



Criteria Sheet Old Car Festival 2025

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Old Car Festival, America's longest-running antique car show (1951), celebrates the triumphs of the automotive industry's earliest years by featuring vehicles from the 1890s through 1932. This two-day event is a top-quality car show providing both a great experience for show participants and their families and educating guests about the history and significance of the automobile in ways that are fun and engaging for all.

We use the following criteria to review vehicles for acceptance into the show:

- **Due to space limitations, approval and acceptance into the show will be limited.** To fully illustrate the variety and scope of vehicles available, limits will be placed on the number of similar makes, models, styles, or years of vehicles.
- Vehicle types accepted: Car, Commercial, Race Car/Speedster, Bicycles, Motorcycles, and Scooters.
- While this is not a hot rod, custom car, or modified muscle car show, company-produced prototypes, period-correct racing vehicles, and specific customized cars may be eligible.
- **The vehicle must have been produced in 1932 or earlier** and appear as it did when it was in daily use. Restored, partially restored and un-restored vehicles may apply.
- Period accessories, either dealer-installed or after-market, are acceptable **if they were available during the model year of the vehicle.** Examples of such accessories include windshield visors, Motometers, "Rocky Mountain" brakes, Ruxtell 2-speed rear axles, running-board-mounted luggage carriers, and radiator stone guards.
- Items that improve vehicle safety, or that are required to meet current vehicle standards, such as electric taillights, are acceptable, even if they were not available when the car was new.
- Mechanical modifications that were not available when the car was new, such as lowering or adding disc brakes, are not acceptable.
- Engines must have been available for the vehicle from the factory during the vehicle's model year. Chassis and engine numbers do NOT need to match.
- Engines and under-hood areas should look stock. (We have no way to monitor internal modifications.) Any modifications should leave the engine appearing as it did when the car was new and in daily use.
- Upholstery colors and materials must be true to original specifications.
- Cosmetic modifications, such as removing chrome and other trim, are not acceptable.
- Paint must be stock colors available from the factory when the vehicle was new. Exceptions are commercial and racing vehicles, which often featured custom paint schemes.
- Plan to display your vehicles for the public to enjoy on both days of the show.

**In fairness to all potential participants, these requirements and criteria apply to all applications.
Applications not meeting the above criteria will be denied.**