



FF Tire Rule Proposal

January 25, 2025 Zoom Meeting Result

Goal = more fun + more entries

**Letter #37802 has been submitted to the SCCA
+ #37849 adding another bias ply front option**

We've Been Asking, and -

The Barriers to Entries Are:

1. FF tire rule
2. See number 1

Today's Rule

FF required to use the Hoosier radial

Done?

No. Only 20% of FF's Racing in SCCA Majors

80% of FF's in the USA

Not Done

CFF
Generally happy with the tires the Divisions allow them to run (VFF & R60 Bias Ply included). But not allowed to run at Majors.

Not Done

We still have one group that has been pointing out a problem. There are not allowed to run the tire they want to run at any SCCA event

Hundreds of comments on Apex, Facebook, etc. that drivers love these tires and will not switch to radials

20% of FF's in the USA

Done

Current FF Tire Rule
Radials

Any car that puts on radials can run as FF

Vast majority of active SCCA drivers' with "modern" cars content with the radial per comments and interviews

What's the Problem?

80% of FF's in the USA

CFF

Need to allow these drivers to run a tire they are excited to run – one they run today



Typically defined by Division rules as cars with outboard suspension on one or both ends

Problem Statement

Mid 80's – '90ish FF race cars

EX: DB1 and Pre-90 Reynard

Observation: most but not all have rocker-arm suspension

- Not classified as CFF in most Divisions
- Some are fine with the radials, others:
 - “Can’t get radial camber”
 - “Don’t work on radials”
 - “Can’t compete with “modern” cars”
 - Don’t want the vintage Hoosier
 - Do want the R60 bias ply
- Need to allow these drivers to run a tire they are excited to run

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Proposed 2025 Tire Rule

Close to 100% now invited



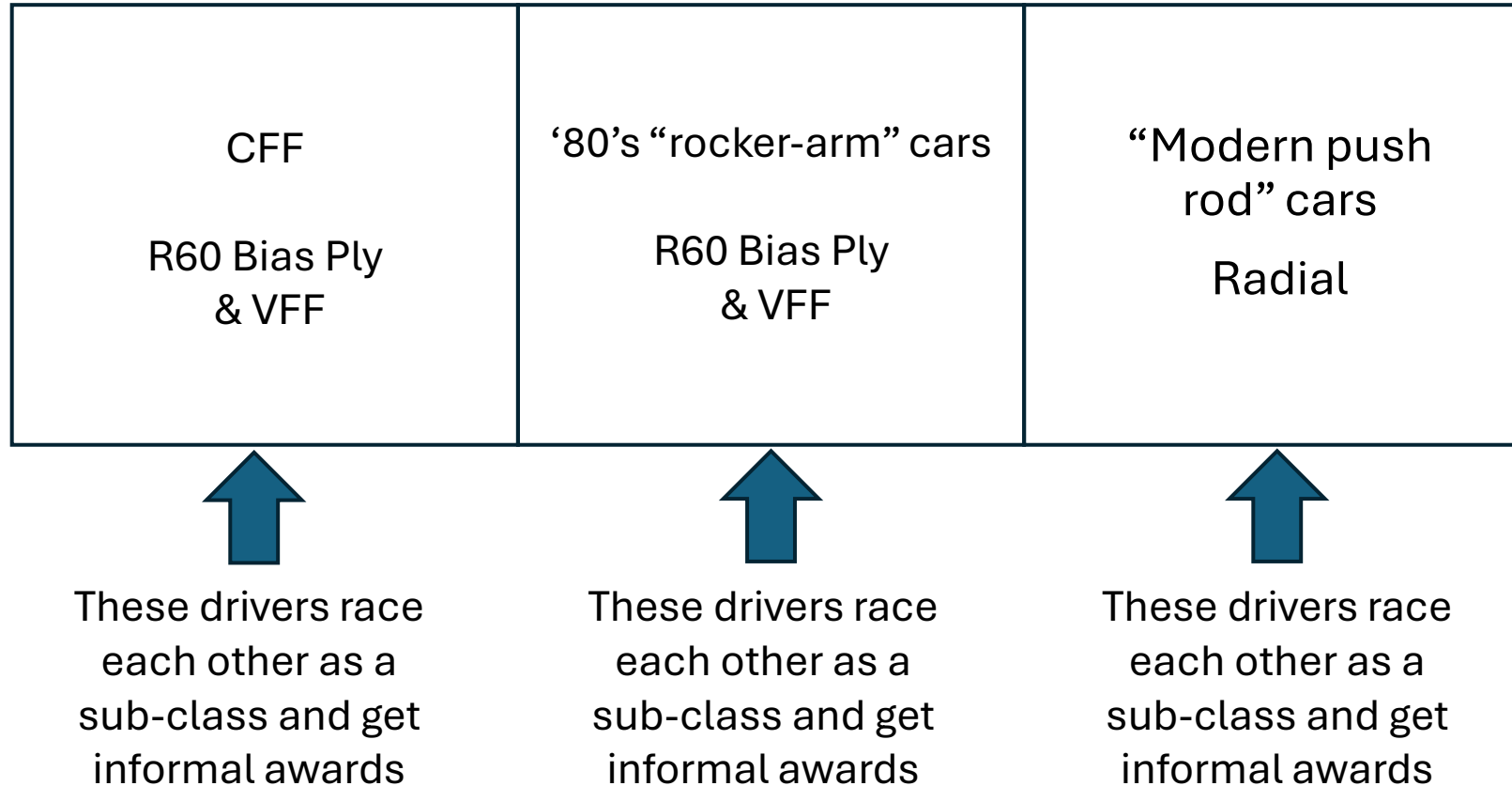
No change to set-up. Majority of drivers currently content. Modern tire technology used in pro-racing

Get to run the tire technology the cars were designed for and the drivers like. No changes to set-up.

- Solves camber concern
- Get to run the tire technology the cars we're designed for and the drivers like.
- No changes to set-up
- Tires last
- Tires might be faster than radials, possibly making them more competitive
- A few rocker-arm cars want the VFF
 - No harm in letting them have their choice, a bit slower

Proposed 2025 Tire Rule

Each Era Focuses on Competing Against Cars from the Same ERA



Note: Anyone can put on the radials and run as a modern car if they so choose

Please ask yourself:

- Would you like to experience the UK's Formula Ford Festival in your neighborhood?
 - They recognize and celebrate that there are different ERA's of cars. Do you want to?
 - Each ERA in the UK is not on the same tire. Works for them, why not us?
- Would you like to see more cars in the paddock and on track?
 - Can you be flexible and help make that happen?
- Do you really care if someone you're not competing against is using a different tire?
- Do you really want to stop someone who you're not competing against from using a different tire?
- Do you want someone to stop you from using the tire that's best for you and your car?