COUNTY FAIR MOWER DEMO DERBY RULES

Mowers ONLY Rules form

REMEMBER – Just because it doesn't say you can't, doesn't automatically mean you can. **NO GRAY AREA BUILDING!** We will have bore scopes on hand on entry day this year and <u>ALL</u> cars will be scoped! Please help us to keep this fair for all who participate. We will not take the excuse "So-and-so let us run it this way at their demo." This is the Big Stone County Fair Demo and we will gladly entertain **IDEAS** on how to improve our demo but please don't try to do any questionable builds without at least asking first. Thank you in advance for your help, participation, & adherence to these rules. **READ & FOLLOW THESE RULES!!!** These rules were written to help protect you & the sport of Demolition Derby. Please read & abide by them. If you have questions please call. All rules will be enforced as fairly as possible by track officials & are not open to discussion. Track officials have the FINAL say! There will be NO arguing, fighting, etc. There will be a NO TOLERANCE rule for this year, this goes for on or off the track and will include threats made on social media, text messages, etc. as well. Drivers, pitmen, fans, & spectators will ALL be on their best behavior at ALL times this year or track officials do reserve the right to stop an event, escort offender(s) & belongings off the grounds, & disqualify or ban offender(s) for any amount of time they see fit. Track officials also reserve the right to end or cancel any event or remainder of events at any time if they so choose.

DEMO COMPETITION & SAFETY RULES - (These apply to ALL drivers and pit crew)

- 1. No driver or pitman thought to be under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be allowed to participate, enter or remain in exhibition or pit area. NO ALCOHOL IN PIT AREA BEFORE OR DURING EVENT! Violation WILL result in disqualification and forfeiture of entry fees/winnings. Leave it at the check-in booth or leave it at home the beer garden will be open following the demo events held during the fair.
- 2. For their safety, <u>NO CHILDREN</u> under the age of 12 will be allowed in to the pit area, bring proof of age, we will check.
- 3. Minors under 18 must have a legal guardian's written <u>& NOTARIZED</u> consent to pit and to compete. You must be at least 12yrs old & be PRE-REGISTERED & provide a <u>NOTARIZED</u> permission from their legal guardian to compete. THIS WILL BE RIGHT OR YOU WILL NOT RUN OR PIT!!!
- 4. No one with a serious preexisting health issue or pregnant women are allowed to participate for their own safety.
- 5. **EVERYONE** entering the pit/event area is required to sign **their own name** and car they are with on the entrance waiver before entering pit/event areas.
- 6. Minimum of 3 units to run each class, entry money will be returned if not enough units. All classes MAY run heats.
- 7. Yelling at, use of profanity toward, or interrupting an official during inspection will result in disqualification and occurrences while trying to monitor the event will result in RED FLAGING of the event and offender(s) will be escorted from the event area before the event will resume. This will also mean disqualification and forfeiture of fees/winnings. Drivers tell your pit crew to keep their tongues in check, as this goes for them as well and will count against you!
- 8. Pit crew, drivers not in current event and spectators must stay out of the safety zone that will be explained at the pit meeting as this area is for officials and fire & safety crews ONLY! Absolutely NO GRAND STAND SPECTATORS IN THE PITS until the conclusion of the final event of the day! PITS CLOSE AT ADVERTIZED START TIME!!!
- 9. All drivers and Pit crew are required to attend the pit meeting shortly before the event.
- 10. Any questions/concerns will be addressed at the pit meeting, not anytime after. Only drivers may speak with concerns.
- 11. The officials reserve the right to disqualify any demo unit or driver determined to be unsafe to drive or not in the spirit of the rules before, during, or after any event. Yes, winning (or prospective winning) units WILL be re-inspected after heat and/or feature-so don't cheat! It is YOUR responsibility to adhere to these rules or you will forfeit entry fees/winnings.
- 12. BE ON TIME. Late entries will be accepted to a limit but will be charged extra. Do not enter pit area early. Check-In times will be <u>listed on entry form(s)</u> but will typically last for 2 hours, 3 hrs before event to 1hr before event. Entries may be taken for 15mins after that if a \$30 late penalty is paid. Entry must be paid BEFORE your car will be inspected. Have your hood open for inspection! You'll be allowed to make adjustments to pass if you fail your first inspection. ONLY 3 INSPECTIONS PER UNIT. NO units will be REINSPECTED after 30 mins to advertized start time!
- 13. No hot-rodding or racing in/through the pits. Keep it at an idle, failure to do so will result in disqualification!
- 14. Drivers will have 1 min to make a legal, metal bending hit on participating units, no exceptions.
- 15. If your car dies you will have 1 min. to restart, then 30 sec. to make a hit.
- 16. No team driving or sandbagging or hiding in the comer to finish at the end, this IS your warning.
- 17. When demo unit is driven 50% out of bounds, you are disqualified unless forced out. Doesn't matter if you MISSED!
- 18. Dead or disqualified units will remain in the event arena until the end of the heat. Drivers will remain in the demo unit WITH HEMET ON unless a red flag condition allows them to exit the arena safely or, obviously, to escape fire injury.
- 19 Fire will disqualify you for that race. Extinguisher suggested in unit Fire Extinguisher Required in pit.
- 20. No wireless communication equipment allowed.
- 21. All motion will stop immediately upon signal(s) from the officials in case of fire, injury or emergency.
- 22. We are an IMPOUND DEMO You will unload, pass inspection, and immediately line up your Demo Unit in the impound area so it is ready to enter the event area. Officials will watch over the cars. NO LOITERING IN IMPOUND AREA!
- 23 You must remove your demo unit/ equipment from the grounds as soon as possible but no later than Sunday one week following the event or the fair board will consider it abandoned and will remove it and the owner(s) will be charged any

expense of removal and disposal. Further, any Demo unit/equipment remaining on the property longer than 30 days after said event shall be deemed to be abandoned and the fair board may dispose of the property as its own.

24. Full-face helmet, and proper eye protection required! Full length shirt & pants required. No open toed shoes.

ADDITIONAL RULES FOR DEMO MOWERS – This is a WELD class

- 1. All of the Demo Competition & Safety Rules (1-24) apply with the following additions/exceptions:
- 2. Must be 12 to participate. Under 18 must have parent/guardian signed and notorized permission to participate.
- 3. Mower must be a factory available lawnmower or garden tractor with a maximum of 18 horsepower, 1 or 2 cylinder, vertical shaft motor. No horizontal shaft engines.
- 4. No rear engine mowers allowed. Engine must be factory mower engine (i.e. Briggs, Tecumseh, Kholer, etc.)
- 5. No frame modifications or reinforcement allowed unless specified.
- 6. Welding permitted using up to 1" Max welds with 3" minimum gaps. NO SOLID WELDING! You must build leg guards from foot pegs to rear fenders. This can be square tube, angle iron, or black pipe to protect your legs & feet. It must be welded or bolted & must stay in place or you will be disqualified. Shifter guard is strongly recommended to protect your hand/arm if shifter is mounted on fender.
- 7. You may have all thread up to ½" diameter to bolt hood to frame in no more than 2 places.
- 8. You may weld or bolt a small bracket to protect spark plug. This must be fastened to motor ONLY.
- 9. You may weld spider gears on C clip rear ends.
- 10. No welding or added bolting on steering, frame, or front axle. If it is a factory pivot front axle it must function.
- 11. Hood must stay stock & intact with the exception of replacing plastic/fiberglass hoods/panels with sheet metal but must stay same size/style as original. All mowers must run a factory hood & fenders & must have the hood either bolted or welded down to dash panel around driver area, bolts only NO SCREWS. 3/8" size max. Max of 6 bolts (3 per side).
- 12. Mowers must have working brakes and forward & reverse gears at the start of heat.
- 13. Engine bay reinforcement is permitted with up to 1" angle iron, 3/16" thickness. May have up to 2 uprights, 2 forwards, & 1 across to fasten hood/shields to. It must be contained INSIDE hood and maintain factory body lines. Reinforcements may come in contact with but may NOT be fastened to the motor in any way.
- 14. Gas tank with secure cap & a max of 1 gallon of gas must be secured in the cowl or entirely below the seat. Fuel fill neck cannot stick out. Officials reserve the right to disqualify any fuel tanks they deem unsafe to run. Any gas leak & you're done for heat.
- 15. A rear bumper is permitted but it is not allowed to extend more than 4" out & must stay inside the width of the inside of the rear tires. It may be no more than 1 ½" square tube or pipe & must not have any sharp edges, points, or protrusions. Bottom of bumper must not be below axle height. Halo Bar & seat protector behind seat REQUIRED & must connect to fenders or leg protection structure. Must have safety chain to hold seat from flipping up. NO SEATBELT REQUIRED!
- Changing of pulleys is permitted & encouraged. Any & all drive train modifications are permitted but must stay belt driven.
 No Chain, shaft, or friction drive mowers allowed.
- 17. All mowers must use lawnmower type rims. Tractor treads, cut or grooved tires permitted. No tire chains, studs, duals or all steel wheels are allowed. NO valve stem protectors. Tires must be filled with air only.
- 18. Mower deck and all other utilities must be removed (such as tillers, loaders, or snow blowers).
- 19. Plastic dash & steering wheels may be left in place, but all other glass, plastic, fiberglass & trim must be removed.
- 20. Batteries may be left in mower if it is properly secured & covered. Must be a mower or ATV battery. Any pull start engine must be able to be restarted from the seated position with the hood closed.
- 21. No front bumpers allowed. Front of mower must be factory style/strait front end. Top of hood may not measure over 36".
- 22. Mower must have number on each side and on top of hood. NO number tents/plates. Original style exhausts only.
- 23. FOR YOUR SAFETY if a mower rolls over all participants must stop & wait until the mower is upright & driver has safely exited the arena. If your hand or foot touches the ground you are done for that heat.
- 24. Mower inspections will be done by designated officials only. This is still a new event and if you see something or have ideas please call, ask questions, & learn. We want to keep this an inexpensive part of the sport we can all have fun with.
- 25. At officials' discretion, we reserve the right to change rules to keep the event fair & efficient. Officials' decisions are final.