

Shelby Nationals Judging Information - 2026

Introduction

The whole purpose of our Nationals/State Concours is not just to hand out trophies, but to encourage our members to maintain and improve the quality of the marque.

In contrast to some other car clubs' Concours events it is of paramount importance to us that entrants' cars be in good mechanical and roadworthy condition. Points are awarded to reflect this fact.

It should also be noted that our judges for Original and Show'n'Shine classes do not judge from the outside. They check every area thoroughly, including underbody (Original Concours class judging only), which is judged whilst safely parked on a raised platform.

It is highly recommended that first time entrants for Concours should read through this document or Mustang Owners Club of Australia Inc. (MOCA) Concours Guidelines & Rules to establish which class would best suit their needs. If you are still unsure and/or need further help, contact your States National Delegate.

The information within this document should be used as a guide only. For further specific detailed information please refer to:

Australian Shelby registrar –
Craig Dean 0419 395 995

Victorian Mustang Round Up & State Concours Director –
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Eligibility

Vehicle

All vehicles must be fully registered in the owner's state of residence at the time of entry and be entered in the owner's Family Name. "Club & Classic" registration is permitted, trade plates or temporary permits are not.

All cars entered for judging must be registered and driven into the venue. Cars brought into the venue on trailers will not be eligible for judging.

Entrant

The Entrant must have owned the vehicle and been a financial member of their state branch for at least 60 days prior to the event to be eligible for any trophies.

Entrants must decide before entering, in what class they want to compete in. Once the vehicle has been entered it cannot be placed in another class except at the discretion of the Head Judge, who may change the class entered into the appropriate class. Entrant will be notified of any class change.

Receipt of entries

All entries & payment **must** be received by the MOCA Vic Secretary no later than **5pm 25th September 2026**.

Classes

Entries to all Judged Classes are subject to the prerequisites of membership, ownership etc. as per MOCA rules.

Judged classes are open to all MOCA &/or Australian Shelby registry members whose membership can be verified by their State Secretary & Australian Shelby registrar or upon request. If no valid membership can be provided or verified, entry into Judged classes will not be accepted.

All vehicles must be driven into event on the day. (No Trailers)

Shelby Mustangs only can be entered into the judged classes.

Cost of entry into the judged classes:

- Concours \$70.00
- Show'n'Show class \$30.00 pre-entry or \$40.00 on the day

All entries & payment **must** be received by the MOCA Vic Secretary no later than **5pm 25th September 2026**.

All judged entries must be presented to the judges clear of all items other than those required to be included in the judging. i.e. if no Ford/Shelby part No. or documentation available covering said items remove item/s!

Original Class

Original Class Entry Eligibility is based on, and governed by, a rolling 10-year process. The vehicle must have a manufactured date of 10 years or older at the time entries for the event close to be eligible to enter this class. That is, the model year shall be the American model year and will be determined by the VIN plate, Decal and/or ID tag which, except for some Shelby's and late models, is located on the LH door and /or under the windscreen.

For instance, at the 2023 Shelby Nationals, a vehicle with an American model year of 2013 and earlier, can enter this class.

A Shelby Mustang with a manufactured date less than 10 years is not eligible to enter this class at any time.

- Entry form & payment to be received by the MOCA Vic Secretary no later than **25th September 2026**.
- Entry form to have MOCA & Australian Shelby registry membership number fields to complete.
- Gold, Silver & Bronze trophy's awarded to those who have achieved the necessary point levels required.
- Vehicles will be judged on how they are presented on the day.

Show'N'Shine Class

1964 ½ - Present day. Originality and Modifications are not a consideration in this class, only "Condition and Presentation" of what is in place at time of judging shall be taken into account. There is no under car Judging (no need to go up on ramps) in this Class.

- Entry is open to any member/vehicle which has not been awarded either a State or National Original/Thoroughbred class trophy within the last 5 years.
- Entry Forms to have MOCA & Australian Shelby registry membership number fields (if space permits). This will assist with the verification of MOCA & Australian Shelby registry membership.
- Entry form & payment can be prepaid by **5pm Wednesday 21st October 2026** or **by 10am** on the day.

Registration/Roadworthiness

All vehicles must be presented in a roadworthy condition in accordance with current Roadworthy /Defect Certificate requirement of the entrants' home state.

Vehicles presented with mechanical defects which may not pass a Roadworthy / Defect check shall lose points heavily.

Vehicles must correctly display current registration sticker and number plates. Points lost if these items are incorrect, illegible or missing. Dress or Promo plates are not allowed at the time of judging.

Judging

All cars entered for judging must be registered and driven into the venue. Cars brought into the venue on trailers will not eligible for judging.

Original Classes will commence judging first followed by Show'n'Shine class judging can commence when judging panel is assembled.

a: All entries must be driven from the display area to the nominated judging area if required.

b: A selected item of safety to be nominated at the judges briefing meeting for scrutinizing on the day.

c: Original Class will be judged underneath only if drive-on ramps are available. If this is not the case, suitable mirror type judging will occur. Underneath judging is not applicable for Show'n'Shine Class.

d: All judged entries must be presented to the judges clear of all items other than those required to be included in the judging. i.e. if no Ford part number or documentation available covering said items, then owner should remove the items.

Judges Decision

Judge's decision is final in all cases and no further correspondence will be entered into.

Disqualifications

Refusal of Entry

The Shelby Nationals/Victorian State Concours Committee or judges may refuse entry or disqualify any car on the grounds of false, misleading or incorrect information, poor standard of entry, or gross lack of preparation. The entrant shall be informed of the reason on the day by the Shelby Nationals/Victorian State Concours Committee Director. Entry fee may be forfeited.

Entry to Nominated Judging Area

Entrants are required to remain outside the nominated judging area except for the necessary functional operational checks, if requested by the judges. It should not be necessary for the entrants to speak to the judges, unless asked to do so. An obtrusive entrant runs the risk of disqualification and will forfeit entry fees.

This basic guideline is to avoid infringing on the judge's consultation among them during judging.

Disputes

Model year classification, ownership, and or options etc:

In the event of any dispute arising from Model year classification, ownership, and or options, etc. it is up to the owner to provide documented proof of their claim i.e. Build sheet, owner's handbook, workshop manual, new car brochure, or any genuine Ford recognised literature/manuals are the only source for reference.

Note - "Hot Rod" and "Street Machine" - type magazines or books either USA or local publications are not considered an accurate source of information.

- **Original Ford Parts Lists, MCA and MCA approved source manuals are acceptable as an accurate source of information.**

Validity and Authenticity of New Parts / Options:

The owner should provide documentation to the judges, prior to judging, to substantiate the validity and authenticity of new parts / options which may be of a contentious nature. The documentation should be attached to the entry form or, because of the nature of the documentation, should be available in the vehicle at the time of judging. This evidence will be considered in the context of the situation and approved by the Head Judge and / or Delegates at the time.

If an issue arises during judging of a vehicle and no resolution can be agreed to, no penalty will be applied at the time, but a note entered on the judging sheet advising the owner to the area

concerned. The issue will be followed up without prejudicing the owner.

Awards

Original Class

Open to any MOCA & Australian Shelby registry member vehicles.
Entrant eligibility will be confirmed prior to judging.

Gold, Silver & Bronze trophy to awarded for those who have achieved the eligible point levels.

Gold Award: **Min. 900 Points**

Silver Award: **Min. 800 Points**

Bronze Award: **Min. 700 Points**

These awards are presented at the Annual M.O.C.A. Vic Presentation dinner on Sunday 19th October held in Richmond.

Show'N'Shine Class

Open to any MOCA & Australian Shelby registry member vehicle which has not won a trophy in this class or Original, Modified or Thoroughbred Class trophy at a State or National Concours within the last 5 years.

Entrant eligibility will be confirmed prior to judging.

1x Trophy for the Most Outstanding Shelby

1x Trophy for the Best Late Model Shelby

Show'n'Shine class trophies will be awarded on the day and are dependent on the number of entries received by the cutoff date & time.

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