

Maumee Valley Tractor Pullers
Farm Stock Rules
2009

Weight Classes

1. 6500# class with no larger than 18.4" x 38" tires at **4.0** mph
2. 8500# class with no larger than 18.4" x 38" tires at **4.0** mph
3. 11,000# class with no larger than 18.4" x 42" **or 20.8 x 38"** tires at 4.0 mph
4. 12,000# class with no larger than 20.8"x 42" **or 20.8 x 38"** tires at 4.0 mph

Eligibility of Contestant

All drivers must be able to access all controls of the tractor from the driver's seat. All minors must submit written consent of parents or guardian to enter the contest. Such a statement must be turned in at the time of entry. Each contestant enters the contest at his/her own risk and/or that of the parent/guardian and recognizes that he/she may be held responsible for any accident or injury incurred or property damage to others caused by him/her or his/her tractor. Upon entry each driver agrees to release all officials from responsibility or claim for any liability.

1. Contestants must be 16 years of age with parent/guardian signed consent.
2. No weight frame or weight may extend more than 12' from center of rear axle.
3. All tractors must be equipped with a hood and grill and retain stock appearance.
4. All tractors cannot be more than 10% over factory high idle (RPM)
5. All tractors at each pull will be checked by the same Tach, and the same Operator and must have a working governor. The Tach operator's decision will be final.
6. The engine must be a stock block or a factory replacement block for that same make and model of tractor.

General Requirements

1. Contest open to farm tractors with rubber tires. No four wheel drive allowed. No dual tires, tire studs, or chains permitted, and no cutting of the leading edge of the tire bar or the casing allowed. All power must be transmitted through the wheels.
2. Minimum drawbar length 18 inches from the center of rear wheel to point of hook. Drawbar is to be stationary in all directions. Maximum height of the drawbar is not more than 20 inches from top of hitching device to a parallel point to ground.
3. Drawbar must be equipped with steel hitching device not more than 1 ½ inches in thickness, and with a 3 ¾ -inch diameter opening. Cross-sectional thickness must be 7/8 inch minimum. Pulling point may not be more than 1 ½ inches from the back edge of the hitching device.
4. No pressurized fuels allowed-except U.L. approved pressure tanks. No oxygen or water injection allowed. No secondary fuels or tanks containing secondary fuels allowed on the tractor.
5. No portion of the tractor may interfere with the sled hitch during a pull.
6. All weight must be safely secured to the tractor and must not extend beyond rear tires. Any ballast or external parts lost while hooked to sled will be cause for disqualification. (Internal parts excepted)
7. All tractors must be equipped with workable rear wheel brakes.
8. The use of torque converters, automatic shifts, etc. will be permitted.

Safety and Tractor Operations

1. No front wheels more than 36 inches off the ground at any time.
2. Tractors must be operated in a safe manner at all times.
3. Operator must remain seated during the pull, and must have complete control of the tractor at all times.
4. Consumption of alcoholic beverages prior to pulling will mean disqualification.
5. All tractors must pass a safety inspection.
6. Tractors must be stopped immediately upon signal from judge. The pull shall be considered over when forward motion of load stops.
7. Any loss of liquid by tractor while on the track may cause for disqualification except for loss of liquid die to internal breakage.
8. All tractors must be in neutral or park (transmission selector) while being hitched or unhitched.
9. Wheelie bars and kill switch recommended but not required.

Operation of Contest

1. Each tractor may be entered in more than one class, but only once in each class.
2. Contestant must pull in position drawn. Intentional delay will mean disqualification.
3. All pulls must start with a tight hitch. No jerking permitted. Contestants will be allowed two attempts and fifty feet to start the sled. Distances will be measured from the front of sled.
4. Tractor must remain within boundaries of contest course during the pull or will be disqualified, including test puller. The sled does not have to remain within the boundaries.
5. Pullers will receive two warning beeps. Third beep of horn will mean disqualification.
6. **NO unauthorized personnel (spotters, mechanics, etc.) will be allowed on track when a tractor is competing.**

General Rules

1. Violation of any rule shall constitute a disqualification.
2. Contest will be governed by judge or judges, and all decisions are final. Judges have the right to stop and disqualify a tractor if it is not operating in what would be considered a safe manner.
3. The top three finishes in each class will be checked out after competing for the following:
 - a. RPM
 - b. Measure drawbar
 - c. Weight of tractor
 - d. Tractors will be checked until top three are legal
 - e. Judges may check and money winner
 - f. Any competitor entered in the class can protest another entry in the class by posting \$50 cash which will be forfeited to the protested entrant if found to be legal or returned to protestor if entrant is illegal. Protest must be made before the official completion of the class.
All decisions then made by the Rules or Tech committee are Final!!!

Note: Changes indicated in **bold type**.

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