

7. Judging will commence at 9am and there will be no further preparation of vehicles at this time.
8. Vehicles wishing to leave the Concours prior to completion of the event, will require special prior permission from the Chief Judge, and may be granted leave in special circumstances.
9. No advertising material shall be distributed or displayed without the permission of the Concours Director.

Categories & Guidelines for Judging

Interior: items such as dash, steering wheel, doors, headlining, seats, upholstery, floor mats and pan, trims, visors, instruments, original to the vehicle (except seat belts fitted to earlier vehicles for safety). Boot or Load Area including spare tyre, and accessories. Non-original items such as car phones, alarms, speakers, air-conditioners etc will attract deduction of marks. However, original items such as additional keys, spare tyre, safety triangle, and tool kit should be included for display. The car should be emptied of items for judging.

Exterior: panels, paintwork, chrome, trim, glass, lamps, grille, rubbers, for example, will be assessed. Body panel dents, rust, poor finish, over-spray, worn or perished rubbers, excessive glue, non-original sunroofs, or non-original chrome wheel arches will result in a deduction of marks.

Engine Bay: everything seen and 'checkable' with the bonnet up (including batteries, v belts, hoses, firewalls, and wiring for example). All should be clean but not excessively polished; points will be lost for corrosion, oil and water leaks, wrong or worn/frayed/stained hoses, clamps, etc.

Under-body: mudguards, wheel arches, drive train, suspension and exhaust components should be clean and free of oil leaks and rust.

Functions: Do they work? Interior lighting, instruments, switches Headlights, indicators, spotlights, interior lights, n/plate, boot light. Logbook, owner's manual, datacard, service manuals. Are the functions in the best possible condition for age and mileage?

Note that it is essential that the owner is available to open the boot for inspection and operate the functions of the vehicle by judges (you may wish to lock the boot to secure valuables in your boot during the day).

Rules for Categories, Classes & Awards

All classes and awards will be published by the Mercedes-Benz Club of Queensland prior to the closing dates of Concours Entry.

1. Concours Classes (1 to 17) where the highest standard of originality or restoration to "as left the factory" condition is being sought.
2. Champions of Champions is only for vehicles that have won Outright Winner in any year, prior to current, that the Mercedes-Benz Club of Queensland has run a Concours D'Elegance.
3. Previous Outright winners, regardless of ownership, are no longer eligible to compete in individual classes and are only eligible for Champion of Champions Trophy award.
4. Vehicles, which in the opinion of the Concours Director and Chief Judge, have been modified from Mercedes-Benz vehicle specifications, will not be eligible for Concours Categories, and will be duly encouraged to compete in the Modified Category.
5. Open top vehicles must be presented for judging with a top down. If a hard top is fitted to the vehicle, the hard top must be removed and safely placed on the ground for judging.
6. Seat covers must be removed completely for judging, points may be deducted otherwise.
7. Floor mats (if fitted), including Genuine Floor mats must be removed for judging and placed to the rear of the car.