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**TO** : Competitors racing in historic cars in Belgium  
**FROM** : RACB Sport - Belgian ASN  
**SUBJECT** : Safety equipment of the historic cars competing in Belgium

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RACB Sport would like to remind what is the minimum required to compete in Belgium, in order to avoid drivers being forced to buy new stuff on site or, at the worst being prevented from racing, what nobody likes to see.

Belgium follows the FIA rules and any race in a country must normally follow country rules, as far as safety is concerned. This is an international rule, applicable in any country.

Here are the main FIA safety rules for post-war cars (from period E):

- 1 license, allowing to race outside your home country.
- 1 overall, fireproof - FIA norm 8856-2000 - embroidered on the backside of the collard.
- Underwear, shoes, gloves, balaclava - FIA norm 8856-2000.
- 1 FIA homologated helmet, snell SA2000, SA2005, SA2010, SAH2010, BS A/FR (red sticker) or SFI 31/1A or 31/2A (see below).
- 1 safety harness, FIA labelled for cars up to 1965 / FIA labelled and less than 5 years old for 1966 and after. I naturally strongly recommend a recent harness for older cars as well.
- 1 fire extinguisher, min 2kg powder / 2.4ltr AFFF, fixed with a purpose-built cradle bolted to the car body and retaining bands through this, as opposed to just retaining straps attached directly to the body. This must have been inspected within two years with the dated inspection sticker clearly visible.
- circuit breaker controlled easely from both inside and out.
- 1 metal tow ring or towing strap, front and rear, indicated with a contrasting colour arrow on the bod (not for single-seat cars).
- All cars must have a red rain light, placed in the middle of the back of the car.
- The fuel tank is free, but must be filled with safety foam.  
In case of a safety fuel tank (FT3 & FT3.3), it must be within the validity of homologation (Appendix J Art. 253.14).
- The roll bar, when compulsory, must conform to appendix K 2011 and cannot be attached to the suspension fixing points.
- Two rear-view mirrors must be fitted, with min. total glass area of 90 cm<sup>2</sup>.

#### Recommendations:

Frontal Head Restraint (FHR) [Hans system] will probably be mandatory in the coming year.

In case of buying new harness or seats pay attention that they must be compatible with the Frontal Head Restraint system.

Moreover when buying new equipment, always check carefully that this equipment has the latest homologation.

**NORMES RECONNUES POUR LES CASQUES  
RECOGNISED STANDARDS FOR HELMETS**

**LISTE TECHNIQUE N° 25 / TECHNICAL LIST N° 25**

- **FIA 8860-2004**
- **FIA 8860-2010**  
Fédération International de l'Automobile  
8, Place de la Concorde  
75008 Paris  
France  
[www.fia.com](http://www.fia.com)



- **Snell SAH 2010**
- **Snell SA 2010**
- **Snell SA 2005**  
Snell Memorial Foundation  
3628 Madison Avenue, Suite 11  
North Highlands, CA 95660  
USA  
[www.smf.org](http://www.smf.org)



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- **SFI 31.1**
- **SFI 31.1A**
- **SFI 32.2A**  
SFI Foundation Inc  
15708 Pomerado Road, Suite N208  
Poway, CA 92064  
USA  
[www.sfi-foundation.com](http://www.sfi-foundation.com)



- **BS6658-85 type A/FR**  
British Standards Institution  
389 Chiswick High Road  
London W4 4AL  
UK  
[www.bsi-global.com](http://www.bsi-global.com)

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**Prière de se reporter aux exigences supplémentaires concernant l'utilisation des casques à l'Annexe L du Code Sportif International de la FIA.  
Please check additional requirements regarding helmets use in the Appendix L of the FIA International Sporting Code.**