Indy Region Solo II Annual Tech Program: Phil Wehman

The Solo II Annual Tech Program, which was introduced mid-season last year, will be continued in 2006. We will begin issuing Annual Tech sticker at the Test and Tune on April 2.

For those interested (and we hope you are), here's the scoop:

PURPOSE:
To provide a convenience for trusted regular competitors by helping reduce the amount of pre-event preparation time and reduce the time required for inspections.

ELIGIBILITY:
You must be a current SCCA member of any region and fall into one of the 3 following categories.

1. You must have competed in four (4) verifiable SCCA Solo II events in the current or previous year.
2. All Indy Region Solo Committee members and any solo chiefs in the region are eligible. These members spend a large part of their morning preparing equipment and helping other members for the day and will be granted annual tech inspection regardless of how many events they ran the season before. The only other members/cars that will be eligible for annual tech are people directly approved by the solo committee, and solo chairperson. They may include registration, set-up and tech workers.
3. Any member presenting a road race car with a current logbook with annual tech completed.

COST:
Annual Tech fees will be waived in 2006.

ANNUAL TECH PROCESS:
Annual Tech inspections will be available during the first 4 solo and/or Test and Tune events. The inspections will take place prior to, or directly after, the regular solo event and must be scheduled in advance by appointment with the Chief of Tech. The amount of inspections may be limited. The Chief of Tech may schedule a special annual inspection at his/her discretion to perform the inspections.

What to bring: You must bring your car, helmet(s), and all safety gear (for kart drivers). The car must be in full race trim with numbers and class letters on the car and on the primary wheel and tire combination (dry). You must also have a current copy of the SCCA rulebook with your name on it, OR, a personalized copy of section 3.3. People not able to present all of the above will not be granted annual tech. Keep in mind that if the car normally has two drivers, the second driver's helmet and safety equipment must be present as well.

The annual tech procedure will be performed by the Chief of Tech or designee. You must be present when we are performing the procedure. The process may take longer than a regular tech

inspection as we are checking the car more thoroughly. If any infraction is found, the car will be denied its annual tech until the infraction is fixed.

Issued Credentials:

1. Annual Tech Sticker: The car will be given an annual tech inspection sticker, which is distinct from the event-to-event stickers. This sticker is to be to be placed on the left side of your windshield or car body panel in a conspicuous location so it will be visible to grid workers and Solo Safety Stewards.
2. Helmet Sticker: You will be given on Annual helmet inspection sticker to be placed on the lower left side of your helmet so it may be visible to grid workers and Solo Safety Stewards.
3. Your registration/tech card will be marked to indicate that you have been annually inspected.

Modifications / Alterations: Significant modification to the car or if a car changes to a more prepared class after Annual Tech is granted will require the car to be re-inspected.

Surprise Inspections: The Chief of Tech has the right to ask for re-inspection at any time of an Annual tech'd car.

ON OR OFF TRACK INCIDENTS:
Any car subject to obvious mechanical damage or failure due to an on or off track incident after Annual Tech must be re-inspected.

RESPONSIBILITY:
Each member is responsible for having a safe and legal car. Car classification and legality is not brought up in any technical inspection process. Each competitor is responsible for being in the correct class and having legal modifications. Each annual tech inspected member is responsible for having their car meet the safety rules in section 3.3 of the rulebook at all events.

REVOCATION:
The Annual Tech is a privilege and may be revoked at any time from a specific member or the entire group as a whole. Grounds for Annual Tech revocation can be, but are not limited to: violation of the safety rules, and failure to report for work assignments.

OTHER ELIGIBLE REGIONS:
At this time, no other SCCA regions are required to recognize our annual tech program.

QUESTIONS:
If you have any questions, comments or concerns on this procedure please contact the Solo Technical Inspection Chief.

2005 SEASON CONTACT:
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