

Erie County Fair August 20<sup>th</sup> 2017 - 1:00pm and 6:00pmModified Class - Rules & Regulations. Total Purse \$8000.00 - \$4000.00 per show, with 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3 place Trophies, also 1 Mad Dog award each show \$ and a Trophy – SEE ENTRY

Each and every entrant is subject to the following rules and regulations in the interest of safety and equal competition. **DISCLAIMER:** JM Motorsport Productions, Inc. does not imply or guarantee safety. Total responsibility for inspection of car safety and rule compliance is by the owner/driver, not JM Motorsport Productions, Inc. Entrants in the Derby are not employees of JM Motorsport Productions, Inc. but are independent contractors and assume all related responsibilities. You must supply your own car. Officials reserve the right to alter program or purse structure in the interest of time restraints. In the event of a tie, the money will be divided equally among the winners. NO ENTRY REFUNDS for shows requiring PRE-ENTRY. RULES, if you do not understand any of the rules or regulations, it is **YOUR obligation to call our office ONLY, for clarification at (716) 980-6533.** Jay Milligan (716) 583-8201 After 11am on weekdays OR Marty Hughes (716) 432-8783 After 5pm on weekdays. Entry is available at [jmderby.com](http://jmderby.com)

**DRIVER INFORMATION:**

- ENTRY:** You MUST complete entry form as instructed. Drivers MUST be 16 years of age or older and hold a VALID PERMIT with experience. ALL drivers/pit crew members under the age of 18 MUST have a parent or legal guardian with them at the pit gate to sign a Minor's Release. Drivers MUST wear clean, long pants and long sleeve shirts when in competition (coveralls recommended). Drivers MUST wear a SNELL or DOT approved FULL FACE HELMET and some form of eye protection. Drivers MUST wear a safety belt and shoulder harness during competition. Shoulder harness MUST be a quick release type such as in any new automobile. Drivers MAY enter as many cars as there are qualifying heats UNLESS otherwise noted on entry form.
- CONDUCT:** There is no crying in demo derby! Abide by the official's decisions and mind your manners. Drivers are responsible for the actions of their crew members. Any driver or crew member not obeying the rules will be disqualified. All competition rules are described at the mandatory driver's meeting that is held 30 minutes prior to the event. Officials will shut down any car that is deemed a safety risk to drivers and spectators. (Example: throwing rubber from spinning tires or rims, doing donuts and/or creating a hazard to drivers and spectators).
- ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES:** are PROHIBITED in the Demolition Derby, infield and pit area. Violation by any driver or crew member means disqualification of car and pit pass forfeiture.
- THE OFFICIAL'S DECISION IS FINAL:** Any participant who violates the intent of JM Productions rules shall be considered to have engaged in unsportsmanlike conduct which could result in a fine of up to \$500 and/or a suspension of up to 5 years. All fines shall be added on to future event winners' purse. JM Productions reserves the right to refuse the entry of any car or participant if it is felt that a participant's present or past conduct is or was not in the best interest of the sport.

**INSURANCE/PIT INFO: All drivers and pit crew members entering the infield MUST purchase a pit pass and sign a WAIVER & RELEASE.**

- PARTICIPANT MEDICAL INSURANCE:** Anyone signing a waiver and release form at the sign in desk and purchasing a pit pass will be covered by insurance which covers up to \$10,000 as secondary medical expense coverage with a \$50 deductible. ALL INJURIES MUST BE REPORTED TO OFFICIALS IMMEDIATELY!
- PIT PASSES:** You must be 16 years of age or older to purchase a pit pass and enter the pit area (parent or guardian must be present at pit gate to sign a Minor's Release with entrants under 18 years old.) Your Pit Pass includes your insurance protection described above. **It is NOT good for grandstand admission.**
- PIT GATE:** DO NOT BRING YOUR CAR TO SHOW LOCATION UNTIL PIT GATE OPENS. Officials reserve the right to close the pit gate one hour prior to show time if enough cars have entered to make a complete show. This pertains to all cars, including those that are pre-entered.
- PIT AREA:** A MAXIMUM speed limit of 5 MPH MUST be obeyed at all times in the pit area, parking lot and driveways. Coolers will not be allowed in the infield or pit area.
- BUILD RULES:** Unobserved items escaping detection during inspection does not make them legal. Non-conformance to the rules will be called illegal.

**CARS PERMITTED:** Any Full size car, generally defined as two or four door sedan body or wagon, 2 wheel drive car weighing between 4000 and 6,500 pounds (Weight source- NADA Used Car Guide or bluebook) and wheelbase above 115 inches. **Not permitted:** 4 x 4s, AWD, SUV's, vans, minivans, limousines, convertibles, T-tops, Camaros, Firebirds, El Caminos or any model with a truck bed.

**PRIMARY BUILD RULE:** "Stock" is defined as remaining in the same state as a manufacturer's showroom equipped model. No extra welding, no additional bolts, no additional modifications for the purpose of strengthening will be permitted. See all exceptions noted below. Don't assume that you can do it just because you don't see it spelled out in these rules... the PRIMARY BUILD RULE means you **cannot do it unless it is specifically stated as one of the exceptions below.**

- Painting the frame, engine compartment, or inside of a car can make it difficult for officials to discover illegal reinforcements. Therefore, cars with non-factory paint on these areas will simply be **assumed** to be hiding weld or other reinforcement work. Painting the exterior sheet metal panels is allowed but you will not be allowed to claim you had an overspray accident on your frame etc. Officials may elect not to waste time attempting to discover exactly what you did under the paint and instead you will be asked to either do extensive torch work or load up and go home. You will not like the torch work you will be asked to do so it is strongly recommended that you take care when painting the outside of your car and remove overspray from the prohibited areas before arriving at the competition.

**BODY:**

- All vehicles must be stripped of all glass, chrome, trim, side mirrors, plastic and fiberglass panels.
- Rubber body mounts may be removed; body mount bolt is permitted (MAX 5/8" diameter).
- No body to frame welds
- Enhancement to body lines is permitted, no overlay or double effects.
- #9 wire may be run anywhere inside the car. Max of 4 per spot
- Two steel bars or chains must be mounted from the firewall to the roof and not attached to halo bar.
- Rear window bar permitted – Must not go past speaker deck - Must not attach to halo

**GAS TANKS:**

- If not under the center of the car from the manufacturer, a fuel cell or an approved marine style tank must be moved to the back seat area, securely fastened and completely covered with metal. NO plastic boat tanks.
- Gas tank protectors are allowed. Max 24" wide , must come off of seat bar and not attach to any sheet metal. However may touch and float.
- No more than 10 gallons MAX of fuel is allowed, any gasoline or fuel is allowed.
- You may run an electric fuel pump, but it must have a kill switch that is clearly marked with white paint . Please use fittings or good hose clamps, vent line through roof, and make sure they are tight.
- No gas cans. Approved tanks only!

**FRAME:**

- No alterations or reinforcements to the frame , unless noted below.
- 1/2 top frame seam weld allowed, no exceptions. firewall forward only. Frame swap permitted Ford to Ford, GM to GM in other words manufacture to manufacture.
- 2003 & newer Ford products- you may weld in steel cradle and suspension from 1980-2002 Ford passenger car to replace the aluminum factory bolt in. No added reinforcements.
- Watts link rear suspension may be converted using ZTR brackets or similar. May not strengthen any other part of the car.
- Frames can be tilted(pitched) CALL FOR CLARIFICATION prior to making any modifications NO added metal
- You can run chain or #9 wire from side to side on rear rails(straight across)
- Trailer/Towing hitches must be removed.
- Hump plates 1/4" thick and located on outside of the frame only!. Must contour frame, not touch the rear end. Maximum 4" wide x 24 " long. Must not strengthen any other part of the car.

**TRANSMISSION:**

- Floor shifters are allowed.
- Transmission coolers are allowed-no rubber hose-must be metal or hydraulic lines. High pressure only.
- Slider drive shafts are allowed.
- Solid mounts are permitted.
- No larger than 3x3-6" long angle iron can be welded per side of the frame to attach cross member.
- No transmission braces or bell housing or nerat housing MUST be stock.
- No steel tailshaft

**BRAKES:**

- A working hydraulic system is required. You must exhibit the ability to stop. Anyone losing their brakes during an event is disqualified.

**BUMPERS:**

- Brackets may be welded. You must use front for front , back for back.
- May run one piece of 1/4 x3"x6" long metal per side to help hold bumper. THATS IT!
- Use #9 wire in two spots from core support to bumper.
- Bumpers from other passenger vehicles may be swapped.
- May be seam welded. All work must be done inside . Stock appearing!
- Front Bumper must be 22" from the ground to the bottom of bumper. The rear bumper must be 16" from the ground to the bottom of bumper.

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#### **REAR ENDS:**

- 1) May be welded
- 2) No coil to leaf spring alterations
- 3) May have brace, but only to strengthen rear end tube.
- 4) Coil spring may be welded or wired.
- 5) Leaf spring packs ( 9 leaf per side, factory stagger and thickness) 4 spring clamps per pack
- 6) All thread shocks permitted.
- 7) May reinforce trailing arms.

#### **DOORS:**

- 1) Must be chained, welded, or wired. Drivers door must have Full seam weld 3" x 1/8" thick max, must be padded.

#### **DRIVER COMPARTMENT/STEERING WHEEL:**

- 1) One cross bar is allowed behind the seat, running door to side door. Max diameter is 4" box/round Door bars 60" long max.
- 2) Four-point CAGE IS REQUIRED, with halo bar. May not touch floor panel or connect to the frame.
- 3) All airbags must be removed prior to arrival to the track.
- 4) Steering may be modified from steering wheel to gear box. After market tie rods permitted

#### **EXHAUST:**

- 1) Exhaust must extend beyond driver's seat or you may run stacks.

#### **FAN BLADES:**

- 1) Must be clutch type with shroud or electric fan or no fan at all. Must be plastic—no metal.

#### **WHEEL WELLS:**

- 1) Cutting, folding or bending is permitted. Six 3/8" bolts in each wheel well opening . Cannot weld inner fenders.

#### **HOOD & TRUNK:**

- 1) All hoods can be bolted down with 1" max, 8 bolts, wired or chained down.
- 2) Trunk lid must have an 18" inspection hole in it. Trunk lids must be wired or bolted with a max of eight 1" bolts, chained or welded Full seam weld 1/8"x3" max
- 3) Trunk lids may be tucked.
- 4) No hood latches. Hood openings may have twelve 3/8" bolts.
- 5) Rear quarter panels must remain factory height.
- 6) Core support bolts may be 1"

#### **SUSPENSION:**

- 1) Does not have to move (it may be rigid)
- 2) May chain or strap A-arms to raise bumper height. Must not reinforce any other part of the car.
- 3) May chain rear humps, 3/8" chain maximum

#### **BATTERY:**

- 1) May be left under the hood or moved to the passenger side floor
- 2) Must be held down by 2 straps and covered with rubber mat.
- 3) Maximum of two 12 volt batteries

#### **ENGINE COMPARTMENT:**

- 1) Distributor protectors and engine cradles are allowed
  - a) must not reinforce any part of the car
  - b) must remain 5" from dash bar, or the bar will be cut out.
- 2) Drain air conditioners, rubber hoses must be cut or removed prior to arrival at the track.

#### **TIRES:**

- 1) Any 14" or 15" tire is allowed. Any larger size must be OEM to the vehicle.
- 2) No split rims are permitted.
- 3) No studded, liquid or concrete filled tires. Air inflated only, tubes are permitted.
- 4) No bead locks
- 5) No aftermarket spindles
- 6) No wheel weights.

#### **ANTIFREEZE:**

- 1) NOT allowed-only clear water. No detergents or additives are permitted. If seen, you will be disqualified. Flush motor block with water prior to arrival to the track.

#### **DRIVER DOOR & FRONT PASSENGER DOOR:**

- 1) Doors must be white with 2 digit black numbers. Car number must be displayed upright on the roof, on a 12"x 24" panel or on the roof in a contrasting color.

#### **GENERAL:** All cars must be at the track a minimum of THREE hours prior to show start time. All cars will be rigidly inspected. The official's decision is final.

Derby will consist of 1 feature each show. There will be no consolation(concy) heats.

Drug or Alcohol use is prohibited. Failure to comply will result in immediate disqualification and possible removal from fairground.

All contestants will have one minute to restart their vehicle and or make contact with a live car. No trapping will be permitted.

All drivers must remain in car, unless told to exit the track by official.

Smoking is prohibited in your vehicle on the track.

The derby will be stopped in the event of fire or any situation deemed unsafe for the drivers, event staff or spectators.

Safety belts, eye protection and DOT helmets are required. Long sleeve shirts and pants must be worn. Shorts and t-shirts are not acceptable.

Any car not removed within 2 hours after the evening show will become the property of JM Motorsports.

All cars must be oem equipped unless noted.

29. **ROOF:** All sunroofs must have glass removed and covered/fastened with sheet metal of same strength as roof material. Vinyl roof cover may be removed.

30. NO OTHER MODIFICATIONS WILL BE PERMITTED, UNLESS THEY ARE STATED IN THE RULES ABOVE. ANY VIOLATION OF THE RULES MUST BE CHANGED OR YOU WILL BE ASKED TO LEAVE, NO REFUNDS.

31. OFFICIALS have the right to RE-INSPECT, CUT, OR DRILL any car at any time. If you are caught breaking the rules, you will forfeit any/all prize money and awards.

**PROTEST: \$100.00 MUST accompany each written protest and MUST be submitted within THREE minutes of completion of event. If officials find the protested car to be illegal, the fee will be returned. Protest MUST apply to winners only and must identify specific rule violation and also pertain to a RULE VIOLATION that, in the opinion of the officials, gives the car an advantage. ALL winning cars are under OFFICIAL PROTEST by JMMP prior to awarding any prize money. THE ITEMS # 1 - 31 ABOVE REPRESENT THE ONLY EXCEPTIONS TO THE PRIMARY BUILD RULE! If you do not see it spelled out, that means you CANNOT do it.**

#### **COMPETITION RULES**

A. **Safety belts, helmets, impact resistant eye protectors, pants, shirt, and shoes to adequately protect participants are required.** Driver can be disqualified at any time if either belt or helmet is removed, driver's side door comes open, or car catches on fire during a heat. Official's discretion applies and direction will be provided during the pre-race driver's meeting.

B. Drivers may maneuver forward or backward. Deliberately ramming a driver's door is not allowed and can lead to disqualification. A time limit is set by the judges and explained during the driver's meeting. Failing to make competitive contact with other live cars within the time limit can lead to disqualification.

C. **Vehicles must have brakes at all times and boundaries must be observed.** A driver exiting the competition area boundary is subject to disqualification at the official's discretion.

D. The event format is described on a separate document and is subject to be altered on the day of the event at the promoter's discretion.

E. A \$100 protest fee is required to contest another car. PROTEST MUST IDENTIFY SPECIFIC RULE VIOLATION IN WRITING. (See Protest explanation above)

F. Decisions by the officials are final. **Aggressive behavior towards the officials will not be tolerated and law enforcement personnel will be present to deal with those who cannot control their behavior.**

#### **JMMP FULLSIZE MODIFIED ERIE COUNTY FAIR 2017**