



The **NHRA Top Alcohol Dragster, Top Alcohol Funny Car, Pro Mod, Pro Stock Motorcycle, Pro Stock, Top Fuel Dragster Body Acceptance Process** consists of the following four steps:

**1. Submittal of Letter of Intent.** This letter should outline the intent of the manufacturer as to what body they wish to have available for use in competition. This letter should also outline any and all design restrictions on said body that are set forth in the rulebook and the NHRA specific body specification. This letter of Intent must be submitted by email to Pat Cvengros at [pcvengros@nhra.com](mailto:pcvengros@nhra.com) no later than June 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to the year the body is intended for use in competition. (For example: a body intended to be used in competition in 2024 must have a Letter of Intent submitted no later than June 1, 2023.) Once received, the Letter of Intent will be submitted to the appropriate NHRA committee(s) after which a written decision will be provided from NHRA indicating **Pre-Approval or Denial**. If the manufacturer receives **written pre-approval** of the submitted Letter of Intent from the NHRA, the manufacturer can then begin to create a Detailed Body Concept Design Package.

**2. Submittal of Detailed Body Concept Design Package.** This package should include, if applicable, CAD drawings with dimensions, detailed materials specifications (i.e. material specification/safety sheets, tensile/impact information, etc.), and a letter outlining the manufacturing processes of the submitted body. If this request is for a modification(s) to an existing body, please provide detailed photographs of the affected area. The Detailed Body Concept Design Package must be submitted to Pat Cvengros at [pcvengros@nhra.com](mailto:pcvengros@nhra.com) no later than August 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to the year the body is intended for use in competition. (For example: a body intended to be used in competition in 2024 must have a Detailed Body Concept Design Package submitted no later than August 1, 2023). Once received, the Detailed Body Concept Design Package will be submitted to the appropriate NHRA committee(s) after which a **written** decision will be provided indicating **Pre-Approval or Denial**. If the manufacturer receives **written pre-approval** on the submitted Detailed Body Concept Design Package from the NHRA, the manufacturer can then begin to build a prototype body based upon the original information submitted.

**3. Submittal of Prototype Body/Plug.** Once the prototype body is completed, it must be submitted to the NHRA for inspection. The prototype body review must take place no later than October 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to the year the body is intended for use in competition (For example: a prototype body intended to be used in competition in 2024 must be made available for review no later than October 1, 2023). Scheduling of the body review must be made through Pat Cvengros at [pcvengros@nhra.com](mailto:pcvengros@nhra.com). Once available, the body will be reviewed by the appropriate NHRA committee(s) after which a **written** decision will be provided indicating **Pre-Approval or Denial**. **Note:** a prototype body may be represented by a "plug". If the manufacturer receives **written pre-approval** on the submitted prototype body from the NHRA, the manufacturer or team can then begin to build the final production body.

**4. Submittal of Final Production Body Design Package and Race Ready Body.** Once the final production body has been completed a Final Production Body Design Package and a race track ready production body must be submitted to the NHRA. The Final Production Body Design Package must be submitted to NHRA no later than December 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to when the body is intended for use in competition. Additionally, a race-track ready body review must take place no later than December 1<sup>st</sup> of the year prior to when the body is intended for use in competition. Scheduling of the body review must be made through Pat Cvengros at [pcvengros@nhra.com](mailto:pcvengros@nhra.com). (For example: a production body intended to be used in competition in 2024 must be submitted no later than December 1, 2023). This Final Production Body Design Package should contain but is not limited to the following: the production component(s), final pricing (if changed), component availability date, part number(s) and any drawings, if modified in any manner from those originally submitted. After the NHRA has had ample time to review the final package, a written decision of "**Final Approval or Denial**" will be provided. Approval, if granted, is valid only if such approval is granted in **writing** and signed by an NHRA official.



At any time during the acceptance process should the design, configuration, dimensions/tolerances, material, or manufacturing processes of the body change; the NHRA should be notified in **writing** immediately. At any time during the process the NHRA reserves the right to accept or deny the body based upon the information that is submitted. NHRA rules may be added, deleted and/or amended at any time during the process that might affect the design, configuration, dimensions/tolerances, or material of the submitted body. It is the manufacturer's responsibility to stay abreast of all NHRA rule changes that may affect the submitted component(s). All communications during the process will not be considered official unless it is stated in **writing** by the NHRA or the manufacturer.

Once final approval has been provided by the NHRA, should the design, configuration, dimensions/tolerances, material, weight or manufacturing process(es) of the approved body change; the NHRA technical department **must** be notified in **writing** prior to the modified component being run in NHRA competition. All costs incurred by the NHRA throughout the body acceptance process will be the manufacturer's responsibility.

Throughout this process the NHRA will make every reasonable effort to provide timely responses to questions and to provide timely approvals or denials to the various steps but makes no promises that components will be receive final approval in time to start a given race season.