

Midwest Division SCCA

RoadRacing

THE MIDAM CHAMPIONSHIP

Regulations - 2022

This series shall comprise the top level of RoadRacing within the Midwest Division. It is intended as analogous to, and a continuation of, what was National Racing in MiDiv, as well as incorporating classes and features of the original MidAm Championship for MiDiv Regional Racing in and prior to 2013. It shall determine annually the Midwest Division RoadRacing Champions in all GCR classes plus any additional classes provided for herein. It also shall provide MiDiv drivers a path to the annual SCCA National Championship Runoffs for those classes eligible to participate in the Runoffs.

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1. DEFINITION

1.1 Championship Series

This series shall hereafter be designated as the MidAm Championship. References herein to "MidAm" or "championship" or "series" shall refer specifically to the MidAm Championship as constituted herein.

1.2 Runoffs Qualification, Divisional Path

A driver may qualify for a Runoffs invitation through this Divisional Championship only in the specific classes designated by SCCA as National Championship classes. The three highest-placed MidAm drivers in each class as of the cutoff date established annually by SCCA RoadRacing* prior to the Runoffs will qualify, except in Spec Miata and Spec Racer Ford 3 for which the five highest-placed drivers will qualify, providing they have met the parameters set out in section *5.4.b* of these rules.

(* *The 2022 cutoff is September 11, 2022.*)

1.3 Components of the Series

The series will comprise all scheduled Super Tour, Majors and Regional races held in the Midwest Division beginning with the first race held following the National Championship Runoffs and ending with the last race held as of the Runoffs qualifier cutoff date, except any specifically designated as not included in the championship. This provides for a championship potentially beginning in October and ending in August or September. All classes listed in GCR plus those additional classes below are eligible. Super Tour races will not necessarily provide races for all classes.

1.4 Additional Classes

The series also shall provide championships in the following classes:

a. (*No additional classes are currently provided*).

All MidAm Championship Races (including Majors but not necessarily including Super Tours) must provide competition for these classes as well as for all other GCR-listed classes which are not eligible for Majors or the Runoffs.

1.5 Participation Level for Additional Classes

All classes listed in 1.4 above shall retain their Championship status as long as they achieve, in each season, a minimum of three drivers scoring points in the class. A class failing to meet this minimum will be on probation for two years. If in either of those two years it meets the minimum, its probation shall end. A class unable to meet the minimums in that time shall be removed from MiDiv RoadRacing eligibility. A class newly added will have three years to meet the minimums.

Drivers should be apprised that in most cases in which a car does not seem to fit within established classes, the Super Production, Formula S, A Sports Racing or Improved Touring E classes will usually provide a place to race.

1.6 Formula First Tires

Competitors in the Formula First class may use any of the Tire Options specified in GCR for Formula First. Tires on all four corners of the car must comply with specifications of a single Tire Option. Mixing of the options is not permitted.

1.7 Reclassification of a car

In the event any make or model of a car is moved to a different racing class during the championship season, that car must compete in the new class as of the effective date of the reclassification. Any points earned prior to such reclassification must remain with the original class and will not be rescored to the new class.

2. DRIVER ELIGIBILITY

2.1 Membership Required

Only SCCA members whose Region of Record is one of the Regions in the Midwest Division are eligible.

2.2 License Requirement

SCCA members who have a current Full Competition License, Pro Racing Competition License, Vintage Competition License or a signed-off Novice Permit will be eligible to compete in the series.

3. RACES

3.1 Designation

All Midwest Division Majors (including Super Tours) and Regional races will be MidAm series races unless the organizing Region specifically exempts its event from the series. Majors may not be exempted.

3.2 Race Length

Series races will be scheduled for at least 25 miles or at least 20 minutes duration, but may be longer. Endurance races are not contemplated in this series. Series races which are also included in Majors Conference competition will adhere to current GCR requirements.

3.3 Interrupted Races

If a race is terminated before the overall leader has run the scheduled distance or time, it will be determined a complete race and series points will be awarded only if it has completed at least half the intended duration, rounded down to the next whole number.

3.4 Entry Forms

Each race entry form should bear the wording, either on the entry blank itself or within its supplementary regulations, that the race is “an event of the Midwest Division’s MidAm Championship.”

3.5 Regional Obligation

Regions scheduling a race bind themselves to prompt furnishing of results formatted in accordance with GCR, and prompt remittance of Trophy Fund fees. Results should be sent to the Pointskeeper within 48 hours. Trophy Fund fees should be remitted within seven days of receipt of an invoice from the Pointskeeper.

3.6 Multiple-driver races

Races providing for driver changes during the race shall not be permitted in the series.

4. SCHEDULE

4.1 Series calendar

The series calendar will be coordinated through the Midwest Division Scheduling Representative, who may establish scheduling parameters and policies. It is encouraged that a preliminary schedule be announced prior to the Runoffs, which may be subject to change. Races scheduled after the Runoffs qualifying cutoff date and before the start of the Runoffs will not be considered as MidAm Championship events nor as Runoffs qualifying events. No races may be scheduled from the Monday of the start of Runoffs week until the completion of Runoffs.

4.2 Majors

All races sanctioned as Majors or Super Tours within the Midwest Division will be included in the series.

5. SERIES SCORING

5.1 Champions

Class champions will be those drivers having the highest series scores in each class, regardless of whether or not they qualify for

awards or a Runoffs invitation.

5.2 Points

a. All drivers competing in a Super Tour, Majors or a Regional race which is part of the MidAm will be included in the scoring, including any from out-of-division whose results will be reported to their home divisions if their home division credits out-of-division points.

b. Points will be awarded based on the Majors scoring pattern:

1st = 25 pts	8th = 13 pts	15th = 6 pts
2nd = 21 pts	9th = 12 pts	16th = 5 pts
3rd = 18 pts	10th = 11 pts	17th = 4 pts
4th = 17 pts	11th = 10 pts	18th = 3 pts
5th = 16 pts	12th = 9 pts	19th = 2 pt
6th = 15 pts	13th = 8 pts	20th and all other
7th = 14 pts	14th = 7 pts	finishers = 1 pt

5.3 Out-of-Division races

Upon request, the MiDiv Executive Committee may designate specific out-of-division, non-Majors races to be included as part of the MidAm race series, of which a maximum of two may be counted by a driver. Such races will be scored according to Item 5.2.b above, regardless of the scoring system used by the races' home division. Other races not conducted by a Midwest Division Region or race group will not be scored in the Championship.

5.4 Minimum Number of Events

a. To qualify for series awards, a driver must participate in at least two MidAm weekends, one of which must be a non-Super Tour weekend, held at two different venues and hosted by two different MiDiv regions. A driver must be listed as a starter in at least three MidAm races.

b. To qualify for a Runoffs invitation *through the MidAm path*, a driver must be a participant (finisher or DNS) in a minimum of four *Midwest Division* race weekends *occurring between the completion of the Runoffs and two weeks prior to the start of the subsequent Runoffs.*

5.5 Maximum Number of Events

A driver's accumulation of points from his seven highest-scoring races in any one class will be his series score in that class for the year. A maximum of his best two out-of-division races (approved per 5.3 above) may be included in that score.

5.6 Ties for awards

Ties in the final standings for award-winning positions will be resolved based on the drivers' records of first-place finishes, then second place, then third, as needed, considering only the drivers' best seven races. If a tie still remains, it will stand and duplicate awards will be presented. Ties for positions not earning series awards will not be broken.

6. POINTSKEEPER

6.1 Championship Records

The Pointskeeper will record all series event results and will periodically report to the Midwest Division Executive Committee's members and officers, the MiDiv Executive Steward and the Area 6 Director the points earned by all drivers by events and classes. During the season full points standings will be updated on the Midwest Division website (www.midiv.org) after each MidAm race, which will fulfill this requirement.

6.2 Rulebooks

These rules will be posted on the MiDiv website (www.midiv.org) as a document able to be downloaded and printed by anyone interested.

6.3 Administrative Rule Changes

The Pointskeeper is authorized to make administrative rule changes as necessary to correct errors or omissions, or to comply with GCR as corrected by the SCCA RoadRacing Board. The Chair of the Midwest Division Executive Committee and the Chair of the MidAm RoadRace Committee will be notified of any such changes. Any such changes made after publication of the current Regulations must be promulgated to all affected drivers and to all members of the Midwest Division Executive Committee and the MidAm RoadRace Committee.

7. AWARDS

7.1 Championship Awards

Awards will be given to drivers placing first through third in each class.

7.2 Driver of the Year – The John Saucier Award

One driver shall be designated as the Midwest Division Driver of the Year annually, to be awarded a special award to be presented at the annual Midwest Division Convention. The award shall be given in memory of John Saucier, who as of his passing in 2013 held the record for the most National Racing MiDiv Championships, a total of 28 spanning 42 years:

Formula A – 1970-1972
Formula Super Vee – 1972-1974
Formula C – 1975
Showroom Stock A – 1989
Showroom Stock C – 1992-2011

Drivers eligible for the award must have earned a minimum of 100 points in a single class. The recipient will be chosen after the Runoffs by a committee comprising the Midwest Division Executive Steward, the Area 6 Director and the previous recipient who shall be ineligible to succeed himself.

8. FINANCING

8.1 Expenses

The expenses of the series will be financed from the MidAm Trophy Fund administered by the Pointskeeper.

8.2 Trophy Fund

A Trophy Fund fee will be paid for each driver who is listed on a race's official results as a finisher or DNS, in the amount of $10 from a Majors race or $5 from a non-Majors race (including any separate non-Majors race group as part of a Majors weekend). Per GCR, this shall include every driver who has entered the racing surface for any practice, qualifying session or race covered by the event sanction. The fee will be remitted directly to the Pointskeeper by the Region(s) organizing the race within seven days of receipt of an invoice from the Pointskeeper. This fee shall not include any Trophy Fund obligation for special race groups whose entire entry is cars not specifically considered for series points (e.g. vintage or Track Event race groups).

8.3 Accounting

The Pointskeeper will render a complete accounting of the Trophy Fund to the Midwest Division Executive Committee before its annual meeting each year, normally at the Midwest Division Convention, and at any other reasonable time at the request of the Midwest Division Executive Committee chairman.

9. GENERAL

9.1 MidAm Committee

A. The committee shall comprise, as its voting members, one representative from each Midwest Division racing entity, one representative from a non-racing region, and the Midwest Division Scheduler. Non-voting members shall be the Area 6 Director, the Midwest Division Executive Steward and the Midwest Division Pointskeeper.

B. "Racing entity" is defined as any single Midwest Division region or group of regions scheduling a race in the current season or the immediate previous season. Its representative will be designated by the Regional Executive or other presiding officer of the entity. A person designated in Paragraph A as a non-voting member may be named as a voting representative.

C. "Non-racing region" is defined as any Midwest Division region which has not conducted a race within the MidAm Championship in the previous five years. Its representative will be designated annually by the Midwest Division Executive Committee. A person designated in Paragraph A as a non-voting member may be named as the non-racing region voter.

D. With the exception of the Scheduler, no two voting members may be members of the same region or entity.

E. The committee shall choose a chairman and a secretary from among its members, and any other officers as it may deem necessary.

F. The committee shall consider and vote upon all proposed changes to these MidAm Regulations. Any proposal approved shall be recommended to the Midwest Division Executive Committee for final approval.

G. The committee's responsibility extends only to the conduct of the MidAm Championship series, and not to the specific conduct of individual races except as provided herein.

9.2 Rules

In all competition procedures not specifically set forth above, the GCR shall be followed.

9.3 GCR Override

In any of the procedures set out in these regulations, should a current version of SCCA's General Competition Regulations mandate a different procedure, the current GCR mandate shall take precedence.

9.4 Series Not Restrictive

The MidAm Championship series herein provided for is not restrictive of any of the activities and procedures of any SCCA Region and is for the sole purpose of supplementing the established SCCA racing program as well as strengthening and dignifying Midwest Division racing for both competitors and sponsors.

APPENDIX

There are currently no appendices to the MidAm Regulations.

MiDiv RoadRacing Reserved Number Policies

(These are not MidAm rules, but MiDiv policies included here for informational purposes)

1. Midwest Division Reserved Numbers may be established in any of several racing groups, each of which combines a number of different but compatible racing classes. Someone owning a reserved number owns it for all classes within that racing group.
2. Class groupings, for the purpose of reserved number assignments, are based on the current Majors groupings established by the SCCA, with regional-only classes added in as may be approved by the Midwest Division's MidAm RoadRace Committee. These groupings are recommended to individual race organizers but organizers are not required to use them.
3. To be eligible to own a MiDiv Reserved Number, the owner must be a member of a Region within the SCCA's Midwest Division. An Associate Membership satisfies this requirement. It is not required that the owner of a number be a licensed driver. Owners of rental fleets who meet the regional membership requirement may purchase numbers for all their fleet cars.
4. The direct cost of a MiDiv Reserved Number shall be $5, which shall be disbursed to the MiDiv Trophy Fund. Additional amounts may be voted by the Midwest Division Executive Committee for specific other purposes. (Currently an additional $3 has been designated for Midwest Division purposes; total number cost is $8.)
5. Renewals:
   A. Number applications will be mailed to all Midwest Division racing drivers listed within SCCA competition license records as of late November, plus all other number owners of the previous season, approximately Dec. 1 for the following year.
   B. Any owner who has "used" his number at least three times in a Midwest Division race during the prior season will have that number held for two months from the beginning of the renewal period, during which he may renew it at any time.
   C. Any owner who has not "used" his number at least three times in a Midwest Division race during the prior season will have 10 days from the date renewal notices are sent out to effect his renewal.
   D. "Use" of a number means the number has been entered on a car connected to the number's owner, which is listed as a starter, DNF or DNS in a Midwest Division race during the prior season.
6. Any eligible person may contact the Pointskeeper to get a one-week hold on a number of his choice, pending receipt of the application form and fee.
7. Number sales for the year will cease as of September 1. No numbers will be sold, or reserved, from that time until renewal notices are sent out for the following year.
8. Numbers which shall not be issued:
   A. Per GCR, the number "1" is reserved for National Champions. Any eligible National Champion who purchases a regular number but uses "1" in a MiDiv race, will be credited with having used his regular number in order to protect his ownership of that number.
   B. Triple-digit numbers.
   C. The Midwest Division Executive Committee may vote to retire a number which it deems to have become synonymous with a driver, retired or deceased, whose record of competition and sportsmanship is considered to have exemplified the highest standards of SCCA RoadRacing. A retired number will be unavailable for all classes in the race group in which the driver's racing class would be included. (Currently there are no retired numbers.)