

SOUTHWESTERN ANTIQUE TRACTOR ASSOCIATION PULL RULES – Eff. 2026 Regular Pulling Season

1. The tractor or model series must have started production in 1965 and prior.
2. Draw-bar height is 20" maximum; no closer than 18" from the center of the rear axle - See Appendix A
3. Max tire size in the 4mph class is 16.9-38, Max tire size in the 6mph class is 18.4-38. Refer to rule 13 for permitted cuts in each class.
4. All tractors must have working governors.
5. A 50 pound weight allowance is allowed for all classes.
6. Maximum RPM's are 30% over stock for the 4mph class. 3,000 RPM max for 6mph and above.
7. All tractors must have a D ring or a twisted clevis to pull. See Appendix A for Specifications
8. Hook fees for members will be \$15. Must be a member to pull.
 - a. Non-member hook fees are \$20 per hook
 - b. Student hook fees are \$5
 - c. All exhibition pulls require a \$15 hook fee
 - d. All new members who have never been a member to the club before will get one free hook included with their membership fee
 - e. Hook Fees for Special Events will be set by Board of Directors
 - f. Hook fees are non-refundable for Memorial classes, bracket pull entries, or specialty pulling events. If a breakdown occurs during or prior to one of these classes, the tractor must be inspected and refund approved by at least 2 board members. Refunds will be issued if the pull is canceled or shortened due to a weather related event. Refunds are eligible for our normal pulling classes during regular events if the refund is requested before the class begins for any reason.
 - g. Memorial Class Pulls - 50% payback to top 3 winners and remaining funds collected will be paid to St. Jude's at the end of the year as a lump sum.
9. If your club dues are not currently paid up, you are not considered a member. Membership runs from April 1 to March 31 of the following year. Every member will sign a waiver release form that will be in effect for the current year. Waivers for minors under 18 must be signed by a parent or guardian.
10. Draw-bars cannot be connected to a hydraulic or motor lift. Exception: Tractors with factory hitches connected to lifts. They must have stays or ability to be pinned or bolted so lifts cannot raise hitch point above 20". If rock-shafts are used as brace points, there must be a slip type connection made.
11. Tractors may be weighted with any manufactured tractor wheel weight, bolted onto wheels.
12. During a pull, if the front or rear tractor tires crossover or into the white boundary line, the pull will count as Disqualified, and puller will receive 0 points for that pull.
13. Top cut tires, meaning no modifications to the front of the lug or belly of the tire, only the top of the lug, are permitted in the 4 mph class. Full Cut/Any cut tires are permitted in the 6 mph class.
14. Protesters will be charged \$25 to make a protest. Protesters must be pulling in the same class and be a member. Protesters will be checked first and the protest must be made before the

tractor leaves the track. Money must be paid before equipment/tractor is checked. If the protest is correct, money will be returned to the protester and if not the club will keep the money. Protest must be made to any board member or at the announcer's stand.

15. No drugs or alcoholic beverages allowed.
16. Hang on suitcase weights allowed, also factory front frame weights. See Appendix B in reference to hang on weights and bracket specifications
17. Pullers may pull as many classes as they are eligible with the exemption that the tractor must meet the rules for the class they are pulling; For reference, a tractor that meets 4mph rules would be able to pull in the 6mph class as the tractor complies with the rules for 6mph, however an eligible 6mph tractor cannot pull in the 4mph class due to tire size or tire cut;
 - a. No tractor can pull more than once in the same class even with a different driver
 - b. Should a person pull a tractor at 4 mph and chooses to move to 6 mph at another pull the points DO NOT MOVE
 - c. The same tractor will not be allowed to pull the 4mph and the 6mph classes the same day, regardless of tire size and cut
18. Racing fuel is allowed. NO external gases or nitrous injected into the engine.
19. No Turbos or any type of Forced Air Induction.
20. All SWATA rules will apply to any pull that uses SWATA equipment
21. No shifting of tractor gears while sled is in motion, including torque amplifiers
22. Engines may not be altered in external appearance
23. If any part or object attached to your tractor falls off while pulling, pull will be disqualified
24. Puller must maintain seat contact at all times during the pull, or pull will be disqualified
25. Everyone must be behind the white boundary line on the track while the pulling tractor is moving, except the sled operators and puller. Anyone on the track will disqualify the puller.
26. No altered wheelbase in overall length of tractor
27. All tractors pulling in the Southwestern Antique Tractor Association must have wheelie bars that meet the specifications referenced in Appendix C
28. 4 MPH Tractors must maintain stock appearance except for chrome exhaust, aftermarket air filters and press steel wheels
29. Pullers must sign up before a class starts in order to pull in that class
30. The sled is equipped with a speed limit horn. There is an unlimited amount and time the horn can blow BEFORE half track, or the distance set by the Board of Directors. If the horn blows and the front of the sled pan is PAST the speed cone, the pull is Disqualified. Puller will receive 0 championship points for the pull.
31. All pulls will pull light to heavy
32. All tractors must either have a fan shroud equal to factory equipment, or side shields due to safety concerns for all classes.
33. If a Board Member requests for your tractor to go back across the scales after you pull, and you do not comply, you will be disqualified from the class.

34. If Pull is ruled as Disqualified for any reason, the puller will receive 0 championship points for that pull.

Weight Classes Offered:

3000	5250
3250	5500
3500	5750 Jackpot Only
3750	6000
4000	6500
4250	7000
4500	7500
4750	8000
5000	

NOTE: No tractor may pull that weighs more than 8,000 pounds plus the allowance. Maximum weight: 8,050 pounds

Classes and Points System – New Points System – Voted on with Members Present on 4/19/25 at first pull, as a result of discussion at annual business meeting 11/16/2024. Motion Carried to Adopt new system.

Finish Place	Points Received
1	22
2	19
3	16
4	14
5	12
6	10
7	8
8	6
9	4
10	2
11 th place and below	1
DQ	0

- All pullers must pull at least half of the points pulls throughout the season to be eligible for points awards.

Appendix A – Drawbar and D-ring Specifications

- In an effort to enforce new drawbar rules some specifics are being added. It should be understood that SWATA drawbar rules were modified some years ago to allow everyone to get to the 20" maximum height; this meant that drawbars were no longer "Stock", to meet new rules; there may be stock drawbars that have to be changed. All other drawbar rules still apply such as 18" minimum from drawbar hole to center of rear axle and slip type joints from hydraulic lifts.
- All tractors must have a D ring or a twisted clevis to pull
 - D ring must be a minimum of 3" wide x 3" inches deep on the inside and must be a minimum of ½ inch in diameter.
 - Twisted clevis must have a minimum of a ¾ inch hitch pin

Appendix B – Hang on Weights and Bracket Specifications

Factory or Custom Suitcase weights are permitted. Brackets must meet specifications below;

- 11' from center of rear axle max length to the furthest point forward whether that is the bar or the weight itself
- Rear hang on weights cannot extend past the outer circumference of the rear tire
- If any weights fall off during the pull, the pull will be disqualified

Appendix C – Wheelie Bar Specifications

- The front edge of the stabilizer pad cannot be further forward than the rear most portion of the tire
- 10" Maximum height above ground
- Pad size 5 x 5 x 1/4 inch thick.
- 20" Minimum across pads from outside to outside
- The wheelie bar must be able to support the weight of the tractor in the heaviest class pulled. To test, jack up the pads so the tractor is completely off the ground.

The wheelie bars and draw bars will be inspected by officials while tractor is on the scales