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Become a hero! Competition spin-offs from the Market

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The rules of homologation have shaped some fascinating road cars over the years, with competition performance, technology and aesthetics brought straight to the streets. Although they were produced in relatively small numbers, the Classic Driver Market is full of notable examples...

Thankfully, some of the most exciting competition series have required cars to be 'production-based': take the Group 3 Grand Touring category (which necessitated 250 GTO production), the GT1 class at Le Mans, or the famous Group B rally category of the 1980s. The rules resulted in 'homologation specials' of all shapes, sizes and configurations, but all with one thing in common: the quest to achieve the best possible performance, while meeting the legal requirements of the road – often by the very narrowest of margins.

The process has given us some legendary competition cars reverse-engineered for the road, so here's a selection of some of our favourites in the Market.

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