

WILLAGE OF DOBBS FERRY SE SOAP BOX DERBY RULES

Have FUN and be SAFE!

The Derby is intended to be a fun and entertaining event for participants, spectators, and volunteers as well as showing off the talent and creativity of the participants.

FEES

The registration fee will be \$150 per team. The DERBY*GOKIT® includes an automotive style steering mechanism, wheels, instructions, templates and all parts needed to build a basic racer, with the exception of a half sheet of 5/8" plywood, nails, screws, glue and paint and your imagination! (Registration is secured once the fee has been paid in full. Once all slots are filled a waiting list will be created. Races will consist of 2 vehicles at a time.

DIVISIONS

Vehicles will be timed. Teams with the fastest average time will move on to the championship rounds. The championship races will also be timed, and the two fastest cars will compete in the final race.

Division Ages Groups
Little Turtles - Ages 8-12
Turbo Teens - Ages 13-17
Awesome Adults - Ages 18+

There will also be a prize for the top 3 best looking/most creative cars decided by the judges.

SAFETY AND PARTICIPANT ETIQUETTE

All drivers and team members must sign a Release of Liability form prior to racing. Drivers under eighteen (18) must have a Release of Liability form signed by a parent/guardian. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification.

Vehicles will be inspected for safety prior to the start of the race. All vehicles must pass the safety inspection in order to participate.

All drivers must be present with their vehicle at the vehicle inspection and pre-qualify to drive on race day. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification.

Each driver/passenger is required to wear a helmet that is secured to their head by a strap. At a minimum, helmets must meet bicycle helmet standards. Full-face helmets are highly recommended. Closed toed shoes are also required. Other protective gear is recommended.

Cell phones, text messaging, and alcohol do not mix with driving, and will not be tolerated.

Cars must have brakes!
All cars will be inspected prior to race start!

PARTICIPANT ETIQUETTE

Yield to the downhill driver. Bumping will not be permitted.

Unsportsmanlike or unsafe racing, as determined by Derby officials, will result in immediate disqualification.

Unsafe vehicles may be disqualified at the discretion of Race Officials.

Rules are subject to change at the discretion of the Race Committee.



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DRIVERS AND PARTICIPANTS

Teams will consist of one driver and at least one additional "pit crew member".

All participants must be at least 46 (forty - six) inches or 8 (eight) years of age or older by the time of the event.

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All drivers must be present with their vehicle at the vehicle inspection and prequalify to drive on race day. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification.

Team members are encouraged to dress in a manner that exudes team spirit and enthusiasm! Have fun building your car...and have fun entertaining the crowd!

VEHICLE REQUIREMENTS

All registered vehicles will be issued a car number prior to the race. This number must be affixed or painted on the vehicle at all times.

Vehicles may not weigh more than 500 pounds, including driver.

The vehicle may be no wider than 4 feet, no longer than 8 feet, and no taller than 8 feet.

Vehicles are limited to one driver.

"Head First" driver/passenger positions will not be allowed, due to higher risk of injury.

No automobile frames and axles will be permitted.

No glass will be allowed in the construction of vehicles.

Each vehicle must always have a minimum of three wheels in contact with the track. Skateboards, luge boards or similar and their wheels will not be permitted.

Vehicle must be steerable, capable of avoiding other cars or obstacles.

Each vehicle must have functional brakes. (No Fred Flintstone-style brakes or anchors that could damage the road)

Brakes must remain functional throughout the event to prevent disqualification.

Each vehicle must be powered by gravity only! No additional means of propulsion are permitted.

Dry cell batteries can power lights or decorations. No car, motorcycle, or lawnmower batteries.

It is recommended that each vehicle have an audible horn/bell.

Any vehicle damage that occurs during a race is required to be reported to a Derby Official. Teams will be allowed to make repairs and participate in the next race; however, vehicles must be repaired and ready for the next heat/race. Race officials will not delay further heats/races for participants to make repairs.

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