

GTOAA Popular Vote Classing Chart Revised for 2017

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Note: to enter your proper PV class for year and body style, you must register by **June 1, 2017**. Entries after June 1st will all go in one big group called 2 Late 2 Class. Register early! You must complete PV tech-in by 5:00 PM Thursday, June 29th. No exceptions. The Popular Vote show takes place Friday, June 30, 2017 from 9:00 AM until 1:00 PM.

	OK for STOCK	Goes In MODIFIED
GENERAL	Popular Vote Stock is not about numbers-matching or Concours-level correctness. It is about stock appearance. If a vehicle looks stock, it can enter as Stock. Factory parts or reproductions of factory parts are OK in Stock as long as they are appropriate for the year of the vehicle. Safety-related upgrades and service replacement items are OK.	Popular Vote Modified is for cars with custom parts, aftermarket parts, or combinations impossible for the model or year (i.e., Tri-Power after 1966, 455 engine in a 1961 Tempest, LS2 engine in a 1971 Ventura, hood tach on a 1964 Catalina, etc.) If the vehicle does not look like factory production, it goes in Modified.
EXTERIOR	Factory color (or reasonably similar) appropriate for year. Base-coat/clear coat OK. OEM-type stripes or decals correct for year (no 1968 Judges, no hood birds on 1971 Trans Ams, etc). Chrome, stainless, lenses, and glass appear as factory.	Non-factory color or wrong color for year. Painted bumpers in place of chrome. Wrong year or aftermarket graphics. Wrong year options (i.e., hood tach before 1967). Non-factory paint (candy, pearl, metal-flake, flames, flip flop, etc.) Sheet metal changes, body kits, added scoops, aftermarket skirts, fiberglass or Lexan components, scissor doors.
INTERIOR	Factory-type seats, panels, upholstery correct for year, carpet, console, steering wheel, seat belts, headliner. Aftermarket gauges, tach, radio in original location or hidden, floor mats OK.	Non-factory upholstery, carpet, or headliner material; aftermarket steering wheel, seats, safety harness, add on sound equipment, speakers in trunk, etc. Custom made dash, console, tubs, roll cage, gutted, fuel cell, racing seats, TV, video games.
WHEELS & TIRES	Pontiac factory wheels or hubcaps, even if wrong style for year provided size is appropriate. Radial or bias ply tires OK.	Aftermarket billet, mag, or aluminum wheels, non-Pontiac wheels, impossible size for year of car (i.e., 17-inch wheels on a 1969 Firebird), Hurst wheels, slicks.
ENGINE COMPARTMENT	Any Pontiac engine, must look like appropriate configuration for year, correct Pontiac engine color for year. Factory style valve covers, intake, exhaust. Auxiliary fan, HD radiator in factory color, fan shroud as long as factory-style; modern battery, belts, or hoses permitted.	Anodized fittings, braided hoses, chrome accessories, tube headers, aftermarket intake, valve covers, aluminum heads, colored ignition wires, MSD box, engine painted non-factory color, Tri-Power after 1966. Aftermarket blower, turbo, or fuel injection, nitrous system, smoothed firewall, no inner fender wells.
CHASSIS	Any factory brake system even if incorrect for year but must appear as factory finish & plating. Sway bars or non-GM rear end if appearing as factory finish. Dual master cylinder before 1967 OK.	Aftermarket brake system; traction bars; side exhaust; undercarriage chromed, powder-coated, or other non-factory plating or finish. Tube frame, back-halved, four link, wheelie bars, parachute, hydraulics.
GTOs & JUDGES	All GTO entries must supply VIN numbers to determine authenticity. VINs will be checked against the PHS database to determine if the vehicle is a real GTO or Judge.	Undocumented GTOs will be classed as Modified A-body. Undocumented Judges will be classed as Modified GTO (unless the car is not a GTO, in which case it will be classed as Modified A-body).
PLEASE NOTE	These guidelines apply only to Popular Vote. Concours standards are different. It is important that you class your car properly with regard to Stock or Modified. If our tech people have to reclassify your car upon arrival, there may not be a parking space for you in the reassigned class. If you are not sure whether your car should be entered as Stock or Modified, please call and discuss the situation with the folks listed at the top of this page. Changing your class once you arrive will be a headache. You won't like it. Get it right ahead of time.	

Popular Vote Car Show General Info 2017

Although Concours judging at the GTOAA Meet is for 1964-1974 GTOs and 1964-1972 A-bodies only, the Popular Vote Car Show has classes for all Pontiacs. GTOs compete only against GTOs. Other Pontiacs compete with each other based on model, year, or body style entered.

Classes

Classes are based on actual registrations received. Once we know how many of each year, model, and body style we have, we can assign classes based on reliable information. This will allow us to form reasonably sized, competitive groupings of cars. We may have 18 classes, or 22 classes, or 27 classes, or whatever amount best fits the entries this year.

Modified cars will be classed separately from stock vehicles. Years, models, and body styles may be combined or separated depending on the number of similar entries. There will be GTO-only classes based on years, stock cars will be separate from modified cars, and other Pontiacs may be classed by model or year groupings, depending on actual entries. It is very important to pre-register so we can group cars properly.

Our goal is a reasonably even distribution of cars per class so that we don't have 3 cars in one group and 27 cars in another, or some classes with no entries at all.

See the Popular Vote Classification Chart to determine if you should enter as Stock or Modified. Please make sure you enter the proper category for your vehicle. If your car has to be placed in a different class upon arrival because the information you provided is incorrect, there may not be sufficient parking space in the proper class.

This would also apply if you bring a different car from the one originally registered. Every effort will be made to accommodate such situations, but if you show up with flames on a car entered as Stock, there may not be a space for you in the Modified category. Likewise, if you register a '64 GTO convertible but arrive with a '68 Firebird hardtop, there may not be space for you in the class where you need to park.

Street Legends is a display-only, non-voting class for all Pontiacs. It is open to stock, modified, original, project, unfinished, or even beater cars. No judging, no voting, just bring it.

VIN Info For GTOs and Judges

In order to authenticate GTOs and Judge models, all 1964-65 and 1972-74 GTOs and all Judges in Popular Vote must be documented. Unverified GTOs will be classed as Modified A-body and unverified Judges will be classed as Modified GTO. You must supply your VIN when registering a GTO or Judge. PHS will verify that the car is a real GTO or a real Judge. The authenticity of 1966-1971 GTOs will be verified by VIN.

Entry Deadline

Entry deadlines will be enforced to insure a proper parking layout that can accommodate cars in their respective Popular Vote classes. All cars will have an assigned parking spot for the duration of the event.

Popular Vote registrations must be received by the **cutoff date, June 1, 2017**. Popular Vote registrations received after the deadline will be entered as "2 Late 2 Class" which is a catch-all group for ALL late entries. This class will not be separated by model, body style, level of modification, or year. If you want to be in the class where your vehicle belongs, you must get your entry in before the deadline.

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