

Pulling Rules for Big Creek Tractor Pullers Association (BCTPA)

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1. Entry Fee: Driver membership fee is \$150.00 per year.
Memberships are paid at the Annual Meeting or to be paid in full on tech day.
Must be 14 years of age to run a 4-cylinder tractor.
Memberships are non-transferable and non-refundable.
Tractors can have multiple drivers, but each driver is to pay a membership fee.
2. If you are a first-time puller with BCTPA and would like to try to pull:
 - There is a \$25.00 per day hook fee.
 - Not able to pull at away pulls.
 - Pulls will not count for points.
 - No voting on club discussions or meetings
3. All tractors must be teched by the club. Technical checks can only be done at home pulls and must be completed by 2 members (1 being an Executive).
4. All drivers must wear helmets, shirts, closed toe shoes and long pants when pulling.
5. All members working the track including those flagging must wear closed toe shoes.
6. The BCTPA track will be 25 feet wide by 250 feet long, marked with chalk lines, pylons, and fire extinguishers.
7. This is a club, and everyone is to help set up, work the track and put stuff away at the end of the pull. No need to be asked or told – we all play a valuable part and the help from everyone is appreciated and needed.
8. A pull will consist of two runs down the track.
9. Control of the Track:
 - Sled Operator and One (1) flagman at the end of the track always have control of the track. Driver should always be able to see the flagman at the end of the track.
Away / Show Pulls - One flagman at the 75' mark and the second at the 250' mark
 - Once the lights on the sled are green and flags are green – driver may start to pull.
 - Flag person should always be in front of the puller, even after the 250' mark

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10. Absolutely no twisting of the “pull chain” at hookup.
11. Hitch height (13 inches) can be checked at anytime.
12. The driver will be given two attempts to cross the 75’ mark per run, except in the event of a pull off; where the driver is given 1 (one) attempt with a floating finish.
13. Being 1st puller: being the first puller gives you the option to turn down your first pull and pull again at the end of the pulling list. If you choose to do so, you must inform the track flagman and scorekeeper immediately after your pull.
First puller has the option to come back and pull regardless of going out of bounds before or after the 75’ mark or the sled being reset.
If the sled needs to be reset, being the 1st puller must come back and re-pull immediately after the sled has been reset.
Or puller can go to the end of the pulling list giving up the 1st puller advantage noted above.
This makes the 2nd puller become number 1, with the above option to accept or turn pull down their pull.
14. Out of Bounds: If the **tractor** goes out of bounds (white chalk line) after the 75’ mark, it will be classed “out of bounds” due to the ruling of the flagman. **Flagman** must inform the scorekeeper that they are out of bounds.
15. Upon doing your pull, the drivers “bottom/behind” must stay in the seat, both feet must be on the floorboards and no leaning back on the tractor. The flagman is control of the track will be the only one to monitor these actions.
16. Points go to the driver, not the tractor.
17. All measurements by the monitor will be final. If the monitor reader does not work, driver will repull.

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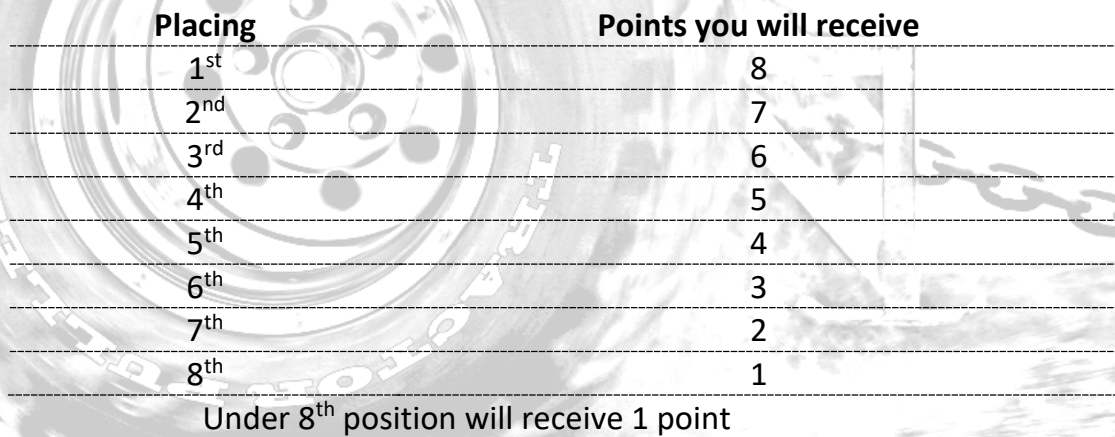
18. First round and Second round will be floating finish. Both these rounds will be totalled together to determine 1st, 2nd and 3rd for a pull off.
19. All tractors must cross the scale immediately after their pull for points to count. Weight will be recorded, and driver will initial the written weight.
 - If you are over 1,550 lbs – it is to be discussed immediately with an Executive present.
20. If you break on your 1st pull, you may drive another member's tractor if offered one for the 2nd pull. If a "Pull Off" situation arises, you must use the same tractor you used to get to the pull off.
21. Decisions of the executive board are final. Arguing or un-sportsmanship behaviour will not be tolerated and will result in disqualification.
22. Any issues or discussions that you have regarding the event of the day are to be addressed the same day with the named President and Vice President.
23. Troublemakers will not be tolerated.
"A member is not voted in but can certainly be voted out of the club."
24. "Hot-Rodding" your tractor at any time is not allowed.
25. Only members are permitted to drive tractors around the premises of the home track and at away pulls for safety reasons.
26. If you have a guest who would like to pull, they must sign the two waivers. The owner of the tractor will hook up tractor to the sled and remove the tractor from the track after the pull.
27. Away Pull Rules are the same as the Home Track Rules.
28. Only paid Club Members can pull at away pulls.
29. Setting of the sled to be at the discretion of Executive members only.
30. Alcohol beverages are to be after the pulls, not during and to be discrete.

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31. Points: The club runs for points, no money payouts. At the end of the year, points are calculated and this determines who places 1st, 2nd and 3rd.

- To receive points, you must hook a tractor to the sled and move at least 1 inch to receive point(s)
- You must be a full paid member.
- Points apply to all Home Track pulls.
- If you are found overweight – zero points are received.
- If you forget to weigh out – zero points are received.
- If hitch height is over – zero points are received.
- If anything falls off your tractor while going down the track – zero points are received.
- If you go out of bounds – zero points are received.



Placing	Points you will receive
1 st	8
2 nd	7
3 rd	6
4 th	5
5 th	4
6 th	3
7 th	2
8 th	1
Under 8 th position will receive 1 point	