

Colorado Region SCCA (COR)
RMDiv Championship Series (RMDCS)
(Last Updated for the 2026 Season)

Bracket Improved Touring (BIT) – Optional Regional Class
April 2026 (for 2026 season)

Unique Car Classification

Class to be identified and displayed (locations per GCR Requirement) as BIT (Bracket Improved Touring).

This classification is intended for any race prepared cars not specifically meeting existing SCCA classes or COR Optional Regional classes.

All cars in this class shall meet minimum Improved Touring safety requirements per GCR section 9.1.

Tire selection is open.

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Optional Regional Class (GCR 9.1.C.).

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Rocky Mountain Division Championship Series (RMDCS)
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Rules for the 2026 Season

BIT philosophy

The intent of this race class is to establish close and exciting racing based on the lap time potential of the car and driver and not based on rule-bound car preparation that stifles creativity and drives up the cost of racing. It is also the intent of the Bracket Improved Touring (BIT) class to open the doors to competitors from other race organizations as well as to lower the barriers to entry into SCCA Road Racing.

For 2026, BIT is a RMDCS race grouping. Cars must adhere to the safety and racing rules of the General Competition Rules (GCR) as well as the BIT rules spelled out below. Scoring brackets within a BIT are established based on a range of lap times. A break-out into a faster lap time moves you to the faster bracket without penalty. Slowing to avoid a break out is dangerous in road racing and will be subject to penalty. Competitors are expected to drive at their full capability. The RMDCS series will recognize the race winners in each of the scoring brackets of the feature race that have at least 2 competitors with a modest trophy. Due to its unique structure the BIT series classes will not be a part of the regular RMDCS championship, but instead will recognize a single champion who accumulates the most points among all brackets in 2026.

car eligibility

The Bracket Improved Touring (BIT) class is limited to closed-wheel cars that meet any of the following: SCCA GCR class rules, RMDCS Optional Regional Class rules, Vintage racing, BMW club, Porsche club or other racing organization that also meets GCR safety rules. Cars must have an SCCA tech inspection documented in an SCCA logbook that approves the car for racing under any closed wheel SCCA class or under the regional category of Bracket Improved Touring (BIT) for non-SCCA GCR class cars. Modification of cars beyond GCR class rules is unrestricted as long as the modifications comply with the safety requirements and the neat and clean rules of the GCR.

driver eligibility

Drivers must be SCCA members (full or weekend) and hold a license eligible for regional competition per GCR 3.1.2. The GCR recognizes the competition licenses of the following and will be accepted as SCCA Full Competition equivalents: BMW CCA, HSR, IMSA, Porsche Club of America, SVRA and many others.

safety / roll cage

All required driver's safety equipment must be worn at all times while on track. This includes but is not limited to driving suits bearing SFI 3.2A/1 or higher; Snell rated SA2015 or later full-face helmet; head and neck restraint system; fire resistant gloves, socks and shoes – See GCR Section 9.3 for full requirements. Roll cages must meet, at a minimum, the requirements under GCR Section 9.4 for Improved Touring.

car modification

Wheel, tire, suspension, brakes, engine, clutch, transmission, differential and aero modification are unrestricted as long as they do not violate the safety requirements of the GCR. Fenders, hoods, doors and hatchbacks must be in place but may be modified or replaced with aftermarket parts as long as they do not represent a safety hazard and their appearance is consistent with the neat and clean rule (GCR 9.3.6).

fuel

Restricted in accordance with the GCR.

car appearance

Cars must comply with the neat and clean rule. Number panels shall be sized in accordance with the GCR. Bracket Improved Touring logbooks will be provided to competitors that do not have a current SCCA logbook. Graphics will be in good taste. SCCA logos must appear in accordance with the GCR. RMDCS logos, BIT logos or any other required logos must appear in accordance with event supplemental regulations (available at registration and tech). Minimum weight stickers are not required.

car and driver classing

Car and driver brackets are typically A1 through A10 but vary over the season. The example table below is for races held at LaJunta Raceway. Similar tables will be provided in supplemental rules for RMDCS races held at other tracks. The initial bracket for each race is determined in qualifying. Qualifying grid order is set by the bracket group administrator and is based on a best estimate that places the cars on grid in order of fastest to slowest car. The grid for the first race of the weekend (or sanction for a multi-sanction weekend) is determined by the fastest lap in qualifying. Should a driver “break-out” into a faster class during racing, the car and driver combination are moved immediately to the appropriate faster bracket. A breakout is defined as any lap time that is faster than the bracket minimum. The car and driver combination will remain in the fastest bracket that they attain for the remainder of the race weekend. The grid for the second and third race of the weekend is based on the fastest lap attained in qualifying or the earlier race of the weekend. Cars and drivers that do not participate in prior sessions of the weekend will grid at the back of the pack.

Example bracket categories (LaJunta Raceway)

Minimum Lap Time	Class Bracket	Maximum Lap Time
—	A1	0:56.999
0:57.000	A2	0:58.999
0:59.000	A3	1:01.999
1:02.000	A4	1:03.999

Minimum Lap Time	Class Bracket	Maximum Lap Time
1:04.000	A5	1:05.999
1:06.000	A7	1:07.999
1:08.000	A8	1:09.999
1:10.000	A9	1:11.999
1:12.000	A10	—

For example: Bracket A3 is any car and driver running faster or equal to 0:59.000 but slower than 1:01.999. Bracket A10 is for lap times from 1:12.000 and slower.

groupings of cars

At the discretion of the Race Chair, Bracket Improved Touring, (BIT), may be run in a typical regional closed wheel race group or in a single race group. Race organizers are encouraged to order race groups in such a way to maximize the ability of all closed wheel classes to participate in BIT. A Bracket Race group is limited to 25 cars per mile of racetrack.

race scoring

This is racing and not time trials. Race scoring is based on your finish position within your bracket. Positions are based on your race finish order. If there are 5 cars in bracket B3 then the finish order will determine 1st through 5th place in that bracket. If one of those cars “breaks out” into the faster B2 bracket, they will immediately be moved to bracket B2 and their finish standing will be based on their finish order in the new bracket. A car could cross the start/finish line, break out and move from 1st place in B3 to last place in B2. Winners of the feature race on Sunday in each bracket with at least 2 cars will receive a trophy.

intentional slowing

Intentional slowing on track to avoid a break out into a faster bracket is both dangerous and inconsistent with the spirit of Bracket Improved Touring. If race organizers suspect that this has become a problem they may elect to ban the use of in car timing displays and the use of radios with the driver. Slowing to avoid a breakout will be subject to penalty.

rain

Bracket time ranges are determined by the race organizers and estimates of the typical dry track potential of the cars. Bracket times may be adjusted between race weekends but will not be adjusted during a race weekend. Cars will not be reclassified based on rain. All cars face the same conditions. Rain may favor one car over another, just as dry conditions may favor a different car. This will always be a part of multi-class racing. The focus of BIT is on car-to-car competition and not on ensuring all brackets are occupied.