

NW MONTANA FAIR & RODEO

31st Annual Demolition Derby - August 18, 2019

*****COMPACT CLASS*****

****Please read the rules carefully. We have made changes to improve the Derby****

Sponsored by: NAPA, KOFI/The Monster and the **NW Montana Fair**

1st Place \$750.00

2nd Place \$500.00

3rd Place \$300.00

Race day is Sunday, August 18, 2019, racing start at **6:00 P.M.** at the Flathead County Fairgrounds, Kalispell, MT.

GENERAL INFORMATION

Due to lower than desired Compact Car counts in past years, a minimum of 3 entries must be received at the Fairgrounds Office by 5pm, July 19th for this event to occur. If less than 3 entries are received, those contestants who did enter will be notified of class cancelation and entry fees will be refunded.

Contestants should plan to be at the Fairgrounds to have their pre-derby check-in completed by 3:00 PM Sunday August 18, 2019. **The inspection area will be in the gate area of the pits.** Officials will begin check in at 12:00 PM and end at 4:00pm. Once your vehicle has been inspected, you are free to leave until the mandatory Pit Meeting at 5:00 pm. No new entries will be accepted and no vehicles will be allowed into the competition area after that time.

To address and resolve the on-going problem of excessive people in the pit area, we will issue wrist bands to the drivers and pitmen at the time of check in. Only those wearing wrist bands will be allowed in the pit area. The Sheriff's Posse will be patrolling the pit area and anyone not wearing the wrist band will be escorted from the area.

All contestants receiving award money will be required to complete a W-9 and sign a receipt for their award. Payments will be awarded in cash at the completion of the event upon receipt of required paperwork at the Fairgrounds office. Payments will be made beginning approximately 15 minutes after the final race results are submitted to the office.

The demolition derby is open to all drivers 16 years of age or over (men & women). **For more information contact the Fairgrounds office at 406-758-5810, nwmtfair@flathead.mt.gov or South Kalispell Fire Department @ 406-314-0806 or skvfd@gmail.com.**

Entry Fee: \$20.00 if received by the Fairgrounds by 5 PM August 2nd. (\$25.00 after August 1st) Valid for the driver and one pitman. Additional pitmen are \$10.00 each with a limit of three pitmen per car.

Entries checked in and ready for inspection by 3:00 PM on August 18th will receive 2 free pit passes! Save \$20! (Limit of three pitmen per car still applies)

Entries will be accepted until the inspection area closes at 4:00 PM (or until 15 cars have entered for the compact class, whichever comes first).

Car Entry: Driver must furnish his/her own car OR have someone sponsor his/her car. After the pit meeting, any questions concerning the races can be brought forth by the driver ONLY.

Car Removal: Each driver MUST remove his/her car from the Fairgrounds **immediately** after the performance is over.

*****Cars remaining after the Derby has concluded WILL be towed at the owner's expense*****

RULES

If you are disqualified by violating any of the following rules, your entry fee will NOT be refunded.

General

1. Drivers and pitmen must be 16 years old or older. Drivers enter at their own risk. If the registered driver is unable to compete, only a member of the driver's pit crew can substitute. No co-pilots allowed.
2. Drivers must have a valid driver's license and fill out and sign the derby release form to participate.
3. **ANY DRIVER AND/OR THEIR CREW CONSUMING ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES, DRUGS, OR ARRIVING UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF SUBSTANCES WILL BE DISQUALIFIED FROM THE DEMO IMMEDIATELY and escorted from the grounds. The opinion of the officials is the only proof necessary for disqualification.**
4. Any abusive language or action directed toward officials will result in the disqualification of vehicle, driver and crew.
5. Any and all questions, concerns or complaints on cars must be brought to the judge's/inspector's attention before leaving the inspection area or prior to starting of the heat. Once the heat begins, the race will be run 'as is'.
6. All drivers must know and obey all rules for safety or they will be disqualified from their heat. Disqualification is signaled by the waving of the black flag. A warning of a rolled up black flag indicates you are on the verge of disqualification.
7. Drivers may maneuver forward and backward (1st and reverse only).
8. If you are not running but your running flag did not break, YOU ARE STILL FAIR GAME, unless notified by officials.
9. When your car has been disabled for two minutes, you must break your flag. **If you hit a car with a broken flag, and in the judge's opinion it was avoidable, you will be immediately disqualified.** This rule is for driver protection and will be rigorously enforced and a decision from any of the judges is not a matter for debate.
10. Driver must remain seat-belted in their car with helmet on until his/her car is removed by the tow truck.
11. **Any car not involved in AGGRESSIVE contact for time period in excess of two (2) minutes will be disqualified.**
12. **Ether starting fluid may not be used at any time! (Note: if found in the car or pit area at any time, the car, driver, and crew will be disqualified).**
13. **IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION WILL RESULT IF YOU:**
 - a. Hit a driver's door. **Exception:** *if pushed by another car or deemed by the officials to be unavoidable.*
 - b. If you remove your seat belt or helmet or leave your car during the heat. **Exception:** *if your car is on fire.*

Autos

1. Only cars with a wheel base of 109" or shorter, with a 6 cylinder, or smaller, engine will be allowed.
2. All cars must be stock except as specified in this document.
3. Engines and transmissions must be stock.
4. No reserve water tanks, engine oil coolers, transmission coolers, or oil reservoirs are permitted.
5. Bumpers and fenders may be trimmed.

Safety Equipment

1. Seatbelts are required, harnesses are optional. All seatbelts will be inspected and **MUST BE WORN.**
2. A D.O.T. crash approved helmet **MUST** be worn at all times.
3. All drivers must wear appropriate clothing and. Eye protection is required and neck braces are encouraged.
4. A minimum of one two and one-half pound (2.5 lbs.) charged and functional dry chemical fire extinguisher will be secured to the right of the driver. Extinguisher must be easily accessed and removable to driver and safety crew.

5. Halo bars will be allowed. No full roll cages permitted.
6. Window screens are recommended but optional.

Preparation

1. All glass, plastic and pot metal must be removed. Nothing may remain in the bottom of doors or trunks. All outside hardware must be removed (door handles, mirrors, chrome, molding, screw, fiberglass, etc.). All rear seats must be removed. Headliners and inside panels (except driver's door) must be removed.
2. No added weight to cars (welding not included). You cannot pack the frames, trunks, doors or decking under floorboards.
3. Driver's door must be welded or chained securely to the body of the vehicle.
4. Padding is permitted on driver's door~ Front seat is to be secured to the floor.
5. Though special driver door reinforcement is allowed, reinforcing of frame or body parts is **NOT ALLOWED**.
6. All flammable material must be removed except seat and safety padding.
7. All cars must complete an inspection prior to entry of fairgrounds. Any violation of rules or failure to complete the inspection during the designated time and you will not race.
8. Once you have completed the inspection you are not allowed to work on your car.

Fuel Tanks and Pumps

1. All original fuel tanks must be removed prior to coming onto the fairgrounds property. Water and/or gas may not be disposed of anywhere on fairgrounds property due to federal law.
2. A supplemental metal tank, fuel cell, or DOT approved marine tank with a maximum of 10 gallons shall be rigidly secured in the rear passenger area only. No Jerry Cans or bungee cords are allowed.
3. Tank must be covered with rubber prior to arrival.
4. Electric fuel pumps are allowed but must be ignition controlled and your race number shall have an **E** by it.

Paint and Numbers

1. Each car shall list on their entry form their preferred and secondary number choice. Contestant will receive a verification of their official number after receipt of the entry form. If you did not receive a verification of your number with your receipt, please contact the fair office at 406-758-5810.
2. At a minimum you must have a number on both front side doors **and an upright number sign securely mounted on the roof of the car (12" tall numbers minimum)**. Paint color of the numbers shall contrast the vehicle (light on dark or dark on light) for easy visibility.
3. The **ENTIRE** driver's doors must be painted **RED**. This is for your safety.
4. No vulgarity or obscene images may be painted on cars as this is a family event.
5. Wrong numbers or no numbers must be corrected prior to final inspection.

Engine Hood and Trunk Lid

1. Must be chained, bolted, wired, or welded. If chained, the amount of chain used is limited to a pair of single loops for the hood and a pair of single loops on trunk lid.
2. Weld patterns are 4 inches of weld and 4 inches of space, you may repeat this pattern as much as necessary on the hood. Trunk lids and doors can be welded solid.
3. When securing the hood, a maximum of 1 inch all-thread can be used. All-thread can be run through frame or welded directly to the frame but not reinforced in any way. Securing the trunk to the frame is **NOT** allowed.
4. A minimum of 2 twelve inch fire holes are required in the hood, one on each side.
5. Trunk lids that are unable to be opened must have inspection holes cut prior to arrival (12 inch minimum).
6. If there is reason for further inspection, driver or pitmen will be required to cut as directed.
7. No reinforcing is allowed of trunk or hood, filler material cannot exceed one half (.5) inches in diameter.

Suspension and Frame

1. Suspension systems must be stock.
2. Bumpers may not be welded to the body or frame, but the bumper can be welded to the bracket and then the bracket to the frame~ Limit of two 2 inch strap iron may be welded from the bumper to the hood/trunk lid. A metal bumper can be added for cars that only have a plastic bumper. Must be OEM, not custom built.
3. Bumper struts and bumper shocks can be welded. (**DANGER: TO AVOID EXPLOSION, BUMPER STRUTS MUST BE DRILLED AND DRAINED PRIOR TO WELDING AND BEFORE INSPECTION!**)
4. The bumper strut may be secured by welding a maximum of eight inches of LOOSE chain to the strut mounts.
5. Pre-run cars are allowed to repair damaged areas of the frame on the front and rear of the car (4 total repairs on the car maximum). You may use one plate (patch) that is 6 inches by 8 inches by ¼ thick plate maximum for each repair. A 3 inch minimum spacing between repairs is required if doing more than one. The patch may only be placed on the part of the frame that is damaged. There must be a clear sign of damage from a previous derby – tear, crack or extreme bend. The patch must be placed flat either on the top, bottom, inside or outside rail. Patch may be welded only, no bolting. No other frame welding is allowed. All other repairs made to the frame will be cut and removed.

Batteries

1. Batteries must be secured inside of vehicle on the floor in front of passenger seat.
2. Batteries must be covered with rubber of some type or contained in a secured battery box with cover.

Tires

1. 10 ply max DOT tires or 10 ply bobcat tires only. No implement, military, solid, foam-filled, aircraft or studded tires are allowed.
2. All tires will be marked with a minimum of a 3 inch wide paint stroke to distinguish movement for officials.

Special Alterations Allowed

1. Driver's and passenger front doors can be reinforced.
2. Reinforcement material cannot extend further than twelve (12) inches past the door.
3. The material can be flat or strap iron not exceeding 1 inch in thickness, or channel iron not exceeding 3/8 inches thick and 8 inches wide and stick out no more than 2 inches from the door.
4. Seat and driver's stabilization bar may be installed at back of seat level or lower and run door to door. Plate ends of bar cannot exceed 10 inches square.
5. A vertical bar can be installed instead or in conjunction with drivers bar and must be padded.
6. Dash bars are allowed and cannot be made of anything larger than four (4) inch tubing and plate ends cannot exceed eight (8- 10) inches square.
7. Screens placed over the driver's portion of the windshield area are recommended and may be supported by a center support running from fire-wall to roof of car.
8. If at any time the visibility of the driver is impaired and unsafe they will be disqualified.
9. Halo bars are allowed but cannot be secured to the frame.

Anything in question not covered by a rule will be determined on the spot by the Demo Coordinator/Inspector

NOTE: The rules governing the NW Montana Fair Demolition Derby Championships were established December 8, 2018. The input of drivers in attendance, as well as officials, led to these rules. If you have any complaints, please attend next year's meeting and your input will be strongly considered.

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Demolition Derby

WAIVER, RELEASE OF ALL CLAIMS, AND HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT

(to be signed by Driver and each Pit Crew member)

By signing this Waiver, Release of All Claims and Hold Harmless Agreement, and participating in the described activities, you will be waiving and releasing all claims for injuries, damages, arising out of any and all activities of any kind or nature whatsoever that you might sustain. The terms "I", "me", and "my" also refer to parents or guardians as well as the contestant, pit crew member, or recipient of a pit pass entry, all such persons being also hereinafter referred to as "Participant." As consideration for being allowed to participate and/or compete in the demolition derby or granted a pit pass entry or allowed to participate as a pit crew member at the NW Montana Fair Demolition Derby at the Flathead County Fairgrounds, Kalispell, Montana, the participant agrees to all statements and representations set forth in this agreement.

Furthermore, in consideration of being permitted to enter for any purpose any part of the property (herein "Property") of the Flathead County Fairgrounds, herein referred to as "FCF" and/or in consideration of being permitted to compete, officiate, observe, work for, or for any purpose participate in any way in any events being conducted at the FCF, EACH OF THE UNDERSIGNED, for himself/herself, his/her personal representatives, children, parents, guardians, heirs, and next of kin, also collectively herein "Participant", acknowledges, agrees and represents that he/she has, or will immediately upon entering any part of such Property, and will continuously thereafter, inspect such Property and all portions thereof which he/she enters and with which he/she comes in contact, and he/she does further warrant that his/her entry upon such Property and his/her participation, if any, in the event constitutes an acknowledgement that he/she has inspected such Property area and that he/she finds and accepts the same as being safe and reasonably suited for the purposes of his/her use, and he/she further agrees and warrants that if, at any time, he/she is in or about such Property and he/she feels anything to be unsafe, he/she will immediately advise the officials of the FCF of such and will immediately leave the area. In further consideration of the foregoing, the Participant agrees as follows:

1. The undersigned Participant represents he/she is sixteen (16) years of age or older.
2. As a Participant, I recognize and acknowledge that there are certain risks of physical injury, and I agree to assume the full risk of any injuries, including death, damages, or loss which I may sustain as a result of participating, in any manner, in any and all activities whatsoever connected with, associated with, or arising out of the demolition derby which includes but not limited to driving in the derby, entry to the pit pass area, permission to participate as a pit crew member, participation as a contestant, being allowed in the pit area, and any and all other activities of any kind or nature whatsoever of the FCF or on the Property (collectively herein referred to as "Activities.") I further recognize and acknowledge that the activities are inherently hazardous Activities and involve substantial risks of injury or death.
3. I agree to waive and relinquish any and all claims I may have as a result of participating in the Activities against the FCF, and its officers, agents, board members, directors, representatives, employees, and all other persons and entities of whatever nature that might be directly or indirectly liable for any injuries that I might sustain while participating. (The parties described in the preceding sentence are referred to as "Released Parties" in the remainder of this Agreement.)
4. I do hereby fully release and discharge the FCF, and any and all other Released Parties, from any and all claims resulting from injuries, including death, damages and losses sustained by anyone, and arising out of, connected with, or in any way associated with my conduct and any Activities.
5. The Participant acknowledges all the Activities are hazardous and dangerous activities and that by participating in the Activities, whether as a driver, contestant, employee, pit crew member, recipient of a pit pass entry, or volunteer, or in any other capacity of any kind or nature, the Participant is exposed to a substantial and serious risk of property damage, personal injury, or death.
6. The Participant agrees the Participant will not at any time, directly or indirectly, file or prosecute any cause of action, lawsuit, or any other proceeding of any kind or nature, against the FCF and any and all other Released Parties, arising out of, related to, or concerning, any claims or demands that are waived, released or discharged by the Participant in this agreement or in any other actions, causes of action, claims or demands, that may be related in any way to the Activities and any other terms of this agreement.
7. THE PARTICIPANT HEREBY AGREES TO INDEMNIFY AND SAVE AND HOLD HARMLESS the Released Parties and each of them from any allegations, claims, actions, suits, demands, damages, liabilities, obligations, losses, settlements, judgments, costs and expenses (including without limitation attorneys' fees and costs) which arise out of, relate to or result from any act or omission of the Participant in or upon the area or Property or in any way competing, officiating, observing or working for, or for any purpose participating in any event or Activities and whether caused by the negligence of the Released Parties or otherwise.
8. THE PARTICIPANT HEREBY ASSUMES FULL RESPONSIBILITY FOR AND RISK OF BODILY INJURY, DEATH, OR PROPERTY DAMAGE due to any action of Released Parties or otherwise while in or upon the Property owned by FCF and/or while competing, officiating, observing, or working for or for any purpose participating in any event or the Activities.
9. **THE PARTICIPANT HEREBY AGREES THAT ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR GLASS CONTAINERS WILL BE BROUGHT ONTO THE FLATHEAD COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS AND PROPERTY UNDER ANY CIRCUMSTANCES BY ANY PARTICIPANT, DRIVER, CREW MEMBER OR PIT PERSON OR ANYONE ACCOMPANYING A PARTICIPANT. THE UNDERSIGNED HEREBY AGREES THAT NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE CONSUMED IN THE PIT AREA BY ANY DRIVER, CREW MEMBER OR PIT PERSON. I ALSO UNDERSTAND THAT ALL VEHICLES ENTERING THE PIT AREA WILL BE CHECKED BY THE FCF FOR ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND GLASS CONTAINERS. I CERTIFY THAT I AM NOT UNDER THE INFLUENCE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES OR DRUGS.**

10. I further understand and agree that the terms such as “participation”, “participating”, “activities”, referred to in this agreement, include all actions and physical movements of any nature while I am involved as a contestant, driver, pit crew member or authorized for a pit pass entry or involved with the demolition derby in any manner and in any way involved in an activity defined herein, for which I may be required to pay a fee or not pay a fee and further includes the provision and/or failure to provide proper instructions or supervision and use and adjustment of any and all equipment, supplies and apparatus and anything related to the use of the services provided by any of the Released Parties and all Activities referred to in this agreement and anything incidental thereto.
11. I expressly agree that this Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless Agreement is intended to be as broad and inclusive as permitted by the laws of the State of Montana, and that if any portion thereof is held invalid, it is agreed that the balance shall, notwithstanding, continue in full legal force and effect.
12. This Agreement shall be binding upon and inure to the Participant, and the heirs, legal representatives, children, parents, guardians, successors and assigns of the Participant and the individual signing this form.
13. In the event any portion of this agreement is found to be unenforceable by law, said portion of the agreement shall be stricken and the remainder of the agreement shall remain in full force and effect.
14. I represent that I have full power, authority, capacity and right without limitation of any kind or nature whatsoever to execute, deliver and perform according to the terms of this agreement.

TO BE COMPLETED BY DRIVER:

Name _____

Address: _____ City: _____ State: _____ Zip code: _____

email address: _____

Contact Phone _____

Make & Year of Car _____

Owner of Car _____

Number of Pitmen _____ Car # desired: _____ Alternate# _____ 2nd Alternate# _____

I, the driver, have read the rules and ACCEPT THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES AS FINAL. I agree to use the track in its present condition. **I have carefully read, fully understand, and know the contents of the Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless Agreement and sign said Agreement as my own free act.**

Signature _____ Date _____ Age _____

Parent/Guardian signature (if applicant is under 18 years old as of 8/18/2019) _____

Parent/Guardian printed name _____

Office use only:

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Amount Received \$ _____ Receipt Number _____

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TO BE COMPLETED BY PITMAN:

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
email address: _____ Driver assisting: _____

I, the Pitman of driver acknowledged above, have read the rules and ACCEPT THE DECISIONS OF THE JUDGES AS FINAL. I agree to use the pit area in its present condition. **I have carefully read, fully understand, and know the contents of the Waiver, Release and Hold Harmless Agreement and sign said Agreement as my own free act.**

Signature _____ Date _____
Parent/Guardian signature (if applicant is under 18 years old as of 8/18/2019): _____
Printed Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY PITMAN:

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
email address: _____ Driver assisting: _____

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Signature _____ Date _____
Parent/Guardian signature (if applicant is under 18 years old as of 8/18/2019): _____
Printed Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____

TO BE COMPLETED BY PITMAN:

Name _____ Phone _____
Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip code _____
email address: _____ Driver assisting: _____

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Printed Parent/Guardian Name: _____ Date: _____

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ANNOUNCER INFORMATION
*******PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY*******

DRIVER NAME _____

CITY OF RESIDENCE _____

MAKE & MODEL OF CAR _____

SPONSOR(S):

PITCREW NAMES:

HOBBIES/INTERESTS OF SPECIAL NOTE:

Office use only:

HEAT # _____