

Run any 15x7 wheel you want as long as...

Posted by SvoChuck - 08 Jun 2009 01:39

So someone has Fuchs or BBS or what ever . And they want to use them in 944-spec . How about run what ever wheel you want but the weight has to be no less than a cookie. We could measure a cookie with a worn out corded tire on it and set that as the min weight. or new min could be a late PD.

Any added weight has to be on the out side section of the wheel (inside) .

for the no rules changes crowd keep using what you have it's the same. for the fuch group you can run them but add the weight to make them equal.

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Re:Run any 15x7 wheel you want as long as...

Posted by mcmotorsports - 10 Jun 2009 21:35

I think that adding weight to a wheel is not a good idea, possibly allowing other wheels than PD and Cookies is kinda iffy with me simply for the fact that used cookies and phone dials are SIGNIFICANTLY cheaper than any new aftermarket wheel. \$40 a piece versus \$120 at a minimum. Why give another rule to have to enforce? Why give someone another area to possibly stretch the rules? What is the benefit? Availability? Not sure on this one guys. I mean, someone could have connections to a wheel manufacturer (like me) and can have a custom wheel made that is 15x7 but as said, manufactured with a heavier center to make weight but ultimately, the lighter weight outer shell of the wheel could be a safety issue. When you open up gray areas for racers, they usually will take advantage of it and sacrifice safety for speed. Just my .02

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Re:Run any 15x7 wheel you want as long as...

Posted by joepaluch - 10 Jun 2009 22:45

Porsche is sort of unique in the world of aftermarket wheels. Due to the 5x130 bolt pattern very few standard aftermarket wheels work on Porsches. Those that do tend to be very pricey. It all comes down to a unique bolt diameter. As such finding "cheap" aftermarket wheels is hard in the first place. As soon as you say "custom" prices go up. It is not like we are spec miata with 20-30 options for aftermarket wheels.

No better to stay with stock wheels and cookies and phone dials at that. Personally the only way I would be ok with non stock wheels would be we have supply/age issue. For example we can't get these wheels anymore used or the ones we are getting are too old and possibly could fail. As of now I have

not heard of either issue.

BTW... can anyone even point to a off the shelf aftermarket 15x7 wheel with proper bolt patten and offset? Other than a "fuchs copy"; I don't think I have ever seen one made in the last 15 years. I know BBS and Epilson made some back in 80's, but anything in current production?

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