

# Grassroots Motorsports Programs

## Road Racing

HPD supports amateur racers taking part in SCCA and NASA club events across the country, as well as at licensed “track day” events, solo and autocross competition, rallying, and in various “spec” categories such as Ariel Atom and Honda Challenge events.

In addition to providing parts and engineering support, HPD pays contingency awards to racers in a variety of categories, including professional and amateur Formula F racing, the SCCA Pirelli World Challenge, IMSA Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge, B-Spec Honda Fit competition, SCCA club racing and the NASA national championships.

## B-Spec and Honda Civic Si

HPD joined with Mazda to introduce the new entry-level “B-Spec” category, first in SCCA club racing and later in the professional-level SCCA Pirelli World Challenge. Other manufacturers have also joined the category, with eligible models now including the Fiat 500, Mini Cooper and Ford Fiesta.

HPD has also developed a competition version of the Honda Civic Si for competition in a variety of series and categories, including SCCA and NASA club racing; the SCCA Pirelli World Challenge; IMSA Continental Tire Sports Car Challenge; U.S. Touring Car Championship and Canadian Touring Car Championship; and import drag racing.

## HPD B-Spec Rally Fit

Designed for both stage rallying and Rallycross, the HPD B-Spec Rally Fit expands the concept of low-cost “B-Spec” competition from its road-racing origins. The prototype HPD B-Spec Rally Fit is campaigned by the Ohio-based Team Honda Research (THR) Rally team.

The Fit utilizes the same competition components introduced with the debut of B-Spec racing at the 2010 25 Hours of Thunderhill by Team Honda Research West, including the roll cage, suspension, camber adjusters, brake lines, brake pads and exhaust system. The transition from pavement to dirt is completed by raising the car on its suspension, and installing BF Goodrich off-road tires specific to the conditions.

Recognizing the potential of B-Spec, the Rally America National Championship included the category as part of the organization’s Manufacturers’ National Championship program, beginning in 2013.

The Manufacturers’ National Championship pits Rally America’s most commonly found manufacturer brands – such as Honda, Subaru, Ford, Mitsubishi, and Volkswagen – against one another. Every driver in the Overall, SP, 2WD and B-Spec Class has a stake in his or her manufacturer’s outcome, as the top finishing car in each category wins that driver’s brand a total of 22 points after each round.