

## West Coast Registry

### Information Regarding Car/Competition Numbers

A competition number is the number that you are required to have displayed on your car while participating in a competitive event. (See our Qualification Standards page in this entrant packet, top of the page "GENERAL" then scroll down to item no. 7) Today as in the early days of automobile competitions these numbers play an important role in a competitive event. Whether it's racing, endurance runs, hill climbs, etc. the competition number was and is necessary for easy car identification during the event in order to keep track of that cars action for awards purposes. You may or may not already have a competition number on your car, either way be aware that the number that is on your car or that you have chosen to put on your car may already be a registered number. Yes... there is a way to register a competition number, please read on. The Santa Clara Valley Model T Ford Club, along with several other west coast clubs, is affiliated with a speedster/racecar competition number registering service called the West Coast Registry (W.C.R.). Even though we are all just "good ole boys" having fun with old cars, the W.C.R. is a necessity for those of you that value the competition number either already on your car or that you are about to put on you car, and it's nice to know that whatever event you sign up for, if your number is registered with the W.C.R. you wont have to change your number because someone else that has signed up for the same event is using it. Once it's registered with the W.C.R. it's yours, providing the organization hosting the event is affiliated with the W.C.R. The W.C.R. keeps track of which competition numbers are currently in use on active 1933 and older speedsters and racecars on the west coast. We recommend that you contact the Registry if you haven't already done so and register your desired competition number for this and future events. The "Brain" of the West Coast Registry is Bob Rankin Phone (503) 472-2837 (Oregon) e-mail [bmrankin@wcssoft.com](mailto:bmrankin@wcssoft.com). Bob is the founder and maintains for a group of west coast antique car organizations the list of currently in use competition numbers. This is a competition number protective system. In the case of duplicate numbered cars registering for the same event, the car that has its number registered with the W.C.R. gets to use the number. The other car must choose and display an available alternate number. If you have not registered your number with the W.C.R. and no one else that enters the run has either, (before registration deadline May 15) earliest postmark gets to use the number. Best bet call Bob. If need be, get on the waiting list for your number and keep in touch with Bob as a reminder that you still want your number. The way a number comes available is: If no car is currently registered with your number, you got it! If someone is, and the car registered with your number does not enter for 2 consecutive years, any of the participating organizations competitive events the number is up for grabs. Also consider checking with W.C.R. as your number maybe currently registered to a 1928 or newer car. If so you'll be OK for our 1927 and older run. Or your number may be registered to a car in "Timbuktu" who never strays far from home.... anyway, if you're number means a lot to you and you're in this thing for the long haul talk to Bob, he'll do his best to accommodate.