

mapped to conform with these specifications.

H. O. Smith, president of the Premier Company of this city, had a hand in making these rules as the Manufacturers Contest Association, of which he is president, helped define the status of a "stock car" and passed on all of the other rules by way of suggestion and approval.

The lawmakers dive at once into the heart of most events by defining the stock model. It was charged last year that big concerns could live up to the letter of the law and yet race cars that were not stock models. Last year any firm making twenty-five cars of one model was permitted to race them as stock cars. It was charged that a firm could build this number and never offer a one to the public, but at the same time race them as stock cars, the kind Mr. Everyday Man was supposed to be buying.

#### Rule Helps Buyers.

This was not only unfair to the public, but was a millstone on the neck of the manufacturer who built so few cars that he could not afford to construct twenty-five special racers.

The new order of things demands that the manufacturers follow a sliding scale. By this scale big and little builders are given an equal chance to show off their models.

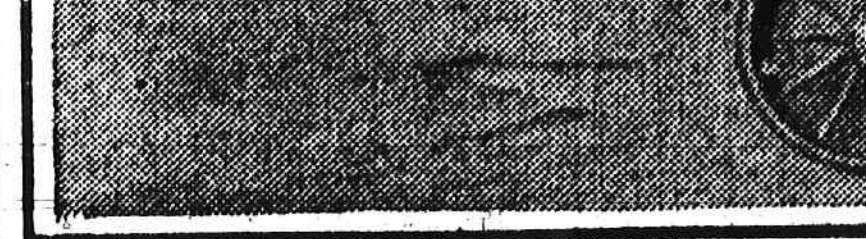
The percentages are calculated on actual total output. For example: If the total annual output of a manufacturer is 2,500 cars at least 8 per cent of said output, or 200 cars, must be of the same model in order to constitute such model a stock car under this definition.

The use of different bodies—touring car, miniature tonneau, runabout, etc.—upon the same chassis shall not constitute a difference of model under the meaning of this definition, but cars thus equipped must be entered in the respective classes to which the body equipment renders them eligible. Tops, wind shields and extra tires may be removed whether or not they may be furnished as regular equipment.

Otherwise the car must be constructed and equipped exactly as offered for sale to the public. In case cars are entered in events that do not conform to these rules the entrants must forfeit the entrance fees to the promoters and remain out of the contest.

A stock chassis next comes in for its X-ray inspection and definition by the lawmakers. They decide that a stock chassis except for option listed below can by adding the necessary parts be assembled into a complete stock car.

#### Permits Some Options.



Following table of piston displacement and minimum chassis weight:

	Weight.
1. 160 and under (piston).....	1,200
2. 161 to 230.....	1,500
3. 231 to 300.....	1,800
4. 301 to 450.....	2,100
5. 451 to 600.....	2,400
6. 601 to 750.....	2,600

Class "C" is open to any gasoline car or chassis made by a factory which has during the twelve months prior to the date of the contest produced at least fifty motor cars (not necessarily of the same model). Eligible for entry under the piston displacement limitations of Class "B," but without minimum weight restrictions.

No car shall compete in any class above that which its piston displacement entitles it.

Class "D" is open to any gasoline car which complies with the definition of a "motor car" without restrictions as to piston displacement, weight, price or quantity of product. There may not be more than two events under class "D" upon one day's program without special permission of the contest board.

Class "E" for special events other than those above specified, held in connection with any motor car meet or contest and approved by the contest board, of which there may not be more than two upon a day's program without special permission of the contest board.

Class "F" is open to gasoline "stock cars" of the high-wheeled solid-tired buggy type, diameter of wheel 36 inches or over. Entries are subject to price limitations of class "A."

Class "G" is open to electric stock cars only. Subject to price limitations of class "A."

Class "H" is open to commercial cars, cabs and trucks. Division limitations to be obtained from the contest board.

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