

ChampCar 2026 BCCR – Change Log

This document is a reference sheet for the ChampCar 2026 BCCR rule book. It highlights only the sections that were changed for 2026, as indicated by red underlines in the official document. This is not a replacement for the full rule book, which remains the governing authority. Members are strongly encouraged to read the complete 2026 BCCR for full details and context.

Editorial Note:

The 2026 ChampCar BCCR has been carefully reviewed for spelling and grammar corrections. While formatting and readability improvements were made, the definitions, requirements, and intent of the rules themselves have not been changed.

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1. Governing Rules & Event Structure

- 1.2.3.1. The naming of teams for entry into ChampCar events is open to anything the team chooses, but may not include obscene, indecent, or profane language. If it can't be said around small children, it can't be used in your team name.

1.4. Winners and Awards

- 1.4.4.2. Credits are issued to the overall winners in specified amounts.

3. Safety Systems

- 3.16.1. Tow decals are available at Tech Inspection at no cost.

4. Vehicle Value

- 4.3.2. Oil accumulator (e.g. – Accusump): 0 pts

4.8. Tire Specifications (See update below v.1.1)

- 4.8.1. All tires must be DOT-rated
- 4.8.2. All tires must have a minimum tread depth of 7/32" or greater when new
- 4.8.3. All tires must be of a treadwear of 250 or higher, unless they are one of the following tires:
 - Continental Extreme Contact Force
 - Yokohama Advan Neova AD09
 - Hankook Ventus RS4
 - Maxxis Victra VR-1
 - BFGoodrich g-Force Rival
 - Falken Azenis RT615K+
 - Kenda Vezda UHP MAX KR20A
 - X Comp H/P
 - Valino VR08GP
 - Kumho Ecsta V730

- BFGoodrich g-Force Rival+
- Goodyear Eagle F1 Supercar 3

5.6. Day Two Handicap

- 5.6.2. Leaders who sandbag (drive intentionally slower) at the end of the race on Day 1 to reduce their Day 2 handicap will get a handicap lap added to their margin of victory that existed prior to the start of their sandbagging. Additionally, should the second-place car break or sandbag to force a larger handicap on the winning car, the handicap will be equal to the margin before the 2nd place car broke or slowed down.

8.4. Red Flag Condition

- If the car was in the paddock prior to the red-flag condition, teams are free to continue working.

9.7. Car Numbers, Class Designation, and Visibility

- 9.7.5.2. Electroluminescent numbers panels made in the same size and color scheme as standard panels are allowed.

9.16. Mirrors

- 9.16.1. All cars must have at least one interior mirror, one driver's-side mirror (or camera), and one passenger-side mirror (or camera).

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- This page has been added back to the BCCR.

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2.4. Driver and Crew Eligibility and Licensing

- 2.4.4. Drivers under 18 years of age may compete if all the following conditions are met:
 - 2.4.4.1. Contact the Club CEO with your request to drive in an event. Provide detailed records of your driving experience. CEO approval must be secured before anyone under 18 can drive in a CCES event.
 - 2.4.4.2. The minor driver's parent or legal guardian must be present at the event. A legal guardian must present a copy of his or her court-ordered status as a legal guardian.
 - 2.4.4.3. The minor driver's parent or legal guardian must sign a "waiver of liability" form on behalf of their child competing in the event (form available from ChampCar).
 - 2.4.4.4. The parent or legal guardian must be present at all times the minor is on track, including the driving surface and the "hot pit."
 - 2.4.4.5. The Event Director may limit the number of minor drivers allowed to compete at any event.
 - 2.4.4.6. Any contact that a minor driver is involved in will be reviewed by the CEO and may result in driving privileges being lost until the age of 18.

4.8. Tire Specifications

- 4.8.3. All tires must be of a treadwear of 250 or higher, unless they are one of the tires listed below:
 - Removed from approved list - Goodyear Eagle F1 Supercar 3

4.5 Engine Swap

- 4.5.2.5. All engine swaps that result in the same or a reduction of horsepower will be charged a flat 50 point fee.

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1.5. NATIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP

1.5.1.1. To qualify for the National Championship, a ChampCar team must:

A. Finish in the top 75 in points for the previous season.

B. Teams must compete in at least three (3) event weekends.

1.5.2. The winner of the National Championship:

A. All qualified teams carry their top three (3) season finish points into the Championship, which will be used for seeding purposes.

1.7. REGIONAL CHAMPIONSHIP POINTS SYSTEM

1.7.1. ChampCar will recognize four (4) Regional Championships. Events count toward the region in which they are held:

1.7.1.1. **South Region:** Road Atlanta, Daytona International Speedway, Sebring (Summer), Sebring (Fall), Atlanta Motorsports Park (AMP)

1.7.1.2. **Texas Region:** G2 Motorsports Park, Harris Hill (Spring), Harris Hill (Fall), Ozarks International Raceway, Circuit of the Americas (COTA)

1.7.1.3. **East Region:** Dominion Raceway, Watkins Glen International, Lime Rock Park, Virginia International Raceway (VIR), Pocono Raceway

1.7.1.4. **Midwest Region:** Gingerman Raceway, Autobahn Country Club, Mid-Ohio Sports Car Course, Road America, Ozarks International Raceway

1.7.2. Eligibility Requirements

A team must enter a minimum of three (3) event weekends within a single region with the same car to qualify for that region's championship.

1.7.3. Race Count

Each race is scored individually. A double-enduro weekend counts as two (2) race results.

1.7.4. Championship Announcement

Regional Champions will be determined and announced at the conclusion of the final race within that region. Attendance is not required to win.

1.7.5. Scoring of Results

Only the team's three (3) highest finishing results in that region will be scored. (Teams may compete in more than three races to improve their scoring total.)

1.7.6. Determining the Champion

The Regional Champion will be the team with the lowest total points from their best three (3) race finishes.

1.7.7. Tie-Breaker Procedure

In the event of a tie on points:

The team with the higher finishing position in any race where the tied teams competed head-to-head will be declared the winner.

If still tied, the 4th-best finish will be compared, then the 5th, and so on, until the tie is resolved.

1.7.8. Scoring Method & Dual Championship Eligibility

Regional Championship points are awarded using the same system as the National

Championship (1 point for 1st, 2 points for 2nd, 3 points for 3rd, etc.).

Teams may earn points toward both the National and Regional Championships simultaneously.

No separate registration or forms are required—eligible participation automatically counts toward Regional scoring.

4.3. Fixed Points

- Oil accumulator (e.g. – Accusump™): 0 pts **(Canton Racing Products Trademark added to Accusump name)**

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- **4.3.2 Changed**

Transmission / Transaxle swap: ~~0-25pts for any transmission/transaxle from a vehicle on the VPI list, includes adapters~~

Any transmission on the VPI list that requires an adapter: 25-Points

- **4.7.2 Added**

Transmission swap – Any transmission can be used for free as long as it comes from a vehicle on the VPI list, is bolted to the vehicle's OE engine, is of the same design (manual to manual), uses the same number of gears (5-speed for 5-speed), and no adaptors are required for it to bolt to the engine.

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3.2.13 – Removed

3.2.14, 3.2.15, 3.2.16 renumbered

3.2.13. No waivers or “repair by next event” allowances will be granted on any roll-cage issue. Make sure it's 100% right the first time.

3.13.2. Helmet Inspection and Annual Helmet Decal

3.13.2.1. All drivers must present their helmet for inspection prior to on-track activity. Only the helmet is subject to inspection. Upon successful inspection, a ChampCar helmet identification decal will be issued. The decal is valid for the current racing year and must be affixed to the left side of the helmet, clearly visible to pit-out personnel. Decals may not be transferred between helmets. A dedicated helmet inspection station will be available on Fridays. On Saturday and Sunday, helmet inspections for late arrivals will be conducted at registration. Any driver arriving at pit out without a valid helmet identification decal will be sent back to their pit until their helmet has been inspected and stickered. Helmet compliance determinations made by ChampCar Officials are final.

4.8. TIRE SPECIFICATIONS FOR ALL CLASSES

4.8.1. All tires must be DOT-rated

4.8.2. All tires must have a minimum tread depth of 7/32" or greater when new. All tires must have

been originally manufactured with a minimum tread depth of 7/32 inch or greater when new. Tires originally molded with less than 7/32 inch of tread depth are prohibited, regardless of the current measured tread depth or wear.

4.8.3. All tires must have a UTQG treadwear rating of 250 or higher, unless specifically listed on the ChampCar Approved Tire List.

- BFGoodrich g-Force Rival
- BFGoodrich g-Force Rival+
- Continental Extreme Contact Force
- Falken Azensis RT615K+
- Hankook Ventus RS4
- Kenda Vezda UHP MAX KR20A
- Kumho Ecsta V730
- Maxxis Victra VR-1
- Valino VR08GP
- X Comp H/P
- Yokohama Advan Neova AD09

4.8.4. The ChampCar Approved Tire List is maintained and published by ChampCar and is the sole authority for tire eligibility.

4.8.5. Approved Tire List Updates

4.8.5.1. The Approved Tire List will be reviewed and updated on a quarterly basis.

4.8.5.2. Any new tire additions to the Approved Tire List will be announced and published by ChampCar and will take effect immediately upon publication.

4.8.5.3. Any tire removals from the Approved Tire List will be announced no later than September 1 of the current calendar year.

4.8.5.4. Tire removals will take effect on January 1 of the following calendar year.

4.8.6. Tire Size and Fender Coverage

4.8.6.1. While tire size is open, tires may not extend beyond the coverage of the fenders from the 10 o'clock to 2 o'clock positions. Fenders may be stretched or rolled to cover wider tires, and flares may be added. Any additional materials used to enlarge the fenders will be assessed points at the material rate as outlined in Section 4.3.2.

4.8.7. Technical Inspection and Compliance

4.8.7.1. All cars on track at a ChampCar event must be equipped with approved and compliant tires.

4.8.7.2. Any car presented for technical inspection with non-approved or non-compliant tires will fail technical inspection and will not be allowed on track until compliant tires are installed.

4.8.7.3 ChampCar officials may inspect tires at any time before, during, or after an event. All tire eligibility determinations are final.

4.8.8. Penalties and Enforcement

4.8.8.1. Any car found to be using non-approved or non-compliant tires during an event or after competition will be disqualified from the event.

4.8.8.2. A car disqualified for a tire violation will also forfeit its annual technical inspection.

4.8.8.3. Loss of annual technical inspection requires the car to undergo full re-inspection at a future ChampCar event prior to returning to competition.

4.8.8.4. Penalties related to tire violations may not be protested.

4.8.9. Competitor Responsibility

4.8.9.1. It is the sole responsibility of the competitor to ensure tire compliance.

4.8.9.2. Claims of ignorance, supplier error, manufacturer changes, or lack of notice will not be accepted as justification for non-compliance.

4.8.9.3. Teams are strongly encouraged to verify tire eligibility prior to purchase, installation, and competition.