

Overview – Vehicle Change Summary Form



As identified in the **FSAE-A 2026 Local Rules Addendum**, the arbitrary definition for 1st and 2nd Year vehicles will no longer apply.

Vehicle entry acceptance will be based on the teams' completion of the new **FSAE-A 2026 Vehicle Change Summary Form**. (Excel format only)

This will be done in three phases,

1. 'Preliminary' submission early in the year
2. 'Interim' submission one week before the date of **Registration Closure**
3. 'Final' submission 2 weeks prior to the event, based on the vehicle as built.

Select the appropriate Phase from the Drop-down menu in Box F3 under the first Tab 'Overview'.

Vehicle Change Scores will be assessed by the officials according to the described level of change of the vehicle.

There will be a minimum Cut-Off 'Score' which must be met for an entry to the FSAE-Australasia event to be accepted.

The assessed **Vehicle Change Scores** for the 'Interim' phase will be provided to the teams as a guide.

The assignment of scores for the 'Interim' and 'Final' levels will be done by the event officials.

Final score allocation and penalties will be based upon the 'Final' version of the Vehicle Change Summary, when the actual vehicle, as finally built by the team, is available. This recognises that change may occur between the 'Interim' and 'Final' design level.

Penalties will apply for vehicles with low levels of change from the prior year(s).

Any penalties for low levels of change on an entered vehicle will be based on the points Score. **See Table:1 for the penalties.**

As 2026 is the first year of application of this new process, the exact vehicle breakdown and related points score may be adjusted from the initial publication.

A degree of leniency will be applied for this first year of the new system.

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- 'Preliminary' submission will be without any points allocation.
- 'Interim' submission will have provisional points allocations for assessment of eligibility for the Registration to be accepted.
- 'Final' version will be used for any penalty applied.

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Penalty points will be deducted from a team's overall points score and will not be part of the Design score.

Teams who are entering Formula SAE- Australasia for the first time, will only be required to complete the,

- Overview Tab.

Teams presenting a new or existing chassis/vehicle must fill in both the,

- Overview Tab
and the,
- Changes Tab

Fill in Columns D, E and F in the Changes Tab

(unless a first-time entry for the Australasian Event, in which case only the Overview is required).

The description of change should be brief but clearly identify the major components which are New versus Modified or Carryover against each Line Item under the 'Changes' Tab, as well as giving a succinct summary in the 'Overview' Tab.

Teams are to submit the **Vehicle Change Summary Form** by the dates shown in the Addendum with the following file name logic.

<Team Number>_<Team name>_<Version>.xlsx

e.g. 55_Canberra University_Initial.xlsx

Teams may submit comments or suggestions relating to this new process to formulasae@sae-a.com.au.

The following formula will apply: **Penalty = (60 - Your score) x (50/35)**

Scores	Penalties
<25	Entry not accepted
25 - 59	Per Formula
60 and over	0

Table: 1 Vehicle Change Scores v Penalties