

# 2017 GENERAL PULLING RULES FARMSTOCK & ANTIQUE TRACTORS

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**BRADFORD FAIR DATES: JULY 13 – 16, 2017** 

## **GENERAL CONTEST RULES**

- 1. Violation of any rule will constitute a disqualification.
- 2. All operators must attend a Driver's Meeting at the signup area 15 minutes before the pull starts.
- 3. Contest will be governed by 3 or more judges including sled operator, with all decisions final.
- 4. Judges may disqualify any operator for not operating safely.
- 5. No coaching on the track unless you are a new puller.
- 6. Packing of track with your tractor or other tractors to improve track conditions for your hitch is not allowed.
- 7. Any protests against operators and/or equipment must be made before or during the class, and then only by another operator in that class. Whoever launches the protest will also have their tractor for that class teched also. NO EXCEPTIONS.
- 8. Tractors may be entered in no more than 2 classes per event, and only once per class. Unless otherwise stated in the Driver's Meeting.
- 9. Only track personnel and operator of the tractor hitched to the sled is allowed on the track. No spectators or other drivers.
- 10. The number one puller is the test puller They may or may not take the first pull the driver must decide when still hooked to the sled. If the 1<sup>st</sup> pull is NOT taken, they MUST pull again immediately.
- 11. Each vehicle MUST come to the start line with a draw bar with minimum OPENING OF AT LEAST 3 INCHES (CLEVIS PERMITTED).
- 12. Judges have option of moving start line between classes.
- 13. Tractors not ready, when it is their turn to pull for any reason will pull last. No slipping into middle of the class to pull.
- 14. Any object that hits the pulling track from the tractor while hooked to the sled is cause for disqualification including weights.
- 15. Any vehicle that leaves the course of boundary lines will be disqualified the vehicle in this rule being tire tread, also the boundary to be determined by the judge.
- 16. Generally random draw order, to be drawn at sig-up.
- 17. At least two entries per class or class will be canceled.
- 18. No shifting of t/a or case-a-matic and so-on unless it is a farmstock pull.
- 19. Operators have the option to spot the sled anywhere on the start line as long as prior notice is given to the sled operator.
- 20. All pulls to start with a tight chain. No jerking allowed. May be cause for disqualification.
- 21. Contestants allowed two attempts within 50 feet to make a measurable pull. Must re-pull immediately.
- 22. If there is a problem with the sled during the hitch, you will be asked to re-pull when the sled is
- 23. If you disrupt a pull, or are caught tampering with other tractors you will be told to leave immediately.

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### **OPERATORS**

- 1. Written permission of parent or guardian if operator is under 18 years of age. Parent or guardian and minor must also sign Minor Release and Waiver of Liability and Indemnity Agreement.
- 2. Tractor owners and operators assume full responsibility for negligence and accidents.
- 3. The driver must remain in seat during pull.
- 4. Any UNSPORTSMANLIKE conduct will be an IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION of tractor and driver.
- 5. ANY USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND/OR DRUGS WILL BE AN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION OF TRACTOR AND DRIVER.
- 6. Driver and vehicle may be disqualified or moved to the rear if they hold up an event.

#### **GENERAL SAFETY RULES**

- 1. ANY USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES AND/OR DRUGS WILL BE AN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION OF TRACTOR AND DRIVER.
- 2. All vehicles must have brakes that work.
- 3. The driver MUST have complete control at all times NO HOT RODDING.
- 4. Tractor must be stopped immediately upon signal from the judge.
- 5. Tractor must be in neutral or park when hitching and unhitching from the sled, and both hands must be held out towards sides to signify that you have done so.
- 6. Must have all wheels in place.
- 7. NO PASSENGERS AT ANY TIME.
- 8. 2 ½ pound fire extinguisher (ABC) recommended in all classes.
- 9. Any weight must be secured No weight on floorboards or in cabs.
- 10. Spectators and other operators not allowed on the track.

### WEIGHT AND BRACKETS – ALL CLASSES

- 1. Added weight brackets and weights must be securely attached to the frame or wheels.
- 2. Nothing to be above or 6 inches behind rear wheels, except wheelie bars (should be 10")
- 3. No weight or brackets to interfere with hitching.
- 4. Weights may be no more than 11 feet forward of the centerline of the rear axle. This includes weights or brackets.
- 5. No weights to be on the floors, foot rest, draw-bar, seat, in cab, or on 3 pt links.
- 6. No weight to be moved between your tractor and any other tractor competing in the same class.

#### HITCH

- 1. Minimum of 18" behind centerline of rear axle. Maximum of 36" behind centerline of rear axle.
- 2. No more than 20" from surface of scales.
- 3. No more than  $1\frac{1}{4}$ " steel from hook point to the back of the hitch (towards sled).

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### RPM'S

### ANTIQUE STOCK

- 700 PTO RPM max.
- 800 max for Fords and others with 700 factory rated rpm from factory.
  - o Puller must provide literature to prove this.

### ANTIQUE ENHANCED

- 2750 ENGINE RPM max for all inline engines (Farmali, Oliver, etc).
- 1800 ENGINE RPM max for all John Deere 2 Cylinder

## **FARM STOCK**

- 700 PTO RPM max for tractors equipped with 540 rpm shaft.
- 1200 RPM max for tractors equipped with 1000 RPM shaft.
  - o If factory rated higher than 1000 then 1300 allowed. Puller must provide proper documentation.

### **TOO HOT TO FARM**

• 3000 ENGINE RPM max

<u>WHEELIE BARS</u> – ALL TRACTORS are required to have wheelier bars installed and must be built to NATPA specs.

**MPH** Antique enhanced tractors are ALL allowed 6 mph.

### TOO HOT TO FARM

- 2.5 Inch Turbo outlet MAX
- No non-farm engines allowed
- No cut tires allowed
- Must have NATPA spec wheelie bars
- Must have deadman throttle
- Must have crossbolts in exhaust
- May not pull more than 500 lbs light in any class
- Weight classes will be 11,500 and 13,000
- Turbo adaptor plate rule under discussion
- Emergency air shutoff mandatory. Must be in rear center of tractor.

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