

IT'S DEMOLITION DERBY TIME

Enclosed you will find the rules and regulations for the August 17, 2024 La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby. You will be able to have a car, mini-car and truck if you so choose. **Included this year is a Limited Weld Class for full sized vehicles.** The general derby rules & regulations apply to cars, trucks and mini-cars. Please read as we have changed some of the rules.

NEW THIS YEAR: The La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby will be held in Ignacio, CO. on August 17, 2024. The address is 200 E. Highway 151, Ignacio, CO.

Raceceivers will be mandatory for each driver.

Please make sure your pit crews are working crews only. Pit crews must wear shoes with enclosed toes. Family members need to sit in the general admission bleachers.

All Vehicles: Page 1, #13 No Sandbagging. (Determined by Track Officials) If a vehicle is found to be sandbagging the vehicle will be marked with a Bulls eye Target. This signifies to the other drivers who the sandbaggers are. If a driver is caught a second time, he or she will be disqualified. A yellow flag will be used for a warning.

In all classes, if there are less than 10 vehicles they will run one time and be finished. More than 10 will run in heats and a final heat.

All Derby Vehicles are to be removed from the Fairgrounds by Sunday, Aug, 18, 2024. It is your responsibility not the La Plata County Fair Board.

The Driver's Meeting will be at 10:30a.m. the day of the derby. Car inspections will start prior to Driver's meeting. Don't be late.

Phone Number: If you have any questions on building your car you may call Alex at 970-883-2272 Monday thru Friday, 6:30 a.m. to 5:00 p.m. or Bob at 970-749-6405.

Please, do not return any entries to the Extension Office. All information can be handled directly through Lynn Dobbins.

Hope to see you all at the derby!!

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THIS AGREEMENT HAS IMPORTANT LEGAL CONSEQUENCES – READ CAREFULLY

RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT

Name and location of: **La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby**
 Sky Ute Fairgrounds, 200 E. Hwy. 151
 Ignacio, Colorado 81137

IN CONSIDERATION of being permitted to enter, for any purpose, any RESTRICTED AREA (herein defined as including but not limited to the derby arena, competition area, areas reserved and intended for participants or restricted to the general public, and all walkways, concessions and other areas appurtenant to any area where any activity related to the event shall take place), and/or being permitted to officiate, work for, or for any purpose participate, in any way, in the event and demolition derby, THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself, his successors, assigns, personal representatives, heirs and next to kin:

1. **ACKNOWLEDGES, AGREES AND REPRESENTS** that he will immediately upon entering any such Restricted Area, and will continuously thereafter, inspect such Restricted Area and all portions thereof which he enters and which he comes in contact, and he does further warrant that his entry upon such Restricted Area and his participation, if any, in the event constitutes an acknowledgment that he has inspected such Restricted Area and that he finds and accepts the same as being safe and reasonably suited for the purpose of his use. If, at any time, he is in or about Restricted Areas and feels anything to be unsafe, he will immediately advise the officials of such and will leave the Restricted Area.
2. **COVENANTS NOT TO SUE AND RELEASES, WAIVES AND DISCHARGES** the participants, sanctioning organization or any subdivision thereof, derby committee, derby association, land owner, arena operators or owners, officials, any persons in the restricted area, promoters, sponsors, advertisers, La Plata County and each of them, their elected officials, officers, employees and agents (all for the purpose herein referred to as “Releasees”) from any and all losses, damages, costs and expenses including but not limited to attorneys’ fees and court costs), liabilities, claims, causes of action or demands of any nature related to or arising from participation in the demolition derby and event or access to the Restricted Area while the undersigned is in, on or upon an Restricted Area for any reason whatsoever, including but not limited to injury to the person or property or death of the undersigned, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise.
3. **AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS** the Releasees and each of them from any causes of action, judgments, losses, liabilities, damages, demands, claims or costs and expenses (including but not limited to attorneys’ fees and court costs) of any nature they may incur related to or arising, in any way, from the undersigned’s participation in the event and demolition derby or his access to the Restricted Area while the undersigned is in, on or upon the Restricted Area for any purpose, whether caused by the negligence of the Releasees or otherwise.
4. **ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH OR PROPERTY DAMAGE** due to the negligence of Releasees or otherwise while in, on or upon the Restricted Area and/or while competing, observing, officiating, working for or for any purpose participating in the event and demolition derby.

I, THE UNDERSIGNED, expressly acknowledge and agree that the ACTIVITIES OF THIS EVENT ARE VERY DANGEROUS AND INVOLVE THE RISK OF SERIOUS INJURY AND/OR DEATH AND/OR PROPERTY DAMAGE. I further expressly agree that the foregoing Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as is permitted by the law of the State of Colorado

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and that if any portion is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue to full legal force and effect.

I VOLUNTARILY SIGN MY NAME TO THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT EVIDENCING MY ACCEPTANCE OF THE ABOVE PROVISIONS and further agree that no oral representations, statements or inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made to me.

I HAVE READ THIS DOCUMENT. I UNDERSTAND THAT IT IS A RELEASE AND WAIVER OF ALL CLAIMS AND UNDERSTAND THAT I ASSUME ALL RISKS INHERENT TO THE DEMOLITION DERBY AND EVENT. I FURTHER UNDERSTAND THAT I AM AGREEING TO INDEMNIFY, SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS THE RELEASEES, AS SET FORTH IN TH AGREEMENT.

I ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT I AM UNDER NO PRESSURE OR DURESS TO SIGN THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT AND THAT I HAVE BEEN GIVEN A REASONABLE OPPORTUNITY TO REVIEW IT BEFORE SIGNING. I FURTHER ACKNOWLEDGE AND AGREE THAT I AM FREE TO HAVE MY OWN LEGAL COUNSEL REVIEW THIS RELEASE AND WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT IF I SO DESIRE.

I FURTHER UNDERSTAND AND AGREE THAT ABY SIGNING THIS AGREEMENT, I VOLUNTARY SURRENDER CERTAIN LEGAL RIGHTS.

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LA PLATA COUNTY FAIR DEMOLITION DERBY

RULES AND REGULATIONS

1. If vehicle does not pass inspection or driver is unwilling to change vehicle to pass inspection absolutely no refunds!
2. All vehicles must be at the event in time for the Driver's Meeting. Gates will be closed at this time. (No exceptions and you are not entitled to a refund.)
3. Entry forms must be received by or before driver's meeting. You may fax, mail or turn in day of event.
4. An official for any just reason may refuse you the right to race.
5. Vehicles are subject to re-inspection before any prize money is handed out. There is a \$100.00 cash protest fee that only the driver can make. The protest has to be made directly after the event.
6. JUDGES DECISIONS are final!!!
7. There will be no building of vehicles at the derby arena (build them at home please).
8. All drivers must have a fire extinguisher in their pit area
9. Only the driver and pit crew allowed in the pits. Pit crew is limited to 7. Licensed drivers only in the pits. No children!!! Closed toed shoes will be worn by all in pit area.
10. All drivers and pit crew must be 18 years of age or older. A liability waiver will be signed by all crew members.
11. NO ALCOHOL in the pits, if anyone is caught with alcohol, they will be disqualified, this includes their pit crew.
12. DO NOT hit the driver's door! Sometimes this happens but if it looks intentional or careless, you will be disqualified. Don't use your door as a shield; it may cause you to be disqualified.
13. NO SANDBAGGING. (**Determined by Track Officials**) If a vehicle is found to be sandbagging the vehicle will be marked with a **Bulls eye Target**. This signifies to the other drivers who the sandbaggers are. If a driver is caught a second time, he or she will be disqualified. A yellow flag will be used for a warning.
14. Team Driving, where two or more vehicles run in a pack and work on the rest of the field but do not work on each other, will not be allowed. This is grounds for disqualification.
15. NO INTENTIONALLY hitting a non-flagged vehicle or pushing them out of the way.
16. You are given 2 minutes to make a hit. Vehicle has to be running and able to make a hit either in forward or reverse.

17. Drivers must stay in their safety belts at all times during competition. If a driver removes the belt during the heat, he/she is automatically disqualified, except at an officials okay or fire.
18. Drivers must wear a D.O.T. approved crash helmet (no add-on chin guards). Eye protection must be worn at all times during the race. Neck collars optional. Long sleeved shirts, long pants must be worn. No open-toed shoes. Fire suit is recommended.
19. There will be only one vehicle per driver. All drivers must sign a waiver of liability.
20. If your vehicle is rolled on its side or all the way over during the race and is pushed back over by another vehicle, you may continue to race, however, no person shall enter the arena to push your vehicle over. An official can declare it out of action for any reason they see fit.
21. No outside help from another driver, pit member or audience will be allowed, i.e., throwing a can of ether into a car for anyone.
22. If a vehicle pass two tires over the arena boundary line (concrete jersey), you will be disqualified unless you can remove your vehicle by its own power or another vehicle knocks you loose and you can make your required hits in the two minute time frame.
- 23. Previous run cars and trucks will be straightened to your best ability. All rules will apply to vehicles that have been run before: New paint, straighten sheet metal, bumper heights and etc.**
- 24. The top three vehicles in the final heat will be subject to a re-inspection before the prize money is awarded.**

PREPARATION:

1. Any year Original Equipment Manufacturer (OEM) frame and body model of passenger cars or station wagon can be run. You can not enter Sport Utility (SUV), El Caminos, Rancheros, four wheel drives, small cars (except mini heats), no 1973 and older Chrysler Imperials.
2. No reinforcements allowed other than welding. 4-4x12x1/4 in. plates can be added – 2 on front and 2 on rear. These must be within the radius/confines of the frame. Absolutely no cross framing. Basic drivers cage can be installed on inside of vehicle. See attached diagram.
3. All glass, plastic and pot metal must be removed. Nothing may remain in the bottom of the doors or trunk. All outside hardware must be removed (door handles, mirrors, chrome molding, head light buckets, grilles, including metal ones, lens covers and fiber glass front ends). This also includes molding clips.
4. No added weight to the car except the weld. No packing in the trunk doors or frame.
5. All flammable materials inside the car must be removed, (carpet, head liner, door panels, ECT.). Door panel or padding may be left on the driver's door only for protection.
6. Front seats must be securely mounted to the floor and must have a seat belt.

7. You may put a 2" or smaller diameter pipe with a 6"x6"x1/4" thick plate on each end of the pipe behind the seat from side to side to support the seat back. It must be directly behind the seat and cannot be farther than 6" behind the seat.
8. A three point support or an **X brace** are required for behind the driver's seat from bottom edge of the window in the door to the opposite side on floor, not welded to frame. Bars are subject to official approval. These are being recommended for the safety of the driver.
9. A bar up to 2 inches can be bolted or welded from the cowl to the roof. Up to 3 bars in the windshield area will be allowed.
10. There must not be anything attached to the roof, trunk or hood of the car except for decoration for the Most Popular Car Award (\$100.00). After the contest anything that was attached will have to be removed.
11. You must remove the anti-freeze and recover the Freon from the car before entering parking lot or the arena.

FUEL PUMPS:

1. No electric fuel pumps allowed unless OEM. It must have the OEM safety protection devices. Exceptions will be made if the OEM mechanical pump is inoperative, but a safety shut off switch must be placed on the upper left side of the dash. This is to allow access to the switch by the officials in case of fire.

FIRES:

1. One fire per heat will be put out. A second fire per heat will cause disqualification.

BRAKES:

1. All cars must exhibit the ability to stop before entering the arena. If the car loses braking ability the car is subject to disqualification.

ENGINES:

1. Any engine may be used in any car, but it must be mounted within 4 inches of the original motor. You may not cut a hole in the firewall to accommodate the engine.
2. You may cut a hole to accommodate the distributor, but it must be covered to prevent a fire hazard. The hole can only be 3 inches bigger than is needed to allow the distributor to clear. At the discretion of an official.
3. Holes left in the firewall by removing the dash and or heater core that are bigger than 6" x6" must be covered with sheet metal.
4. No holes will be allowed in the floor of the car except to accommodate the transmission shifter, fuel lines and wiring.

DOORS/BODY:

1. Doors, hoods and trunks, must be securely held in place.
2. Driver's door must be painted a contrasting color.
3. Your car number must be at least 12 inches and be painted on each side of the car, as well as on the roof so judges and timers can see them. If two cars have the same number the car that had there entry in first keeps the number and the other car must changes theirs.

4. A triangle shaped number plate, no less than 8 inches in height, can be attached to the roof of the car for the car number to be displayed. Paint number on all three sides.
(*Highly Recommended*)

SECURING:

One of the following must be used to secure you hood, trunk and doors:

WELDING

Body seams around the doors, hoods and trunks may be welded. Motor mounts, steering columns, transmission mounts and leaf springs may be welded. Each seam can be welded the total length. 3/8" cold roll steel, 3/8" rebar or 1 1/4" x 1/8" flat strap may be used to weld your seams. **THE LARGEST GAP YOU CAN FILL IS 3/8"**, except driver's doors, which can be reinforced.

CHAINS

3/8" chain is allowed to secure hoods, trunks and doors. A single wrap of 3/8" chain may be used to hold the bumper on both sides. If you chain the hood, you must chain all four corners.

BOLTS

No more than 4 bolts per hood or trunk. Bolts cannot exceed 1" in diameter. They must be placed in the corners. They cannot be secured to the frame. If you bolt the hood, you must bolt all four corners.

1. You can combine chaining and bolting or chaining and welding.
2. You can combine welding and bolting only when bolting the front of the hood to the radiator support.
3. You may cut the hood above the radiator support and weld it to the radiator support. If you weld the hood to the radiator support, you cannot bolt it to the radiator support.

RADIATORS:

1. Radiators must stay in stock position. No cooling of engine thru heater core. (No added coolant capacity.)

TRANSMISSION:

1. Auxiliary external transmission coolers will be allowed, Only if it is installed between the frame and transmission under the car.

GAS TANKS:

1. Original gas tanks must be removed from the car.
2. You must have your gas tank inside the car. The maximum size is 6.5 gallons. It must be securely mounted to the floor behind the front seat. It cannot move when shaken. It may be metal or plastic, but it must not leak. If it is a marine tank, it must have fittings to attach lines. Vent tubes must exit the passenger compartment through the floor. **NO CUTTING HOLES IN THE LID AND SHOVING A HOSE THROUGH THE HOLES. NO EXCEPTIONS!!**

BATTERY:

1. No more than two 12-volt batteries may be used in the car at one time. If batteries are located inside the passenger compartment, it must be fully enclosed and securely mounted to the floor on the right front side. You cannot mount the batteries in the back by the gas tank.

AIR CLEANERS:

1. You must have an air cleaner on the car at all times during the event. If using starter fluid, you must be able to spray through a tube from your seat. If you get out of your seat or seat belt, you will be disqualified.
2. There must be a 12-inch diameter hole cut over the air cleaner in case of fire.

CUTOUTS:

1. Cut outs over the wheels are legal.

BUMPERS:

1. Bumpers may be cut so they don't smash into the tires during the event. They may also be welded to the frame or the body, but not to both the body & frame. You may, however, weld the bumper brackets to the frame.
2. Bumper height must be no higher than 20" from center of bumper to ground on front and 24" from center of bumper to ground on rear.

TRAILER HITCHES:

1. Trailer hitches and framework must be removed.

SUSPENSION:

1. Suspensions must be only O.E.M., the original height (no pulling out shocks and putting pipes in their place). No other means may be used to raise the back end of the car. NO adding reinforcements to front suspension. NO putting leaf springs on top of the axle. You may weld coil springs to the frame, so they don't fall out (no filler can be used). You may not clamp the shocks. **NO SOLID SUSPENSIONS.**

TIRES:

1. No off-road tires or foam-filled tires allowed. No stem protectors, tires cannot exceed 16 inches in size, maximum 30" in height. Forklift tires and studded tires will be allowed.

CAR NUMBERS:

1. Car Numbers are becoming hard for the timers to see, so a three sided triangle or a fin can be welded or bolted to the roof of your vehicle. Your numbers need to be large enough so they are easily seen.

RULES FOR PICK-UP TRUCKS

Pick-up rules are an addendum to the La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby Rules. La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby rules also apply.

1. Any stock made ½ ton or ¾ ton, regular or extended cab, two (2) wheel drive pick-up truck is permitted. 4 wheel drives are allowed but must have front drive shaft removed and transfer case in high range. No Ambulance frames allowed. Maximum 6 or 8 hole bolt pattern allowed. No one ton trucks permitted.
2. 4- 4"x12"x1/4" plates can be added to front portion. These must be within the Radius/ confines of the frame. Absolutely no cross framing allowed.
3. **No Engine Cradle** or pulley protectors.
4. Pick-up box must be anchored (fastened) in a minimum four (4), maximum eight (8) extra places to frame. Wire, chain, straps, U-bolts or bolts permitted. Maximum six (6) inch washers or metal plates can be used on floor for anchoring purposes.
5. It is recommended that the driver's door be padded inside and be reinforced. Recommended method is a steel plate 1/8" thick and minimum 18" in width welded or securely bolted to outside of the door, maximum 8" in front and behind the door break. Center line of plate should be at driver's hip height. All other doors must be securely fastened by chain, wire, seat belt or welded.
6. All bumpers are to be stock truck type or 5"x5"x1/4" thick square tubing. Bumper height must be no higher than 28" from center of bumper to ground. Rear step bumper must have diamond plate and hitch plate removed.
7. At least one (1) mandatory chain, cable or bar must be installed between roof and cowl (middle of windshield) to prevent hood from entering driver's compartment.
8. Rear cab back glass opening must be covered with a strong wire or nylon mesh screen that is at least as wide as the driver's shoulders. Screen may be used in place of windshield.
9. Auxiliary gas tank must be securely mounted at least three inches (3") from front of truck bed, center of bed forward of the rear axle. Secured cap, lines and fitting must be leak proof. Tank must be covered or enclosed in metal. Pump gas only.
10. **NO** gas lines through interior. All gas lines must be run under cab body.

11. A fire extinguisher is recommended at close reach to driver and secured. (Optional)
12. You may bolt or weld cab to bed of truck. If adding welded material, cab corner to bed $\frac{1}{4}$ panel, only one (1) vertical plate per side. Plate must not exceed 12"x8"x $\frac{1}{8}$ " thickness.
13. Hood must be secured with 2 to 4 chains, wires or threaded rods. If threaded rods are used, only 2 may go to frame or through body bolts in front on core support. Rods cannot exceed 1" in diameter and must not extend more than 6" above the hood. Rods may be bolted (a maximum of 3 nuts per rod may be used) or welded vertically to frame (weld must not exceed 6"). Plates holding down hood may not exceed 6"x6". **NO** pipes or pipe over threaded rods.
14. Mandatory openings must be cut in hood over each side of carburetor, two (2) 8" holes or one 14" hole or both.
15. Tail gate must be chained, wired or welded. If welding tail gate, weld only on vertical breaks. If adding material, welded plate must not exceed 4"x4"x $\frac{1}{8}$ " thickness. One (1) plate only per vertical seam.
16. **NO** restrictions on tire sizes. Maximum 30" height and air only permitted. Tires cannot be bolted or screwed to rims. Valve stem protectors are not permitted. **No** double or liquid filled, greased, wheel weights or split rims permitted. Forklift tires and studded tires will be allowed. All must pass inspection.
17. **NO** lift kits. Stock suspension only. Bumpers will fall under rule number 6. Bumper height will be checked by officials.
18. It is recommended for driver's safety that a plate of steel reinforcement (Squeeze Bar) be added left side, behind driver (Driver's side) between cab and bed box (should bed box come loose, it would not puncture into cab).
19. You have the option to install a dash bar (dash bar must be installed horizontally above steering column as far forward in compartment as possible). Also a roll bar hoop/halo bar may be placed behind driver, above driver's head as seated in cab and bolted or welded vertically to the top of right and left frame rails. **NO** kicker bars to frame. You may also place a right door and left door bar reinforcement, installed horizontally inside cab between hoop/halo bar and dash bar. If made, this reinforcement is designed for the safety protection of the driver. Must pass officials inspection.

20. **You must have a protective bar on the driver's door**, but it cannot extend more than 6" in front of or past the rear of the door. (It can be inside or outside.)
21. Drivers must stay in their safety belts at all times during competition. If a driver removes the belt during the heat, he/she is automatically disqualified, except at an officials okay or fire.
22. If battery is located inside the passenger side of the pick-up, it must be fully enclosed and securely mounted to the floor.
23. Rules are subject to change with as much notice as possible, according to the La Plata County Fair Demolition Derby Judges.

Announcer _____
Car # _____

Driver Entry _____
Pit Crew _____
Cash _____
Check # _____
Signatures _____
Arm Bands _____

LA PLATA COUNTY FAIR DEMOLITION DERBY OFFICIAL ENTRY FORM

Saturday, August 17, 2024 – Driver’s meeting, 10:30 a.m. – Derby, 12:00p.m.

Driver Name _____ Age _____

Mailing Address _____

City, State and Zip _____

Home Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Make/Model of Vehicle _____ Year _____

Color(s) _____ Number _____

Car Owner: _____

Car Sponsor(s) (Limit of 3 for Announcing)

- 1. _____
- 2. _____
- 3. _____

EMERGENCY CONTACT _____ PHONE _____

ENTRY FEES: Driver \$50.00
 Pit Crew (Each) \$10.00 **Limit of 7**

I have received a copy of all rules and regulations and agree to said rules & regulations as stated.

Drivers Signature _____ Date _____

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*****All drivers and pit crew must read and sign Release of Liability*****