## **Lawnmower Rules**

Drivers will inspect each other's mowers before the driver's meeting and will bring up any concerns after the meeting with the officials. During the competition you must initiate contact within 60 seconds. If rolled over, the heat will be stopped, lawnmower will be placed back on its wheels, and driver will be eliminated. Driver must wear helmet, pants, long sleeve shirt, and eye protection when entering the track and during the derby. If mower does not pass inspection, or participant refuses to fix something, there will be no refunds. NUMBER MUST BE SOMEWHERE ON EACH SIDE OF MOWER. NUMBER MAY BE ON HELMET ALSO.

The garden or lawnmower must have a factory frame, no homemade frames.

Must be a front engine mower, no rear engines allowed.

All mowers must have factory stock engines.

Transaxles must be factory; reinforcing or spider gears is allowed.

Reinforcing the frame is permitted.

Reinforcing around engine is allowed but cannot be outside of the hood.

Hoods must remain factory. Hoods can be screwed down or welded. If hood is fiberglass, you can make a hood from sheet metal, but it is not allowed to be any bigger than the fiberglass hood was.

Brakes must be in operation when pulling in for heat race, must also have forward and reverse gear.

Gas tank must be fastened with cap on if it comes loose or gas leaks you will be disqualified.

Some sort of leg guard is mandatory before entering arena, must go from rear fender to front footrest or frame, and must be of 1-2 inch diameter.

The front of the frame under grill may be strengthened for hitting but must be a smooth finish, no front bumpers allowed.

A rear bumper is recommended, but not mandatory. It cannot extend 4 inches out from rear of mower. Some sort of back protection is recommended, but not mandatory.

Pulleys can be changed to increase speed.

Drivetrain modifications are allowed to change gearing but must stay original. (belt drive stays belt drive, chain drive stays chain drive)

Wheels must have factory rims with no modifications, tires of choice. No dual wheels or cut tires.

Mower decks must be taken off before entering pits, plus all headlights and any other plastics must be removed before entering pit area.