

# *The Great American Solo Series (GASS)*

## **2008 Official Rules**

The following rules govern the activities associated with the Great American Solo Series Organization.

### **SERIES BULLETIN**

1. The Great American Solo Series (GASS) Bulletin will be published periodically in hardcopy and on the GASS website during the season, and sent to all currently active GASS event competitors, sponsors, and any Sports Car Club of America (SCCA) member (upon request). The GASS Bulletin will contain the following:
  - Advertising for Series Sponsors,
  - Flyers for upcoming Events and Series Banquet,
  - Schedule for Solo Events within the SCCA Central Division (CenDiv) and Great Lakes Division (GLDiv) area,
  - Points of Contact for the following:
    - National SCCA Solo Administrators,      - GASS Sanctioning Body (Committee),
    - CenDiv and GLDiv Solo Administrators, - SCCA Regions/Clubs Solo Administrators.
  - GASS Event Articles and Event Results,
  - Series Points Standings for all competitors eligible for GASS Championship Awards,
  - General and special interest articles and announcements (editorial license applies),
  - Advertising with the following fee structure:
    - Flyers and Entry Forms:
      - GASS-Sanctioned Events.....Free,
      - Other Events.....\$25/Page/Issue.
    - Classified Ads (non-commercial): .....\$5/Two (2) Issues.
    - Commercial Ads:
      - Business Card.....\$10/Issue, \$75/Year,
      - ½ Page.....\$35/Issue, \$250/Year,
      - Full Page .....\$50/Issue, \$400/Year,
      - Two Page Spread.....\$75/Issue, \$600/Year.

All fees for advertising are due upon ad placement.  
Make checks payable to “*Great American Solo Series*” and submit to the Bulletin Editor.

### **EVENTS**

2. Event organizers must submit a completed GASS Event Bid form before being considered for a GASS event. Bid forms may be obtained from the GASS Region Liaison or from the GASS Website and completed forms should be returned to the Region Liaison.
3. All Series events must be endorsed by the GASS Organization (Committee).
4. All Series events must adhere to the current SCCA Solo Rules, GASS Committee directives, and these Rules. It is strongly recommended that Series events be structured per SCCA Divisional or National Championship procedures.
5. Event organizers must forward official results containing the following information for each entrant to the GASS Region Liaison within seven (7) days after the event:
  - Entrant’s Full Name, Address, and Phone Number;      - Results of any Protests;
  - Car Class & Number, Make, Model, and Color;      - Raw Times with Penalties for Each Run;
  - Entrant’s Membership Number with Expiration Date and SCCA Region/Club of Record.

It is preferred that the information described above be provided the day of the event if possible. If a computer is used for registration and/or event results, then a floppy disk or CD and a hard copy printout is preferred. Results will be published in the GASS Bulletin, which will be delivered to all entrants; so the event organizers do not need to publish or distribute results.
6. Event organizers must also send an Event Summary Article (preferably via e-mail) to the GASS Region Liaison within seven (7) days after their event. This article will be published in the GASS Bulletin.



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## 2008 Official Rules (Cont'd)

### SERIES POINTS & AWARDS

- The Great American Solo Series (GASS) will be comprised of typically 6 to 8 Solo events per year. This number will be set before the beginning of the competition season, but may be subject to change due to circumstances beyond the GASS Committee's control (eg. loss of an event site).
- GASS Series Points and Championship Awards will be awarded as follows:

$$\text{Points/Event} = 100 - (900 \times \left( \frac{\text{Entrant's Time} - \text{Class Winning Time}}{\text{Class Winning Time}} \right))$$

DNF ..... = 20 Points,  
 DNS (one day of a two-day event) ..... = 10 Points,  
 DNS (one-day event) or DSQ ..... = 0 Points.

- Competitors who complete at least one timed run on each day of an event will receive a minimum of 20 points.
- Competitors must compete in the number of GASS events indicated in the following table in the same Car Class to qualify for Series Awards. Only one Award will be given to competitors who qualify in more than one Car Class. Competitors' best GASS event finishes will be used to compute Series Points in each Car Class based on the table below. The score for each event used for Series Points will be rounded to the nearest whole point. Maximum score for non-winners is 99 points.

<u>Total Number of Events in Series</u>	<u>Number of Events to Qualify</u>	<u>Number of Events Used</u>
4	2	3
5	3	3
6	3	4
7	3	4
8	3	5
9	3	5

- Class Series Points ties in award positions will be resolved by using a cumulative normalized ranking based on PAX/RTP Indexed results for each best GASS event finishes. Lowest "P" wins contested position and number of total awards in Class will be adjusted accordingly.
- Series Awards will be distributed in accordance with the current SCCA Solo Rule Book, based on the average number of competitors in each Car Class or the total number of Series-eligible entrants in each Car Class, whichever provides more awards. Non-eligible competitors finishing in a Series Award position will not be awarded an Award and the award positions for the associated Class will be increased by one if more eligible competitors exist in the Class.
- A "Rookie of the Year" Award will be awarded in accordance with the GASS Points structure. To be eligible, competitors must have never competed in more than two (2) GASS (or predecessor CENDIV Series) events during any competition year. Rookie Points will be awarded beginning with the event at which the competitor declares eligibility. The index shown below will be used to adjust competitors' times for award of Rookie Points for each event.

$$P = \sum_{i=1}^n \left( \frac{\text{PAX/RTP Index Position}(i)}{\text{Total \# of Entries in Event}(i)} \right)$$

where "n" = Number of Events Used.

**2008 PAX/RTP Index Table**

SS 0.852	ES 0.817	ASP 0.862	FSP 0.833	SM 0.860	DP 0.863	BM 0.937	FSAE 0.946
AS 0.842	FS 0.821	BSP 0.858	STS 0.816	SM 0.867	EP 0.861	CM 0.904	F125 0.948
BS 0.832	GS 0.815	CSP 0.856	STS2 0.818	XP 0.882	FP 0.872	DM 0.890	FJA 0.855
CS 0.831	HS 0.792	DSP 0.843	STX 0.820	BP 0.866	GP 0.847	EM 0.887	FJB 0.828
DS 0.812		ESP 0.841	STU 0.830	CP 0.864	AM 1.000	FM 0.895	FJC 0.770

- Series Championship Awards will be presented at an Awards & Dinner Banquet to be held after completion of the GASS competition season. The Banquet time and place will be announced in the GASS Bulletin.

### COMPETITORS

- Competitors may enter each event only once and may not enter an event in more than one Car Class.
- Competitors must be CenDiv or GLDiv SCCA members prior to the last event they run to earn Series Awards.
- The Official GASS Logo Sticker must be displayed in an upright position on both sides of each competitor's vehicle during GASS event competition.

