Suspension bushes are free. Related components (Rear control arms and mounting points, fasteners, etc.) cannot be modified.

7.3 SUSPENSION DAMPERS:

Control shock absorbers must be used. These are available to purchase as part of a complete control suspension kit through the 944 Racing Association. The original pivot points must be retained.

7.4 WHEEL BEARINGS, HUBS AND TRUNNIONS:

Stub axles, bearings and hubs must remain standard.

7.5 MACPHERSON STRUT TOP MOUNTS:

Must be as standard.

7.6 ANTI-SWAY BARS:

The anti-sway bars may not be adjustable by the driver seated in the normal driving position.

7.7 WHEEL TRACK:

Maximum Front	1500mm
Maximum Rear	1480mm
Maximum Wheelbase	2400 mm

See Motorsport Australia Manual for measurement method.

7.8 RIDE HEIGHT:

No additional restrictions.

7.9 STEERING AND WHEEL ALIGNMENT:

The maximum permitted front wheel castor angle is 3°.

8. BRAKES

The entire braking system must be retained in unmodified form, except as allowed in this section.

8.1 MASTER CYLINDERS:

Must be retained in unmodified form.

8.2 BRAKE ROTORS:

Original brake rotors must be retained. Brake rotors may be subjected to slotting and/or cross drilling.

8.3 BRAKE CALIPERS:

Freedom is granted in relation to caliper seals only.

8.4 Brake Pads:

Only Hawk Pads HT10 Motorsport Brake Pads are permitted. Front Compound HB199S.702, Rear compound HB198S.685. Brake pads must be purchased from V-Sport Australia.

9. WHEELS AND TYRES

9.1 WHEELS:

WHEELS: The maximum rim size is 15" x 8" (front and rear)

Magnesium wheels are not permitted

9.2 TYRES:

Only Yokohama A050R 225/50R15 Medium compound tyres may be used. Removal of tread material by Buffing and/or Grooving is not permitted.

10. ELECTRICAL

10.1 ELECTRICAL SYSTEM:

(a) **FRONT LIGHTS:** If the standard pop-up headlights are removed, they must be replaced by either 2 or 4 rectangular lights mounted in the driving light recesses of the front bumper.

(b) **DIMENSIONS OF THE LIGHTS:**

Minimum width	125mm
Minimum height	55mm
Minimum power	55W

11. COCKPIT/DRIVER'S COMPARTMENT

11.1 CONTROLS:

The pedal box, and the position of the pivot points in the pedal box must remain as standard.

11.2 CARPET AND INTERIOR TRIM:

Either the standard console over the transmission tunnel, or a fiberglass replica thereof must be retained.

11.3 Cockpit/Drivers Compartment - Cameras

It is required to have at least one forward-facing high-definition video recording camera in each automobile. This camera must be operational and recording when on the circuit during all timed sessions.

12. SAFETY STRUCTURES

12.1 SAFETY CAGE/ROLL OVER PROTECTION STRUCTURES:

The Safety Cage must not extend outside the cockpit.

13. FUEL

All fuel used must be compliant with Schedule G of the Motorsport Australia Manual. The fuel to be used in competition may only be Racefuels 100 RON Racing Fuel. No additives of any kind are permitted.