



2023 RULES & REGULATIONS

IN AN EFFORT TO MAKE THE CAR SHOW A FAMILY ATMOSPHERE AS WELL AS RESPECT THE RESIDENTIAL AREA THE SHOW IS BEING HELD IN, THERE ARE A FEW POLICIES WE ASK ALL CLASSIC CAR OWNERS AND PATRONS OF THE CAR-SHOW TO FOLLOW. IF YOU DO NOT ABIDE BY THESE SHOW POLICIES, YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE THE SHOW BY THE CONVENTION CENTER STAFF.

REGISTRATION / ENTRIES:

All entries must be registered at the show table by the end of the registration/move-in time. The registration card must be filled out, placed on the dashboard, and visible to the judges. If the judging card is not visible, the entry will not be judged. The judges may change the classification of your vehicle to the appropriate class.

DISPLAY GUIDELINES:

Exhibitor displays are meant to enhance the appearance of that entry and protect the entry from the general public. That is the sole purpose of the display. Displays used for other means may be removed (this is at the discretion of the Judges). This means NO loud music is allowed from the exhibitor's display inside. Any display with objectionable music, videos, art, or other media is not permitted and will be removed from the show. The promoter reserves the right to determine what is considered objectionable.

ELECTRICITY:

Electricity may be offered to the exhibitors by the facility or show promoters (at an additional charge). If electricity is available, all wiring must have a grounded three-pronged plug and follow any facility safety requirements and regulations.

Pets

Pets are strongly discouraged for health and safety reasons. If you cannot make other arrangements for boarding, your pet must be on a leash, and policing after them is required. Your pet must be under your control at all times and you are fully responsible for its actions. Any offensive or unsafe actions by your pet may result in expulsion from the McAllen International Carfest without refund. -

END OF SHOW -:

Displays may not be torn down until the start of the trophy presentation. Starting the engine, moving vehicle, or operating the hydraulic/airbag systems is strictly forbidden until after the general public has cleared the facility. This safety rule will be enforced to protect the audience and children.

IMPORTANT INFORMATION

- **WHEN YOU CHECK-IN AT THE CAR SHOW YOU ENTER ON THE EASTSIDE OF THE MCALLEN CONVENTION CENTER.**
- **PLEASE MAKE SURE THAT YOUR SHOW CARD IS ACCESSIBLE AT ALL TIMES**
- **REMEMBER THE JUDGES CAN ONLY EVALUATE WHAT THEY CAN SEE!**
- **YOUR VEHICLE WILL BE EVALUATED FROM BUMPER TO BUMPER AND FROM TOP TO UNDERCARRIAGE**
- **THE HOOD SHOULD BE OPEN**
- **AT LEAST ONE DOOR SHOULD BE OPEN OR AJAR**
- **THE TRUNK SHOULD BE OPEN**
- **CONVERTIBLES MAY BE SHOWN WITH THE TOP UP OR DOWN**
- **IF THE TOP IS DOWN LEAVE ONE CORNER OF THE BOOT UN-SNAPPED**
- **PICKUP BEDS ARE JUDGED AS PART OF THE INTERIOR TAILGATES DO NOT NEED TO BE DOWN**
- **YOUR VEHICLE MUST BE SET UP AND READY TO BE JUDGED BY THE OPENING OF THE SHOW AND REMAIN THAT WAY FOR THE DURATION OF THE SHOW**
- **PLEASE DO NOT CLOSE UP YOUR VEHICLE AT NIGHT_JUDGING CONTINUES AFTER SHOW HOURS**
- **REMEMBER THIS IS A CAR SHOW CLEANLINESS AND ATTENTION TO DETAIL ARE VERY IMPORTANT**

Car Show Policies:

1. Each entry/participant will receive one (1) show Access Pass for show entry. Access Pass given at registration must be worn at all times. Any attendees not wearing the Access Pass will be escorted from the show. Also, you will receive one complimentary ticket - can be redeemed on one of the 3 days during the event.
2. As an entry/participant, I assume all responsibility and liability for my person, my vehicle, displays, and related items before, during, and after show hours.
3. There are only 215 spaces inside the Convention Center. If there are more than 215 registrants, registrants will go onto a waiting list until any vehicle cancels, does not make it, or pulls out of the car show. Here the first registrant on the waiting will move up to be placed in location.
4. All car owners must turn in a picture of your vehicle upon filling out your registration. Failing to turn in a picture will delay the process by the Carfest Committee to approve classification and placement of vehicle.
5. Parking spaces will be based on car makes and models, unless any other instructions are given by Carfest Committee. Assigned parking space is NOT to be altered. If you come with friends that drive different models, you will not be allowed to park together. Please follow MCC staff instructions upon your arrival.
6. All entries must be registered at the show office by starting time. Starting time will be posted at the registration table. The registration number must be placed on the dashboard and visible to the judges. If judging card is not visible, entry will be disqualified. It is the owner's responsibility to place the card on the dash completely filled out with the correct name of entry, within 2 hours of registration. No nick-names please, because any checks will be written out to the name on the entry form; a wrong name may delay the judges from judging your car. The judges will enter your vehicle's classification.
7. Spaces are issued in 10x20-foot sizes. If you need additional space, you must be pre-approved by the Carfest Committee for the 20x20 space.
8. All displays must be completed before the opening of the show to be eligible for any display points. Fire marshal will examine on day before show.
9. NO personal BBQ, No loud music, No engine starts, No squealing of tires, No burnouts, No racing or cruising. Security officers will immediately escort out those participants found in those activities.
10. Banners, Flags, Tents or advertisements of/by non-participating sponsors of MCC are not allowed to be displayed at the show. Participants can bring a blank canopy only. Canopies should not obstruct the display of any vehicles and/or walkways.
11. All children under age of 12 must be accompanied by an adult and under his/ her supervision at all time.
12. Show participants must follow all directions and maintain slow speed (under 5 mph) inside the Exhibit Hall when driving.
13. Any participants with emergency reasons to leave the show early must receive an authorization from MCC event staff, have it approved by Carfest Committee, and be escorted by security officers on duty.

Classification & Judging

14. If a vehicle is placed in the wrong class, it is the owner's responsibility to notify the registration table. Questions or clarifications should be presented to the Judges by 3 p.m. on day of show.
15. Entries must be ready to be judged two (2) hours after being assigned a space at the show, or be disqualified. Entries with turntables or exceptionally intricate displays may be given more time in some cases.
16. Judges must have access to undercarriage for viewing purposes. Judges are not allowed to open vehicles; any modifications should be open or visible for inspection.
17. All vehicles must comply with fire safety rules set forth, including taping the gas caps, disconnecting the batteries and other facility requirements. All vehicles must have a 1/4 of a tank of gas or less when coming indoors.
18. No Vehicle will be moved once they are parked on the show lot, unless a staff member asks specifically for a vehicle to be moved. This is due to safety reasons for the public present at the show.
19. The decision of the judges is final. Revision will not be made to judging sheets.
20. Carfest awards will include 1st, 2nd, and 3rd Place winners of 65 categories.
This includes the following ;
 - Best of - 20 Categories 20x24 plaque
 - Best Interior, Best Paint, Best Engine, Best Display , 20x24 Plaque
 - Mayor's Choice, Kid's Choice, Ladies Choice, People's Choice, Long Distance.
 - 2020 Best of Show
21. Rules and regulations are subject to change without notice. The Carfest Committee can approve and disapprove any classification of any vehicle participating.
22. We reserve the right to refuse service / cancel registration / and or entrance to individuals we deem inappropriate. Any participants, visitors or exhibitors who fail (or has failed in the past) to follow the written rules and regulations or verbal instruction from the event staff is subject to disqualification and removal or/cancellation from the event. This also includes unsportsmanlike behavior, excessive profanity, sexually explicit, violent, unethical, intoxicated, under the influence, questionable character or anything deemed inappropriate by the event staff and the venue.