

## **2023 Hartford Fair Antique Tractor Pull Rules**

### **Pulling will be done from Heaviest to Lightest Weights**

#### **General Rules:**

1. All pullers must be current members of the Land of Legend Antique Tractor Club (LOLATC). Memberships will be available throughout the week of the fair, and on the day of the pull. All tractors entered into the pull must be on the fairgrounds the entire week of the fair in the LOLATC display.
2. Any tractor or puller that is found to be unsafe or illegal might be disqualified or barred from hooking. No alcoholic beverages will be permitted.
3. Drivers must stay on the seat of the tractor at all times. Hands must be on the steering wheel, hand brakes, hand clutch, or throttle at all times during the pull.
4. Pullers are advised to be on your tractor and in line when your class is called. If you miss your pull, you will be put at the end of the line. If you miss your second call, then you forfeit your entry fee.
5. Any part falling off the tractor after being hooked and until the tractor is unhooked will result in disqualification.
6. Contact point of tractor must remain in bounds at all times. Out of bounds will result in disqualification.
7. When starting engines, the operator must be in the seat. Starting engines while standing on the ground is prohibited. The only exception is hand crank start engines.
8. Unattended tractors with engines running are prohibited. This rule applies to the pit area, staging area, track area, and all show ground areas.
9. Age – the puller must be 16 years of age, have a driver's license, and written parental/guardian permission. (Fair board will supply permission documents.)
10. One hook is allowed per class or per driver. Tractor can only pull twice per class – one trophy per tractor. It is \$10.00 per hook per class.
11. Trophies will be given for first, plaques for second, and rosettes for third place in each class – no monetary prizes.
12. Arguing or using foul language with judges, officials, or any track personnel is grounds for disqualification and you will be asked to leave immediately.
13. Torque Assist may be used if it came from the factory on the tractor.
14. Wheelie bars are recommended for all classes, but is not mandatory.
15. Kill switches are recommended but not mandatory – per sled operator.
16. Weigh-in will start at 8:00 a.m., pulls start at 9:00 a.m., and we must be finished by 3:00 p.m.
17. LOLATC club members will be present at scales to verify weight and hitch height.
18. One re-pull allowed up to 50 feet – second pull counts!
19. Speed will be checked and horn will be sounded for excessive speed. Two warnings, and on the third horn you are disqualified!
20. No steel wheels, dualies, radials, loose weights, tire chains, or front wheel assist allowed.
21. Tractor appearance – Tractors should maintain original stock appearance – if a part is not found in the manufacturer's parts book, it cannot be used. Exception would be weight brackets, hang-on weights, wheels, rims, hubs, drawbar, muffler, and air cleaner (where specific rules apply) – battery boxes may be moved from stock mounting locations – homemade side shields will not be permitted.
22. All rules will be interpreted by the Rules Committee with their rulings being final.

### **DIVISION I (Antique Field Stock):**

1. Year 1975 and older tractors. If specific tractor's model year is after 1975 but the tractor model was produced in 1975 or prior, specific tractor is eligible to pull (for example, pull participant wishes to pull a 1976 International Harvester Model 1066. Because the 1066 model tractor was produced from 1972 to 1976, the tractor is allowed to pull.).
2. Weight classes of 3500, 4500, 5500, 6500, 7500, 8500, and 10,000 lbs.
3. Speed – any gear, low range, and not to exceed 3.0 MPH.
4. Weights – bolt on type to either front or back wheels, factory weights only. Custom fabricated weight brackets are permitted. No weights are allowed to be placed on the custom fabricated weight brackets. Factory front weights may be used if they were made for that tractor. Front end weight brackets and weights are not to extend further than 11 ft. from center of rear axle. Back weights must not extend past the rear wheels. Any factory-made weight may be used on any model of tractor.
5. Engine – stock block, naturally aspirated – stock RPM – distributors can be used on Antique Tractors – electronic ignitions and MSD coils are permitted – manifolds are to be replacement-manufactured parts accepted for that make and model tractor.
6. Drawbar – Factory draw bar or fabricated hitch must be minimum of 24" back from the center of the rear axle and 18" off of the ground.
7. No cut tires!!! Allowable tire size up to 15.5x38 or what originally available per manufacturer. 7500 lb, 8500 lb. and 10,000 lb. Standard Tractors are allowed up to and including 18.4 tires – must be factory stock size tire that came on tractor.

### **DIVISION II (Antique Pro Stock):**

1. Year 1975 and older tractors. If specific tractor's model year is after 1975 but the tractor model was produced in 1975 or prior, specific tractor is eligible to pull (for example, pull participant wishes to pull a 1976 International Harvester Model 1066. Because the 1066 model tractor was produced from 1972 to 1976, the tractor is allowed to pull.).
2. Weight classes of 3500, 4000, 4500, 5000, 5500, 6000, 6500, 7500, 8500 and 10,000 lbs.
3. Speed – any gear and not to exceed 4.5 MPH – no speed shifting!!
4. Weights – suitcase weights and custom fabricated weight brackets permitted. Front-end weight brackets and weights are not to extend further than 11 ft. from center of rear axle. Back weights must not extend past the rear wheels – stops on the ends of the weight brackets are to be no closer than 4 inches to the rear tire/wheel – all weights are to be secured to the tractor or weight brackets with a 1" ratchet strap fastener, pinned, or bolted.
5. Engine – stock block, naturally aspirated – stock head, manifold and carburetor – 10% margin of error on RPM's will be permitted – straight exhaust pipes will be permitted – air filter must be used, although it may be of any type – electronic ignitions and MSD coils will be permitted.
6. Drawbar – Factory draw bar or fabricated hitch must be minimum of 18" back from the center of the rear axle and 18" off of the ground.
7. Only cut tires allowed are top cut tires (no alteration to front edge of tread).
8. Any width rim allowed – pressed steel wheels are allowed to front and rear tires