

Houlton Demolition Derby Rules For ¼ Ton Pickups & Midsize SUVs

All rules and regulations must be followed at all times to ensure the safety of all participants and spectators and the integrity of the property on which it is held! Any violation of the aforementioned rules and regulations will lead to disqualification.

- Drivers must be 18 years of age or older.
- Drivers must fill out and sign their own entry form and be present for the drivers meeting.
- Entries are limited to 2 (two) cars per driver and pit crew is limited to 2 (two) crew members per driver! (2nd vehicle will dependent on number of entries and heats)
- Alcohol is **absolutely prohibited** on the fairgrounds. Any driver found to be in possession or under the influence will be immediately disqualified and escorted off the grounds. The same goes for pit crew members.
- Drivers are required to wear helmets. Open face helmets are allowed but FULLFACE helmets are recommended as well as a foam neck brace.
- Direct intentional hitting of the driver's side door is strictly prohibited.
- Any stock ¼ Ton pickup truck (regular or extended cab), Mid-size SUV, or Minivan; two (2) wheel drive. 4 Wheel drives are allowed but must have one drive shaft removed and transfer case in high range. 4 & 6 cylinder engines.
 - Examples of permitted vehicles: Ford Ranger, Chevy S-10, Jeep Cherokee, Ford Escape, GMC Envoy, etc.
- No ½ Ton or ¾ Tons permitted.
- Pickup bed must be anchored (fastened) in a minimum of 4, maximum of 8 extra places to the frame. Bolts, U-bolts, or chains permitted as fasteners. Maximum size of 6 inch washers or 6x6 metal plates can be used on the floor to aid in anchoring bed to frame.
- Seat belts must be functional and worn at all times, stock safety belt and seat may be replaced with racing type seat and harness if desired.
- Doors must be welded or chained, welds must be in three (3) different places and be at least 4 inches long. Doors may be chained if chained through door around door post. Not around window post. Welded doors recommended.
- All bumpers are to be stock type. **NO** fabricated bumper or reinforcements permitted. Bumper height must be no higher than 28 inches from the center of the bumper to the ground. Rear bumper must have hitch/hitch plate removed.

- All glass, chrome, and plastic trim (anything that may become lodged in the track) must be removed before bringing the car onto the grounds. Windshields are optional and may remain intact.
- Batteries must be relocated inside the vehicle securely held in place and covered by a non-conductive cover material. Only one (1) stock 12 volt battery will be allowed. **(NO LARGER THAN GROUP 31)**
- Fuel tanks may be replaced by fuel cells or smaller tanks. Stock tanks are allowed but must be relocated to the rear of the cab. All tanks must be securely fastened. **NO MORE THAN 5 Gallons in fuel tanks.** Fuel tank must be designed as such, no 5gal pails or gas cans.
- Water only in the cooling system, drain antifreeze and replace with water.
- Hoods to be **Chained Only** incase of fire in the engine compartment. A 6" hole required for quick fire extinguisher access.
- Tailgates or Rear Hatches to be chained or welded. Chained is preferred.
- No Lift Kits. Stock vehicle suspension only.
- Stock tires only, no hardened rubber or studded tires, air only no liquids.
- Vehicle must be cleared by safety techs before each heat.
- A time limit will be set by judges. If a driver does not hit a live car within the set time limit, the driver may be disqualified. **DO NOT PLAY POSSUM!**
- No obscene or vulgar language to be displayed on the vehicle.
- No protruding objects that could be dislodged and become a projectile. (example: flag poles & large hood ornaments).
- Arguing with a judge's ruling will lead to disqualification.

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