

General Contest Rules

- 1) You must be an S.M.T.T.P.A. member to pull in all sanctioned classes for points. Entry Fees for members is \$20.00. For 1-day temporary member ship (1 time hook) \$35.00. **(NO REFUNDS)** All temporary members must conform to the rules and by-laws of the association. If your vehicle is found to be illegal it will be an exhibition hook only. (NO POINTS/NO MONEY) The vehicle has to be a member to hook to the sled, in sanctioned classes, at any of our pulls, due to insurance reasons.

Membership Dues: Full Members 75.00 Associate Members 25.00, 1-Day Temporary Membership \$35.00

- 2) **ALL** Pullers need to be signed in 45 minutes before the start of the pull or you will be subject to pay additional \$20.00 LATE FEE (NO EXCEPTIONS) **Members:** \$40.00 Temporary Members: \$55.00 You may enter when you arrive if class has already started but your placement in the line-up will be by a member of the Board There will be no complaints to the registration table or scales. You must see an Official Board member for all complaints. If you fail to do so you will be Disqualified for that night (NO POINTS, NO MONEY, NO REFUND)
- 3) A number must be drawn for every puller to know what pulling position they will be pulling in. Class Line-up - No changing classes around for people to get there and pull. You can call, but a number will be drawn for you by the person at table and you are responsible for getting the hook fee to table before you pull. If you are not there in time to pull, you forfeit your pull but still have to pay the hook fee if you are on the roster.
- 4) All pulling vehicles have to have a full membership. If a vehicle has more than one driver, the other driver can sign up as an associate member. If you have two or more Trucks/Tractors you must have a full membership on each vehicle
- 5) A sanctioned pull must use a dirt track no less than 200 feet in length, and not less than 20 feet in width. This track must be maintained and packed with the proper equipment during the pull. Trucks and Tractors to have a floating gate except in circumstances where a floating gate is not possible, i.e., saddle clubs, rodeo arenas, ditches or other obstructions at the end of the track, etc.
- 6) It is the puller's responsibility to know who pulls in front of them, get in line, weigh in and get up to the sled when it is their turn to pull. We will only wait one (1) minute, Failure to be ready to hook in one minute, unless of mechanical trouble, we will go on to the next puller.
- 7) It will be the puller's responsibility to notify the track officials of troubles or they will be disqualified.
- 8) Vehicles traveling the farthest distance before being stopped will be declared the winner of their class. If more than one vehicle goes through the course, more weight will be added; those vehicles will pull again, if mechanically possible.
- 9) All pulls will be measured with a laser or a monitor on the sled.
- 10) The sled operator and/or the president will make the decision on reweighting the sled.
- 11) If the puller makes an attempt to stop before 100' - a repull will be allowed if:

Front of Sled Stops before the 100' Mark
i.e., Laser/Sled Monitor Reads less than 100.00'
The Sled Operator is the Judge on this!

- 12) First puller has the option to repull in the 6th position or last; if the sled is reweighted you have the option to back up and hook right then or puller can drop to the 6th or last position.
- 13) A pull is not ended as long as the vehicle is hooked to the sled, or ruled so by track judge. Pulls are ended by the following:
Forward motion stops. (Excessive digging will not be allowed)
Disqualification:
Driver does not remain seated with seatbelt on.
Vehicle gets out of bounds, including the 100' starting area, not the sled.
Starting under the red flag.
All weights must be securely fastened to the pulling vehicle. If weight used for ballast falls off and touches the ground, it is an automatic disqualification unless you are the first puller of your class.
- 14) All pulls must start with a tight hitch, no jerking allowed. Contestants will be allowed two consecutive attempts and 100 feet to start the sled.
- 15) Cone must be placed to spot the sled before the sled comes back from previous hook. Each contestant has the privilege of and the responsibility for spotting the sled for each of their attempts. Sled operator must be notified of where contestant wishes sled placed when previous vehicle unhooks from sled. Once the sled is back at the starting gate it will not be moved for a puller. The sled driver will try to get it to the spot you want, but will not spend much time of moving the sled around just to satisfy you.
- 16) A marker will be used to mark out of bounds with inside of marker to be the boundary.
- 17) Each vehicle may enter in only one (1) class; the open classes are not included. If more vehicles are needed to fill a class, a vehicle can pull more than once, each to run their own rules & for the leftover prize money only. On tractor nights only, tractors will be allowed to jump to the next class.
- 18) All protest must be made before the prize money is handed out that night of the pull. Protest fee is \$500.00 If the protested vehicle is found to be illegal, they will lose money for that pull and the vehicle is out a year and a day. The protester is returned his protest fee. If the protested vehicle is found to be legal, the protested vehicle keeps the protest fee and all prize money, if any is involved. Any vehicle that is found illegal on cubic inch the vehicle and owner will be suspended for one year and a day with loss of points for the entire year, even if the vehicle has been sold to someone else. A tech check does not constitute as a protest.
- 19) **UNSPORTSMANSHIP**-Conduct which exists of violence and arguing. This will not be tolerated and will be dealt with by the executive and truck/tractor boards (**This includes your crew members.**) Suspensions up to and including, one year and a day.
- 20) **No drinking of alcoholic beverages** by any driver until after they have competed or your vehicle **does not** go down the track and you will not receive any points for the night. **(THIS WILL BE STRICKLY ENFORCED)**

- 22) All pullers must drive their vehicle onto the track and back it to the sled.
- 23) No vehicle is to be left running and unattended after it crossed the scales.
- 24) No adjustments to pulling vehicle once you cross the scales (except 2 Wheel Drives)
- 25) It is the pullers responsibility to know who pulls in front of him, and get in line, weigh in and get up to the sled when it's their time to pull. We will only wait one minute then we'll go to the next puller and you will be disqualified and we will go to the next puller.
- 26) At the board discretion, they can check your truck/tractor at any time they see fit. If you refuse for any reason, it will result for you to be kicked out for a year and a day.
- 27) No compressed canisters of any kind allowed in any of the classes (NOS, oxygen, propane, etc.)
- 28) **RULE SUBMISSIONS:** Rule submissions must be submitted in writing to a member of the executive board before the end of the pulling season. **The board has the discretionary right to deny or approve any rule submission that is submitted.**
- 29) No Profanity or obscenity allowed on vehicle.

POINTS SYSTEM:

In order for a class of vehicle to be considered a points class at the end of the year at least three vehicles had to have pulled for points in at least 50% of the total pulls of the year

1 point show & 5 points hook

1st place	10 points	6th place....	5 points
2nd place	9 points	7th places...	4 points
3rd place	8 points	8th places ...	3 points
4th place	7 points	9th places ...	2 points
5th place.....	6 points	10th place.....	1 point

In the event of a rain out (if the class has started) Each participant will get 6 point each.

Disqualification draws only points (5)
(Loss of weights, out of bounds, etc.)

Drawbar Heights

- 4 Wheel Drive – 26 inches
- 2 Wheel Drive – 30 inches
- 2 Wheel Drive over 540 CI 28 inches
- All Tractors – 20 inches

Length from Center of Rear Axles to Hitching Point

- 4 Wheel Drive – 36% of wheelbase
- 2 Wheel Drive – 18" minimum
- All Tractors – 18" minimum

