

Vintage

Certification

Program

OUR GOAL:

- To provide recognition and status for the unrestored Vehicles, and to encourage owners to display and retain these benchmark cars in their present unrestored state.
- To provide a venue where original cars showing wear are indeed preferable to ones that are improperly restored. We believe these cars are like art work and just like an original painting they are more valuable than a reproduction and represent a unique niche in the car hobby.
- To provide appreciation for the past and present owners of these vehicles who have preserved these cars. These time capsules provide us with factory processes finishes and assembly methods and our program is a repository for the serious restorers and hobbyist so all can benefit.

- To Provide the hobbyist the opportunity to have their Vehicle certified objectively and fairly by a team of 3-4 judges over a 3hr period. This includes placing each car on a lift.
- To provide an exclusive designated area where unrestored cars can be displayed and recognized. This provides owners and like minded hobbyist the ability to share knowledge, examine examples first hand and pool the knowledge of our team, owners and hobbyist in this segment of the collector hobby.
- To provide owners with documentation and provenance. A fully detailed 8-10 page comprehensive report summarizing the judge's findings, which includes a listing of correct and incorrect items such as components, hardware and finishes. You will receive a plaque and certificate based on the findings by Vintage Certification Team.

Vintage Certification is a process is nothing short of intense. These unrestored vehicles will be pored over and all of the parts and components will be thoroughly checked for originality and date codes. The judging team will literally spend hours inside, outside and underneath these vehicles. Once complete your car will be identified as having completed a thorough exhausting inspection process, which references factory standards.

We understand not every original car is 100% untouched, and we want to recognize those cars by offering four levels of certification. The certification levels are awarded based on our program guidelines and at a level certified by Vintage Legend Judging Team.

Vintage Legend Certifications levels are divided into four divisions:

Vintage Legend - Cars that are 80%-90% unrestored in all reference areas.

Vintage Legacy - Cars that are minimally 50% unrestored, in three out of five reference areas.

Vintage Reference - Cars that are unrestored in at least one Vintage Reference Area.

Vintage Icon - Cars that have original-unrestored components disbursed throughout.

Reference Areas: Certification consists of two areas of consideration, Originality (90%) and Preservation (10%). Reference areas are as follows:

- Engine Compartment Area
- Exterior Body
- Interior Body
- Underbody
- Trunk