

VINTAGE TRACTOR PULL GUIDELINES

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1.0 PREAMBLE

Tractor pulling is not a competition; it is only a fun sport to test the pulling capacity of your old tractor. Tractors are to be classified into two classes:

- (a) Tractors manufactured 1955 or earlier; referred to as "Vintage Tractors".
- (b) Tractors manufactured 1956 or later; referred to as "Classic Tractors". All participating tractors need to be at least 30 years old.

2.0 HORSEPOWER RANGES WILL

Horsepower ranges will be set on the maximum drawbar horsepower.

Under 15hp, 16-20hp, 21-25hp, 26-30hp, 31-35hp, 36-40hp, 41-45hp, 46-50hp, 51-55hp, 56-60hp, Open.

Horsepower classes are optional to all clubs.

3.0 MODIFICATIONS

All tractors must be in standard form with no modifications whatsoever.

Tyre variations will be allowed only if:

- (a) They were available as an option when new.
- (b) They are the only modern size tyre available to replace old tyres.
- (c) Rim spacers will only be permitted to enable modern tyre sizes to fit old rims.

4.0 WHEEL WEIGHTS

Two wheel weights can be fitted per wheel, to any tractor irrespective of make or model, cast or steel rims. The wheel weight must not protrude more than two inches or 50mm past the outside of the tyre. These weights must have been originally manufactured as a wheel weight, be of cast or steel material and be fitted in a proper and safe manner. It is left to discretion of the Safety Officer or Club Committee regarding the number of "Chamberlain weights" [sandwich weights] fitted to Chamberlain Tractors only.

5.0 OTHER WEIGHTS

No other weights will be allowed on the tractor. No tractors will be allowed with any other equipment fitted.

6.0 MAXIMUM DRAW BAR HEIGHTS

Maximum height for draw bar will be:

- (a) Under 25hp classes - 18" maximum.
- (b) Above 25hp classes - 22" maximum.

No modified drawbars are allowed. All drawbars must be as supplied by the manufacturers.

7.0 WHEN FRONT WHEELS LIFT OFF THE GROUND YOU WILL BE STOPPED.

- 8.0 ALL DRIVERS MUST BE LICENSED AND INSURED.**
- 9.0 NO PASSENGERS ALLOWED ON TRACTORS IN COMPOUND OR PULLING TRACK.**
- 10.0 NO RIDING ON SLED, ONLY DRIVERS ALLOWED ON SLED, UNLESS AN EXTRA SET IS FITTED.**
- 11.0 PULLING WILL START AND STOP AT THE SOUND OF A HORN ON THE SLED, OR AS SIGNALLED BY THE FLAGMAN.**
- 12.0 TRACTORS MUST BE IN NEUTRAL AND DRIVERS MUST HAVE BOTH HANDS RAISED TO INDICATE "NEUTRAL" BEFORE HOOKING UP AND UNHOOKING.**
- 13.0 TRACTORS MUST BE DRIVEN NO FASTER THAN WALKING PACE AT ALL TIMES.**
- 14.0 ALL TRACTORS WILL BE OBSERVED BY A SAFETY COMMITTEE APPOINTED BY THE CLUB.**
- 15.0 IF THERE IS A SET FITTED ON THE TRACTOR, THE DRIVER MUST REMAIN CORRECTLY SEATED AT ALL TIMES.**

It is intended that these "Tractor Pull Guidelines" should be followed by all Clubs conducting such an event. These Guidelines are produced with the aim of providing a safe operating procedure for the exhibitor, the officials and the viewing public. Please remember, modifications only as above, this event is for the Vintage & Classic Tractors only. Your club input is always welcome. Please contact the NHMA Secretary with information.