

CHOUTEAU COUNTY FAIR DERBY RULES

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- M Registration begins at 12:00 PM. and closes at 4:00 PM. SHARP! No late entries will be allowed.
NO EXCUSES.
- M Preliminary car inspections start at 12:00 PM with the final inspection at 3:00 PM
- M Drivers meeting will begin at 5:00 PM.
- M Championship heat will begin ten minutes after the arena is cleared following the herby derby.
- M The final three cars will be inspected after the championship heat, before being removed from the arena.
- M All cars removed after dark must be on lighted trailers. Any cars remaining after 11:00 AM the following day will become the property of Chouteau County unless prior arrangements have been made.
- M Only the driver of a car may issue a complaint and then only to the head judge and derby chairperson.
The decision of these two is final. If the contestant does not like the decisions before the start of the derby, they can get a refund of their entry fee and trailer their car.
- M No one under the age of eighteen years Other than a driver and Pit Crew members will be allowed in the backfield. This will be enforced by the Fort Benton Fire Department, Fair Board Security, and law enforcement officers.

QUALIFICATIONS

- M The driver and pit crew must be eighteen years of age or older (age verification will be required).
- M Drivers must have a valid driver's license and present it at time of registration.
- M Drivers must wear crash helmets that meet federal safety standards. No hard hats will be allowed.
Helmets must be worn upon entering the arena and while the driver is in the arena.
- M Drivers must obey all rules for safety that the Chouteau County Fair set up or they will be disqualified.
It is the driver's responsibility to know the rules! NO EXCEPTIONS WILL BE MADE!
- M All drivers and pit crew enter at their own risk of injury. All drivers and pit crew MUST fill out liability release forms and sign at the registration booth before pit passes will be given.
- M Other than the driver, only two pit passes per car are allowed. One wristband will be provided for the driver and each of the two pit crew at the registration booth. These wristbands do not grant access to the grandstand area.
- M The driver must leave the arena driving in a slow and careful manner or they will be disqualified.

CAR

- M The car must be stock (no body alterations), except for drivers door and cut fenders above tires. No bolting body panel together.

- M Doors, hood, and trunk can be welded, but they must be broken welds. (4@ weld with a 2@ span).
The trunk can be bolted with strap iron. No welding the strap iron to the bumper. (No ropes or bungees).
- M All chrome and loose metal, inside and outside, must be removed except the bumpers.
- M Bumpers may be welded on the car. No adding of extra metal is allowed. Factory bumpers only, the bumper can be no higher than 24@ off the ground. That means from the ground to the bottom of the bumper.
- M No glass is allowed in the car, except for instrument glass.
- M Any unnecessary wires must be removed.
- M The back seat must be removed. In its place, securely mount the gas tank. Make sure it is tightly capped. A gas can or boat gas tank may be used. No larger than a six gallon tank.
- M The main gas tank **MUST** be removed.
- M The fan may be removed but it is not mandatory.
- M No four wheel drives allowed.
- M No pickup or convertibles are allowed. Cars with a sunroof will be allowed if the opening is covered in a safe manner.
- M No more than four 1@ ready rod allowed on the car 2 in front and 2 in back.
- M The engine may be chained down.
- M No reserve water tanks are allowed.
- M All interior must be removed including all loose materials; door handles and window cranks.
- M The battery must be securely mounted inside the car on the floor, in front of the passenger seat. Two batteries will be allowed. Seatbelts can be used to secure the battery.
- M No rubber straps are allowed, inside or outside the car.
- M A bar must be strapped or welded vertically down the center of the front windshield opening.
- M Brakes must be able to stop within 20 feet at 25 miles per hour.
- M Two 4@ holes will be cut in the hood of both sides of the air cleaner or one 8@ hole.
- M The engine must be cleaned (degreased) prior to inspection.
- M The car should be neatly polished or painted and have a number on each front door. No white cars will be allowed.
- M Front Passenger door may be reinforced the same as the drivers door to avoid injury to the driver.
- M The left door **MUST** be painted white (driver's door).
- M Herby car will be limited to a 102@ wheel base.

IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATIONS WILL RESULT IF YOU DO ANY OF THE FOLLOWING

- M HIT A DRIVER'S DOOR, exception: if pushed into driver's door by another vehicle.
- M REMOVING YOUR SEAT BELT AND/OR HELMET OR LEAVING YOUR CAR for any reason during the heat, exception: if the car is on fire. Disqualification will be for that heat.

- M GOING OUT OF BOUNDS. Boundaries will be marked. If you get three wheels over the boundaries, you will be disqualified from the heat even if forced out of bounds by another car.
- M PURPOSELY HITTING A CAR THAT HAS ITS RED FLAG DISPLAYED and was previously disqualified.
- M NOT DISPLAYING YOUR FLAG while disqualified from that heat will disqualify you from all heats. It must be in a visible and upright position when in use.
- M FAILURE TO KEEP YOUR CAR UNDER COMPLETE CONTROL WHILE ENTERING OR LEAVING ARENA.
- M TWO CAR FIRES will disqualify that car for that heat.
- M ANYONE CAUGHT CONSUMING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES in the arena or the back field will be escorted off the premises.
- M WHITE FLAGS WILL BE USED FOR EMERGENCY ONLY.
- M DRIVERS OR PIT CREW SPEAKING OR YELLING PROFANITY AT ANY OFFICIAL WILL BE AUTOMATICALLY REMOVED FROM THE DERBY GROUNDS.
- M FAILURE TO KNOW AND ABEY ALL OF THE RULES.
- M FAILURE TO MAKE A HIT ON ANOTHER CAR WITHIN 2 2 MINUTES. Disqualification will be for that heat.

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\$\$\$\$PRIZE MONEY\$\$\$\$

<i>Full Sized Cars</i>	Other Payouts	<i>Herby Derby</i>
	\$50.00-Best Paint- Full Size	1st-\$1,000.00
1st-\$3,500.00	\$50.00-Best Paint- Herby	2nd-\$500.00
2nd-\$1,500.00	\$50.00-Hardest Hit	
3rd-\$900.00	\$50.00-Top 3 places in each full size heat (3 heats)	
	\$50.00 to the top 3 places in the Hard Luck Heat	