

Submission Title: Lower Engine Containment

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RULEBOOK REFERENCE: PAGE 203 PARAGRAPH 4.6.3

RULE SUBMISSION INTENT:

The intent is to enhance safety and diminish down time on tracks due to oil downs.

PROPOSED ADMENDMENT:

The NSW DC recommends changes to Lower Engine Containment devices.

Change the wording in Paragraph 4.6.3 (page 203) to read:

All cars with an ET quicker than 9 seconds (1/4 mile) /5.7 seconds (1/8 mile) must be equipped with a lower engine containment device capable of containing oils and debris. In addition, Top fuel (page 196) and Funny Cars (Page 185 must be fitted with an engine oil retention (belly)pan

CLASSES AFFECTED:

All cars quicker than 9.00 seconds (1/4mile or equivalent)

Does this rule protect the safety of participants and spectators?

Yes. Many cars in group 2-3 are running extremely quick numbers, if this rule even stops 1 vehicle from losing control with oil under the tyres, then it should be considered.

Is this rule a positive step for the sport?

Yes, It will assist racers when there is an incident in most cases and keep more debris from the track surface, eliminating down time, giving the spectators a meeting that is continuous, rather than watching clean ups.

Is the impact of the rule on other classes and brackets a positive one?

Yes

Does the rule ensure increased opportunity for even competition?

Yes

Is the rule practical and enforceable?

Yes. There are many types of LECD available.

Is the cost of complying with the rule reasonable for competitors?

Yes, the cost is reasonable. What is an injury worth?