

Golden Triangle

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2012 Limited Modified Rules

Yellow –Clarifications made through IMCA and Adopted by GTRP

SAFETY EQUIPMENT: Rules apply at all times car is on track. Snell-rated SA2000, SA2005 or SA2010 helmet required. Roll bar padding required in driver compartment (*Fire retardant recommended*). SFI-approved full fire suit required. Fire retardant gloves, shoes and neck brace (or head and neck restraint) required. Right and left seat head supports required if using head restraint system with no neck collar. *Recommended: Fire retardant head sock and underwear; collapsible steering shaft.* Driver-side window net required, minimum 16 inch by 20 inch ribbon or mesh style, Sprint car net allowed and must be mounted to roll cage so latch is at top front of window. Minimum three inch (two-inch with head restraint system) wide SFI-approved five point safety belt assembly required (Y-type shoulder harness not allowed), must be mounted securely to roll cage, recommended to be no more than two years old. Kill switch required within easy reach of driver and must be clearly marked 'OFF' and 'ON'.

FRAME: 1978-1987 OEM midsize GM metric full frame only. Minimum wheelbase 107-inches, maximum 109-inches, both sides. Frame must be full and complete, cannot be widened, narrowed, shortened, lengthened, or be cut, bent, or altered to change suspension brackets, except upper control arm brackets on front end. All frame bolt holes must remain in OEM location. Front frame horns may be removed in front of steering box. Front frame may be cut for radiator clearance. Frame may be notched for seat clearance. Transmission cross-member mounts may be removed, no further forward than frame welds. Rear of frame, behind upper shock mounts, may be replaced with round, square, or rectangular tubing. No part of frame can be lower than five inches from ground except front cross-member. No other frame alterations allowed. *See drawing for OEM frame dimensions.*

ROLL CAGE: Must consist of continuous hoops, minimum 1.5 inch O.D. tubing, with a minimum wall thickness of .095 inch for main cage. Cages must be steel or chrome-moly. Main cage no further forward than rear of engine and no further back than front edge of rear tire. Four bars, two per side, may extend from main roll cage to main frame points in front of the upper control arms. These bars may have two additional braces per side to the main frame. Six bars may extend from the main cage to the rear. X-bracing is allowed. Driver's head must not protrude outside cage with helmet on. Roll cage must be securely supported and braced with minimum one cross bar in top halo. All bars forward of cage must be lower than hood.

DOOR BARS: Minimum three driver side door bars required, minimum 1.5 inch O.D. and .083 inch wall thickness, must be parallel to ground and perpendicular to driver, and welded to front and rear of roll cage. Minimum two passenger side door bars required, must have at least one cross door bar, horizontal or angled. Steel door plate, 18 gauge or .049- inch.

BODY: [Pay close attention to the measurements] (See diagram) No composite or plastic body panels allowed except roof rock guard and hood scoop. Body must be same width, front to rear, and parallel to OEM frame. Aluminum nose panel must be flat. Maximum 2.250 inch side fins allowed on aluminum nose. MD3 plastic nosepiece, part# 020-410 allowed. All nose panels may be no wider, or lower than two inches outside of front frame horns and remain within 0.5 inch tolerance outside confines of front bumper. Plastic nosepiece must be mounted in an approved manner and can extend no further back than 6 inches from front of hood. Cooling holes allowed. Engine compartment must remain open (no side panels). Hood must be level or sloped down at front, enclosed and flush with interior deck at rear. No reverse hood rake allowed. No panel in front of right door to engine compartment. No inner panels. No car covers. Must have front and rear roof support posts. Driver and passenger side windows must have at least 12 inch opening (height and width). Full size, fiberglass or aluminum roof only (see diagram). No dished roofs allowed. Driver roof hatch allowed. Maximum 1.5 inch rolled down rock guard allowed on roof front. Maximum 4 inch roof sides allowed. Maximum 1 inch ridge down sides of roof. Maximum 1 inch rear roof stiffener (must face down). Window side panels must resemble all aspects of drawing and may not extend ahead of back of seat. **Rear spoiler** (optional) may be minimum 1 inch or maximum 8 inches in material height and maximum 67 inches wide. Spoiler may have stiffener, must be 1 inch or more down from top. Maximum 3 spoiler braces allowed, must be mounted in line. Spoiler braces must resemble all aspects of drawing. Spoiler must be mounted within confines of spoiler braces. Spoiler may be aluminum or lexan. No fins, lips or wings allowed.

Scoring- Car number must be minimum four inches thick and 20 inches tall and clearly visible, on both sides, top and back of car, and front, if possible. *Recommended: Avoid holographic or dark on dark colors for numbers. The best number is the top number outlined in white or black depending on car color.*

DRIVER COMPARTMENT: Must have minimum three windshield bars in front of driver. Lexan or aluminum cowl panel in front of driver can be no wider than cockpit and no further back than steering wheel. Floor pan must be metal or aluminum and cover entire driver compartment. Aluminum high-back seat only, must be securely bolted, using minimum 0.375-inch bolts, to roll cage and support system. Bottom of seat can be no lower than bottom of frame rail. Driver must be sealed off from track, driveline, engine, fuel cell, cannisters and pumps. No oil coolers allowed in driver compartment. No devices that would enable driver adjustment to alter wheelbase or for weight jacking while car is in competition. No mirrors of any kind.

FRONT SUSPENSION: All components must be steel, unaltered OEM, in OEM location, and match frame. No jack bolts allowed. Adjustable spring buckets are allowed. Must use OEM upper and lower A-frames and mounts. OEM upper A-frame may be replaced using aftermarket upper A-frame (steel or aluminum cross shaft allowed), part(s) #91034394 L/R or #910-34393 R/L. Upper A-frame mounts may be modified and moved for caster and camber adjustment, but must remain OEM material. Lower A-frame mounts and bolt holes on frame must be in OEM location, mount may be notched for clearance. All A-frame bushings may be aftermarket, but no offset or bearing type. OEM or OEM replacement ball joints allowed, may be tacked in. Sway bars (optional) and brackets must remain OEM.

STEERING: All components must be steel, unaltered OEM, in OEM location and match frame. No grinding, lightening or welding on any steering parts. Spindle may be reamed and bolt on spindle savers are allowed. Steel steering shafts and knuckles only. Steering quickener (optional), steering wheel and quick release (required) may be aluminum. Power steering pump and reservoir must remain one unit. Driver compartment steering may be modified, must be kept on left side. No rack and pinion. Stock OEM gear box only, may not be moved from original location. Bump Steer cannot be adjusted, no altering of inner or outer tie rod end or sleeves.

SHOCKS: One steel, nonadjustable, unaltered shock per wheel only. Shock must be in OEM mounts and location, using OEM style shock. Mounting spacers and weld or screw-on shock ends allowed. No air or coil-over shocks, remote reservoir shocks, Schrader valves or bladder type valve allowed.

SPRINGS: One steel spring (racing allowed) per wheel only. Minimum 4.5-inches O.D., non-Progressive coils only. No torsion bars or air bags.

REAR SUSPENSION: All control arms and mounts must be steel, unaltered OEM, in OEM location, and match frame. No jack bolts allowed. Adjustable spring buckets allowed, may be dropped as long as they remain in OEM location. **If upper spring cup uses all thread, it must be securely welded to chassis. Lower spring cups must be centered on housing.** Stock OEM Control arms may be reinforced, but cannot be shortened or lengthened, must remain OEM length. All control arm bushings may be aftermarket, but no offset or bearing type. **Bushings cannot be drilled.** No suspension parts may be altered or lightened. No aluminum parts allowed, other than bushings.

REAR END: Must use OEM 7.5-inch GM 10 bolt rear end (bracing optional), must remain stock width. No Ford or floater rear end allowed. Housing end, from control arm mount out, may be modified with 3-inch tubing to accept 9" Ford axle. If Ford axles are used, rearend must remain minimum GM width or maximum 3-inches wider. Steel components only. OEM mounts on lower control arms must remain in OEM location on original 7.5-inch tube housing. Aftermarket axles, mini-spools and C-clip eliminators allowed. Locked rear ends only, no torque dividing differentials allowed. No full or aluminum spools allowed. Pinion angle cannot be changed. Any gear ratio allowed but housing must remain unaltered. **No quick change devices.**

BUMPERS/RUB RAILS: (see diagram) Steel bumpers must be on front and rear at all times and welded, or mounted with minimum 0.375 inch bolts. Two bar front bumper must be **minimum 1.25-inch O.D. tubing with minimum .065-inch wall thickness** (maximum 0.095 inch) mounted frame end to frame end. Rear bumper must be constructed of minimum 1.25-inch tubing, 0.095 wall thickness. Maximum 1.50-inch O.D. tubing, .095-inch wall thickness fuel cell protection bar required, must cover rear and extend past both sides of cell, may be welded to rear bumper. **Rear bumper may be maximum 6-inches beyond rear deck.** All bumpers and rub rails must be capped with no sharp edges. Single bar rub rail from front to rear wheel allowed on each side, no center supports allowed, maximum 1.50-inch O.D. tubing and .095-inch wall thickness, must be mounted to cage at front and rear of rub rail.

TIRES/WHEELS: Must use unaltered Hoosier '500' Race tire, "H" stamped or with IMCA stamped on sidewall. 27 by 8 by 15 or 26.5 by 8 by 15 'stagger tire' allowed. No chemical softening, conditioning of tires. May groove tires. Tires may be ground or siped within confines of tread. Any offset allowed. May use bead lock, on right rear only. External steel bead lock only and it cannot make wheel any narrower than 8-inches and no wider than 8.75-inches. Steel bolts only. Foam type or plastic outer mud cover allowed on right side wheels. Inner mud cover allowed on left rear only. No bleeder valves. Must use minimum 1-inch O.D. steel lug nuts and 0.625-inch studs are recommended. Wheel adapters are treated as spacers and may be aluminum, maximum 1.50-inches thick. No wheel spacers allowed with OEM studs.

BRAKES: Must be steel OEM, operative three wheel, drum or disc. Must maintain minimum OEM dimensions for hubs/rotors and calipers, cannot be lightened. No oil bath hubs. Bolt pattern may be changed. 0.625-inch studs allowed. Single or dual aftermarket master cylinders allowed. Driver adjustable dual pedal brake bias allowed. Additional proportioning valve (in-line type) allowed, must be out of driver reach. Rear rotors may be aftermarket, minimum 0.810-inch thickness, maximum 12-inch O.D. Vented rotors only, no scalloped, ceramic coated, single phase or drilled rotors allowed. Rear caliper brackets must be welded to housing.

EXHAUST: Must use one of following header part numbers: *Recommended: Under Chassis Header.* Schoenfeld - GM #161, #151, #151E, or GM #161CM, #151CM, #151ECM (for crate motor) with 1.625-inch tubes and 3-inch collector. Chrysler: #451, #461. Ford: #351, #361, #562, #562-4B. Dynatech - GM #701-16210, #701-10010. Collector length maximum 9 inches. Turn downs (maximum 10 inches) No header modifications allowed. No exhaust sensors, merge collectors, cross-overs, extensions, inserts or balance tubes. Coated headers allowed

FUEL SYSTEM: Racing fuel cell required, maximum 22 gallon capacity (12 gallon recommended), must be in minimum 20 gauge steel container. Must mount with minimum two solid steel straps around entire cell, two inches wide and 0.125 inch thick, between frame rails and behind rear axle. Fuel cell vents, including cap vent, must have check valves. If fuel cell does not have aircraft style positive seal filler neck/cap system - a flapper, spring or ball type filler rollover valve is required. No part of cell can be lower than protective tubing. No regulators, bypass fuel systems, pressurized, or return lines allowed. One fuel filter allowed. No cool cans. Any air cleaner allowed. No cold air boxes or ducting of any kind between engine and hood. Mechanical OEM type push rod fuel pumps only. Maximum 0.100 inch thick carburetor gaskets on all engines. **ENGINE:** must use approved naturally aspirated, unaltered 500 c.f.m. Holley - part no. 4412. Float bowl must face forward. Any adapter, maximum one inch thick. No throttle bore adjustable carburetor spacers. **GM CRATE ENGINE:** may use any Holley 4 barrel carburetor, all components (float bowls and main body) must be Holley manufactured. Metering blocks and base plate may be billet aluminum non-Holley. No aerosol-style carburetors allowed. May use Speedway Motors part #545-64940 or Moroso part #64940 carburetor spacer on crate.

FUEL: Gasoline only. Racing fuel allowed. No E85. No performance enhancing additives or scented additives. Fuel must pass both dielectric meter and chemical tests. Fuel sample may be taken from any car at any time (Refer to www.imca.com for automatic penalties).

WEIGHT: Minimum weight limit of 2,350 pounds after race with driver in car. **Weights must not be used in driver compartment or outside body.** All weights must be securely mounted with at least two, ½ -inch bolts, painted white with car number on it. **No titanium, magnesium, stainless steel or carbon fiber components. Solid steel fasteners only.**

BATTERY/STARTER: One 12-volt battery only. Must be shielded and securely mounted. Aftermarket starter allowed, must bolt in OEM location. Must have capability of starting without being pushed or pulled. Must leave initial staging area on demand, unaided, or go to rear of that race.

GAUGES/ELECTRONICS: No unapproved cameras, transmitting or listening devices (exception is one-way RACEceiver radio by officials), timing retard controls, or digital gauges (including tach). No electronic monitoring computer devices capable of storing or transmitting information except memory recall analog tach. 12 volt ignition system and OEM HEI style ignitions only. Ford/Chrysler may use HEI distributor. No crank triggers. Any module that fits inside distributor with no alteration allowed. Crate engine MUST use original HEI distributor with MSD #8728 rev-control and 6,200 rpm chip. Claim engine MAY use MSD #8728 rev-control with any rpm chip. Rev-control must be out of reach of driver, but accessible for inspection **with rev limiter facing upward** . No ignition boxes, remote coil or accessories. All wiring must be visible for inspection. OEM type alternator with internal regulator allowed. No electronic traction control devices

TRANSMISSION/DRIVE SHAFT: Only OEM production transmissions allowed. No aftermarket transmissions allowed. No 'in and out' boxes or quick change devices allowed. With engine running and car in a still position, must be able to engage car in gear and move forward, then backward. Functioning shift levers must be in OEM location. Transmission fluid coolers allowed. Flywheel, flexplate and converter must be steel.

Automatic: Any OEM automatic transmission allowed. Must use functioning, minimum 10-inch diameter steel torque converter. No direct drives, couplers, valved pumps, or bleeder style valve bodies. Must have at least one forward gear and reverse gear, gears must function. Must have an approved scattershield constructed of .125-inch by three-inch steel, 270 degrees around top of flexplate. GM automatic must be used with GM engine, may be used with Ford or Chrysler engine. Stall converters allowed. Steel OEM style flexplate only, must be bolted directly to end of crankshaft.

Manual: 3, 4 or 5 speed OEM manual transmissions only. All gears must function. Must have functioning 10.5-inch minimum diameter clutch and pressure plate bolted directly to steel flywheel. These components must rotate, consistent with engine rpm, while car is in any gear. Must use explosion-proof steel bellhousing 180 degrees around top of clutch and flywheel. No mini-clutches or couplers. Minimum 9-inch diameter Ford clutch allowed. Hydraulic slave cylinder/throw out bearing allowed.

Drive Shaft: Minimum 2-inch diameter, white, steel drive shaft only. Steel slip-yokes only. 360-degree drive shaft loop required, constructed of at least 0.125-inch by 2-inch steel, or 1-inch tubing, mounted 6-inches back from front U-joint.

ENGINE COMPARTMENT: Rear of engine (bellhousing flange) must be mounted at least 70-inches forward from centerline of rear axle. Minimum 11-inch engine height from ground to center of crankshaft. One radiator allowed, steel or aluminum, 27-inches by 19-inches maximum in size, must be mounted in front of engine. Racing cap and electric fans allowed. No sprinklers. Power steering pump and reservoir must remain one unit and mount in front of engine. Side engine mounts only (OEM or 45-degree style) must be steel, aluminum mid-plate allowed. No vacuum pumps or pan evac systems.

ENGINE OPTIONS AND SPECIFICATIONS:

(A) CRATE ENGINE: Must use unaltered sealed GM #88958602 or #19258602 crate engine. Upon inspection, any different, altered or missing GM seal bolts will result in disqualification, GM seal bolt exception is IMCA approved and issued cable-lock rebuild system, and oil pan may be replaced by IMCA certified builder with Kevko pan #1090NRHw/ISP and Kevko pick-up #1003-3/4.

(B) CLAIM ENGINE: All engines must be able to be used in conventional passenger car without alterations. External engine casting and threaded holes cannot be altered. No aluminum, titanium or carbon fiber components allowed.

BLOCK: OEM steel passenger vehicle production block only. No GM bowtie, Ford SVO or Chrysler W-2 components allowed. GM approved blocks are: 283, 302, 305, 307, 327, 350. Ford: 260, 289, 302, 351. Chrysler: 273, 318, 340, 360, no hemis. Maximum cubic inch limits: **GM 364, Ford 363**, Chrysler 370, no tolerance. Violation of cubic inch limit must be verified by removal of head and will result in disqualification, No 400 or larger cubic inch parts allowed. Any flat top or dished pistons allowed, no gas ported pistons. 3.48-inch maximum GM stroke. Maximum 180 lbs. per cylinder compression, (2013 Rule: 175 lbs.) zero tolerance. Compression checked with one spark plug removed, turned five engine compression revolutions. Engines may be balanced and block decked. Oil filter system must remain OEM.

'Wet' sump oiling system only. No accumulators. OEM or OEM replacement steel crankshaft only - cannot be lightened. No aerowing, bullnose, knife edge, undercut or drilling of second or third rod throws allowed. OEM or OEM replacement steel rods only - GM must use maximum 5.7-inch rod. No cap screws. No splayed main caps. Floating wrist pins allowed. Racing oil pans allowed. Recommended one inch inspection hole in all pans. - no obstructions to crank and rods. Pan removal required if no inspection hole and at the discretion of the track. Engine bolts may be aftermarket. Fluid dampener balancer allowed. No roller bearings allowed.

CYLINDER HEADS: Steel only. GM OEM approved head numbers are (last 3 digits): 126, 185, 336, 441, 445, 487, 487X, 493, 598, 624, 862, 882, 920, 993, 997, with valve no larger than 1.94-inch intake and 1.50-inch exhaust. May use Engine Quest (EQ) Stock Replacement (SR) cylinder head, part number CH350I, head must remain as produced, seat angles and valve sizes can not be changed: three angle valve job only (absolutely no casting removal in valve pocket of EQ head, for any reason). No porting, polishing, or unapproved alterations to ANY cylinder head. Any cast iron OEM Ford and Chrysler heads allowed with valves no larger than 2.04-inch intake and 1.70-inch exhaust. Headers must bolt directly to heads with correct numbers. No

vortec, bowtie, SVO, W-2 or aftermarket heads allowed. Flat milling allowed. Guide plates, screw-in shouldered studs (0.375- inch max) and polylocks allowed. No stud girdles.

Steel roller tip rocker arms allowed. Chrysler may use OEM rocker arm bars. Any length push rods allowed. OEM diameter springs (GM - 1.250 inch maximum O.D.) must match heads, no beehive valve springs allowed. No Jessel or other assemblies allowed. No O-Ring Blocks or Heads, No Bresinski or similar style heads.

INTAKE: Unaltered, approved OEM cast iron low rise, two- or four-barrel. Only unaltered (no porting or polishing) aftermarket aluminum intakes allowed are: Weiland GM #7547, #7547-1; Ford #7515, #8023 or #7516; Chrysler #7545; Edelbrock GM #2701; Ford #7121, #7181, #7183; **Chrysler #2915**. Cooling lines allowed on aluminum intakes. Disqualification if any alterations are found to heads/intake. Ford may use OEM aluminum intake, no under air or hi-rise. Belt driven, OEM style water pumps only, no aluminum water pumps on GM engine.

CAMSHAFT:

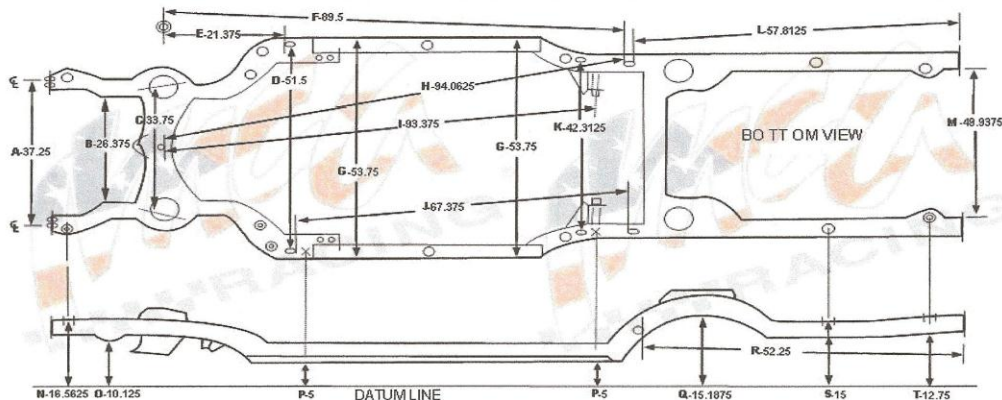
Option 1: OEM firing order cannot be changed (GM: 1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2). No maximum cam lift. **No vacuum rule**. Hydraulic lift cams only. Up to four bronze bushings will be allowed in lifter bore for repair. Hydraulic lifters, Anti-pump up lifters, no solid lifters. Must be chain driven, no gear/belt drives.

Option 2: Conventional flat tappet cam and lifters. Cannot alter lifter bores. OEM firing order cannot be changed (GM: 1-8-4-3-6-5-7-2). No maximum cam lift. No vacuum rule. Must be chain driven, no gear/belt drive.

Track reserves the option to increase car weight if the camshaft option 2 is found to give an unfair advantage

EIRI: (Except in rare instances) Decisions of officials are final and binding without exception

2012 GM Midsize '78-'87 Frame Dimensions



- Dimensions are to either the top or bottom surface of the frame rail as indicated.

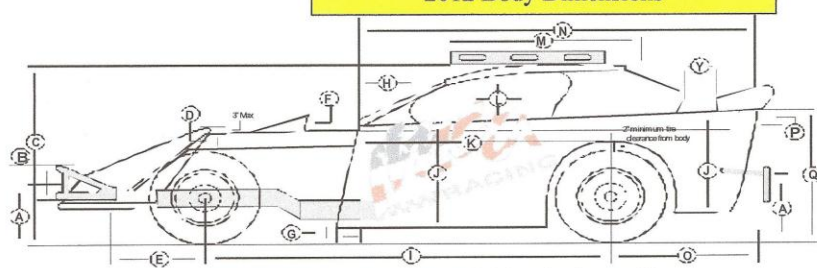
- All dimensions must be within 0.250-inch tolerance. Exceptions are variances officiate verify as crash damage.

- A. 37.25 - inches from center to center of bumper cylinder lower flange mounting holes.
- B. 26.375 - inches between side rails at lower steering gear bolt area, to idler arm mounting area.
- C. 33.750 - inches between upper control arm mounting brackets at front shim area.
- D. 51.5 - inches from inside edge of slotted hole, to inside edge of slotted hole. Front firewall can be located no further back than rear edge of this hole.
- E. 21.375 - inches from center of lower ball joint grease fitting to front edge of slotted hole.
- F. 89.5 - inches from center of lower ball joint grease fitting, to front edge of rear slotted hole.

- G. 53.750 - inches from outside edge of frame rail to outside edge of frame rail.
- H. 94.0625 - inches from rear edge of crossmember hole, to front edge of rear slotted hole.
- I. 93.375 - inches from rear edge of front crossmember hole, to center of rear to rque arm mounting pin.
- J. 67.375 - inches from rear edge of slotted hole, to front edge of rear slotted hole.
- K. 42.3125 - inches from inside edge of slotted hole, to inside edge of slotted hole.
- L. 57.8125 - inches from rear edge of slotted hole, to lower outer flange edge of side rail.
- M. 49.9375 - inches between lower side surfaces of rear side rails.

- N. 16.5625 - inches from top of side rail alongside radiator support mount, to datum line.
- O. 10.125 - inches from lowest surface of side rail at sway bar mounting area, to datum line.
- P. Locations for measuring ride height. Dimensions N, O, Q, S and T should be measured at 5 inch ride height. Front, 5 inches below bottom surface of side rail just rear of slotted hole; Rear, 5 inches below bottom surface of side rail alongside front slotted hole.
- Q. 15.1875
- R. 52.250 - inches from rear edge of flanged tie down hole to lower flange edge of side rail.
- S. 15 - inches from top surface of side rail.
- T. 12.750 - inches from bottom surface of side rail.

2012 Body Dimensions



- A. 23" max. 16" min. (ground to center of bumpers, front and rear)
- B. -6.5" min. (center to center)
- C. 58" max. 42" min.
- D. Hood 5" max. drop (sides), sealed off from driver's compartment and max. 3" rake.
- E. 42" max.
- F. 6" max.
- G. 5" min. to frame rails. Door may be extended maximum 6" past block at bottom on both sides.
- H. 19" max., must be same on both sides.
- I. 105" max. 107" min.
- J. 31" max. 22" min.
- K. 67" min., or not past back of block at top.
- L. 18" max. 12" min. opening, both sides.
- M. With level, must have no more than 2" clearance at rear of roof and 5" at top front.
- N. 121" max. 98" min.
- O. 48" max. 31" min.
- P. Interior slope is 6" max. front to rear and flat across. If flat at front half of interior you have used up 50% of your 6" so from behind driver to rear you may only have 3". Top of interior must be flush with top of doors and quarters. Optional escape hatch from driver to passenger door allowed.
- Q. 41" max. 28" min.
- R. Max. no wider or lower than front frame horns, min. 24" nose must flat and flush with sides.
- S. 67" max. 24" min., must cover radiator.
- T. 53" max. 32" min.
- U. 53" max. 32" min.
- V. 67" max. 55" min., measured at top of interior deck, must be same front to back.
- W. 43" max. 24" min.
- X. IMCA decal required on car.
- Y. 3" min.

