

# SHERMAN COUNTY FAIR DEMOLITION DERBY

## RULES & REGULATIONS (CARS)

- 1) **Our priority is to have a safe and enjoyable demolition derby for both you the contestants and our spectators. Un-sportsman like conduct by any contestant or pit crew member will not be tolerated.** Anyone violating this rule will be automatically disqualified from the derby and depending on the severity of the situation they may be banned from all future demolition derbies. Final decisions will be at the discretion of the derby coordinator and the fair board.
- 2) **WE ARE NOT LIABLE IF YOU GET HURT.** Drivers & pit crew members you are at your own risk. A completed release of liability form must be submitted before the derby starts. This is part of your required paperwork
- 3) A valid driver's license is required for all driving participants. **Drivers and pit crew members must be 18 years of age. No Exceptions!!**
- 4) Drinking or possession of any alcoholic beverages in the pit area by any driver or pit crew member is prohibited and will result in being disqualified from participation. Possession or use of marijuana is also prohibited, Sherman County Fairgrounds is a Tabaco free grounds, and this is a county policy and county property.
- 5) Bad conduct, nuisance behavior, or any act that in any way jeopardizes the spectators or the Demolition Derby in general will result in immediate expulsion from the grounds.
- 6) All drivers, pit crews & vehicles shall be on premises at 1:00 p.m. Saturday August 27th, 2022 for Derby Check in. Time Trials will start following completion of car inspections, all paperwork must be completed upon check in. No exceptions.
- 7) Eligible vehicles: any stock American production passenger car or station wagon. No convertibles will be allowed. No compact, sub-compact or foreign cars allowed.
- 8) Any additional welding to factory seams, i.e. frame supports, sub frames or interior structures is strictly prohibited. Other than what is allowed in Rules Number 10, 15,17,21,22 & 36. **AFTER COMPLETION OF THE FIRST HEAT, YOU ARE ALLOWED TO WELD UP TO A 6-INCH WELD FOR FRAME PATCHES.**

- 9) All glass, including windshield, must be removed from the car prior to arrival at the fairgrounds, this includes glass fragments or pieces from any location on the automobile, including door wells. All chrome, trim and grillwork must be removed, including but not limited to any plastic trim work, license plates, frames and any fastening devices not in use (i.e. molding, clips, lights, bevels, etc.) No siren or other noise maker will be allowed on any vehicles. Additionally, no fixtures of any kind may be mounted on the outside of the car.
- 10) A radiator is ***optional***, if you have one it must be in original factory mounting location. Additional bracing, welding or strutting of radiator mounting location or radiator core will not be allowed. Additionally, extra cooling apparatus of any kind is not acceptable. No remote mounting of any cooling devices.
- 11) Batteries must be installed in an approved battery box, which must be secured to the car. Plastic covering must enclose the entire battery. The enclosure must be attached to either the auto or battery box, with fasteners a minimum of 3/8 inch thickness and placed away from doors on front passenger floorboard.
- 12) Enclosed or fireproof air cleaners are required on the engine at all times.
- 13) A toggle type ignition kill switch connected to the ignition coil or distributor is required and must be placed in an easily accessible position for the driver.
- 14) Rear seat back must remain in original position with original mounting or better. Station wagons must have rear seat in upright position and be locked in such a way to prevent it from collapsing downward.
- 15) All doors, trunk lid and hoods must be fastened with 3/16 in. chain (**minimum**) and 5/16 in. chain (**maximum**) or welded. **CHAINING OF TRANSMISSION AND MOTOR MOUNTS IS OPTIONAL.**
- 16) Two chains shall be wrapped around the front hood to the bumper or front support, one on each side. One chain on the rear of the hood connected to the fire wall or something solid to protect the driver. No metal bars on windshield. **Optional expanded metal on driver's side windshield secured with ½ inch bolts every 6 inches is allowed.**
- 17) Driver's door must be FILLED solid with concrete or reinforced with a flat steel bar (or grader blade) of minimum 6-inch width and 3/16 inch thickness and must have

rounded edges, mounted horizontally, extending across the door and extend a minimum of 6 inches beyond the door gap on each end and not over 12-inches (two bars across the door is optional). The bar needs to be fastened with six, 7/16-inch thickness bolts spaced evenly. The threaded portion of the bolts extending to the inside door. **Hitting of the driver's side door is prohibited and may result in expulsion from the event.** Driver's door must be painted ORANGE, and only the door can be painted ORANGE. No other orange is allowed on the car. Numbers on the driver's door will be painted black. This is to eliminate door hits. Flat steel bar (or grader bar) or concrete is optional on the passenger door. **Steel may extend 6 inches beyond the door gap, Passenger door reinforcement is optional and most reinforcement should be on the inside of door.**

- 18) Tires shall be stock size. Studded and paddle type are not allowed. No water, foam or any foreign substance is permitted inside of the tires.
- 19) Fenders may be cut out for tire clearance.
- 20) A padded headrest may be installed, (is encouraged for added safety of the driver)
- 21) Suspension may only be altered to restore factory height specifications. **It may not be altered in any other manner.** Coil spring inserts are not allowed, nor are extended leaf spring shackles. **Coil over suspensions must be chained.**
- 22) The gas tank can be of larger size than 6 gallons capacity, but cannot exceed 6 gallons of fuel at any given time. **(Derby officials will be checking to make sure you meet this standard)**. It may be a plastic, boat gas tank and can be made of steel, but must have venting. It shall be placed in the middle where the back seat was located and fastened down to prevent movement to judges' satisfaction. **Original gas tank must be removed from the car.**
- 23) Venting mechanisms must have a check valve to prevent fuel spillage at all times, including a roll-over.
- 24) Each pit crew area and driver must have 2 1/3 lb. BC type fire extinguisher fully charged, securely mounted and available at all times. Drivers must have a full extinguisher in the car.

- 25) Each driver is **REQUIRED TO WEAR A HELMET DURING ALL HEATS!!**  
**No helmet NO participation!! No Exceptions!!**
- 26) Each car must use the number assigned to it by the judge/official. Additional numbers and substitutions are not allowed. (number on the top of the roof will be allowed)
- 27) One person in the vehicle only. No passengers allowed and there is a 4 person pit crew maximum.
- 28) **Safety belts are mandatory and must be used by the driver.** Original safety belt equipment must be used without modification. If any auto was not originally equipped with belts, they must be installed to factory specifications (i.e. bolted to the floor with minimum of 1/2 inch diameter bolts).
- 29) All cars and debris must be removed from the Derby grounds or sold to junk dealers at the end of the day's events. Any vehicle or debris left on the grounds will be towed at the owner's expense.
- 30) **FLAGS** – Green > Start; Red > Danger; stop all activity (siren will blow). Announcer will call drivers out of cars, when safe to do so. Checkered > event is complete.
- 31) **All cars subject to a compliance check at any time.** No prize money will be awarded to any driver without a completed compliance inspection.
- 32) **All cars must be equipped with a red flag.** Flag must be a 2 feet by 2 feet square and located with the vehicle. If the driver should become injured or out the flag must be displayed. If there is a fire in the vehicle the flag must be displayed.
- 33) **All cars must be equipped with a white flag.** Flag must be a 2 feet by 2 feet square. If car is disabled, driver must display the flag. Once flag is up, the car is off limits to other cars in the arena. Once the flag is up, the car is out of action for any given event. The flag must remain up until the event is over.
- 34) Time trials will be held following the check in at 6:30 p.m.
- 35) **FINAL EVENTS:** Crash to the finish. All cars entered in this event must have competed all of the preliminary heats. The winner is the last car that is able to move. Any car sitting out for two minutes or more is disqualified. Contact must be maintained in a manner sufficient to satisfy the judges. Drivers must remain in their

cars at all times during any event. Pit crews are not allowed in the arena area at any time during the heat. **A post derby inspection will be performed on the winner.**

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- Late entries are accepted subject to space availability.
- **Judges have final say in all matters and may disqualify any car for any reason.**
- All vehicles must be at the arena for inspection no later than 6:30 p.m. Saturday August 27, 2022. Time trials will start when directed by derby coordinator upon final inspections and completion of all proper paperwork. Cars will be drawn to determine which heat they are in.
- An entrance charge at the back gate will be in place, please let Keegan Kock know your pit crew names as soon as possible for delivery of passes timely.

FOR MORE INFORMATION OR ANSWERS TO QUESTIONS CONCERNING THE RULES, PLEASE CONTACT- Keegan Kock 541-993-9044