# DESERT EMPIRE MOTORSPORTS ORGANIZATION 2019 DESTRUCTION DERBY RULES

#### **General Information**

- 1. Drivers must be 16 years of age and having some form of Drivers License. Ages 16-17 must have a notarized permission slip.
- 2. Cars must be at the check in gate no later than 1:30pm on race day for inspection.
- 3. All entry forms must be sent to Debbi Benites 246 Drummond Ave Apt H Ridgecrest Ca. 93555. Checks payable to Desert Empire Fair, and received no later than October 10<sup>th</sup>. **NUMBERS WILL BE ASSIGNED AFTER ENTRY HAS BEEN RECEIVED**
- 4. Pre-Entry Fee is \$100.00 before October 10<sup>th</sup>, after October 10th entry fee is \$125.00. Entries include driver, 2 pit crew, and 1 t-shirt. Entry fee must be included with the entry form and filled out completely and legible. Extra pit passes can be purchased for \$25.00 each at the pit gate the day of event.
- 5. The drivers meeting will be held approximately 2:30.
- 6. Anyone driving a derby car on public streets does so at their own risk.
- 7. All cars must be removed after the event (unless previously arranged with Debbi Benites or Danny Quinn) will become property of Desert Empire Motor sports Organization.
- 8. No speeding in the pit area. Speed limit is 5 MPH. NO passengers in derby cars during the race.
- 9. All drivers must wear full faced helmets, shoes, long sleeve shirts, and long pants (no shorts). Goggles or face shields must be worn.
- 10. No playing possum. You must keep moving and hitting with authority. Any car standing for 2 minutes without hitting will no longer be scored. The 2 minute hit rule will be enforced. Red flag restarts the clock for all remaining cars still eligible prior to red flag.
- 11. Do not hit the driver's door. Sometimes this happens, but if it looks intentional or careless, you will be disqualified. Do not use your driver's door as a shield; it may cause you to get disqualified.
- 12. Management has the option to remove anything obscene or objectionable from any car entered. All decorations must be removed prior to racing. Winning cars will be inspected after the races are over. The ruling of the judges is final. Anyone entering the scoring tower will be disqualified. All participants must remain at the bottom of the stairs until invited up by an official.

Questions please call Danny 760-977-0216, Debbi 760-608-2858 Rules please call Dennis 760-608-3453 After 5 pm

### Inspection

- 1. All cars will be inspected between 10am and 2pm.
- 2. Decision of the Chief Steward is final in ALL cases.

- 3. After your car is inspected it will be impounded, ONLY the driver will be aloud in the impound area. No work will be aloud in the impound area.
- 4. Cars not passing inspection will return to the pit area to fix any problems and return to inspection. Any car that does not pass inspection will not be eligible to race.

## Full Size Car Division (stock)

- 1. Open to American manufactured passenger cars 1964 or newer, including all metal station wagons. No pickups, jeeps or convertibles. No limos, full framed imperials or 4-wheel drives allowed.
- 2. All General Rules apply to Full Stock Division.
- **3.** Bumpers must not be more than 24' from the track surface to the bottom of the bumper. Bumpers must remain OEM stock in the stock location for that model car. (No Cordoba bumper on Pintos etc.).

### **Compact Division**

- 1. Open to all 4 cylinder cars with a maximum wheelbase 106' and front wheel drive V-6 cars 1970 or newer.
- **2.** Bumpers must not be more than 18' from the track surface to the bottom of the bumper.
- 3. All General Rules apply to Compact Division.

#### **Full Size Truck Division**

- 1. Open to all Trucks and Suburban, ½ ton or ¾ ton.
- 2. No wood beds allowed.
- **3.** Bumpers must not be more than 24' from track surface to the bottom of the bumper.
- **4.** All General Rules apply to Full Size Truck Division.
- **5.** 4 wheel drives required to pull one drive shaft.
- 6. Truck bed must be welded to cab in 4 places.
- 7. Tailgate is required and must be welded or chained shut.
- **8.** Approved fuel cell must be installed in the cab or the front center of the bed directly behind the cab.
- **9.** Bed must be securely attached to the frame; chained, U-bolts or welded. If it comes loose you will be disqualified immediately.
- 10. On standard cab trucks a window net of some kind must be installed behind driver in rear window opening.
- 11. All General Rules apply to Full Size Truck Division.

### **Mid Size Truck Division**

1. Open to All Mini Trucks (4-Runners, Mini Broncos) 4 or 6 cylinder motors only.

- 2. Bumpers must not be more than 18" from the racing surface to the bottom of the bumper.
- 3. 4 wheel drives required to pull one drive line.
- **4.** Truck bed must be welded to cab in 4 places.
- 5. Tailgate is required and must be welded or chained shut.
- **6.** Approved fuel cell must be installed in the cab or the front center of the bed directly behind the cab.
- 7. Bed must be securely attached to the frame; chained, U-bolts or welded. If it comes loose you will be disqualified immediately.
- **8.** On standard cab trucks a window net of some kind must be installed behind driver in rear window opening.
- 9. A triangle with your number on it must be attached to the roof. 12x12x12 min.
- 10. All General Rules apply to Mini Truck Division.

### **General Rules**

- 1. Fire extinguisher must be mounted inside car within reach of the driver. Original mounting brackets must be used NO tape or tie straps allowed.
- 2. Extra batteries are allowed, a maximum of three. All extra batteries must be properly secured and covered with a non-conductive material.
- 3. You must cut a 24'x24' escape hole in the roof above the driver's seat. The edges must be made safe with a rubber hose.
- 4. There must be a 12' hole cut in hood over carburetor for fire protection. No coverings of any kind over said opening.
- 5. A triangle with your number on it must be attached to the roof. 18'x18'x18 min 24'x24'x24 max size. It must be easy to read your number from 200 feet away. TE.ST IT!
- 6. All drivers' doors will be pained white. **No numbers or writing aloud on the driver's door.** This is to identify the driver side of the car, and to help prevent an accidental hit to the door. If your car is painted a light color the driver's door must be painted black. Driver side numbers are to be located behind the driver's door. Numbers must be 24' tall by 6' thick, they must be bright colored and easy to read from 100 feet away.
- 7. No alcohol or starting fluid allowed.
- 8. All pot metal, glass, plastic and fiberglass must be removed and inside metal clean.
- 9. Fuel tank door must be removed.
- 10. All exterior chrome strips, clips and ornaments must be removed.
- 11. Vacuum all debris from bottom of doors and trunk.
- 12. 2 chains must be secured from the front of the hood to the core support. The hood can be chained to bumper. 1 loop min NO wrapping of the chain.
- 13. 2 chains or 2 bolts must secure the rear corners of the hood to the cowl or fender.
- 14. 2 chains must secure the trunk to the body. The trunk cannot be chained to the frame.
- 15. Maximum chain size 3/8, no smaller than 1/4. Welded links.
- 16. No pre-bending of deck lid or hood.

- 17. Bumpers may be welded to the frame, but no material other than the weld can be used. Shock bumpers may be drained (caution the shocks can contain high pressure) then compressed and welded. Bumpers may be shortened, but no sharp edges left. A chain (maximum chain size 3/8) may be welded to bumper and frame to prevent the bumper from falling off the car. Only 2 links may be welded to the frame and bumper. All trailer hitches must be removed.
- **18.** No altering, reinforcing, or cut welding of frame or suspension is allowed. Suspension must function! No seam welding!
- 19. Radiators must stay in stock location. Do not alter or reinforce mounting area. You may remove stock fan blade. You may install an electric fan. No additional water tanks allowed. Water only may be used. No oils, oil supplements, diesel fuel, etc may be used in the radiator.
- **20.** Original gas tank MUST be removed. Stock automotive tanks, racing fuel cells, marine fuel cells ok. Approved fuel tank must be installed in rear passenger seat area. Tank must be secured to floor with no less than4 straps, 4 chains, or 4 bolts. A properly fitting gas cap must be used. No rope, plumbers tape, bungee cords, or duct tape. No "plastic filler type" paint or solvent cans allowed. No 5-gallon jeep or jerry cans. Make sure your tank cannot come loose and will not leak.
- 21. D.O.T. tires only. No studded or fork lift tires allowed.
- **22.** Seat belts must be fastened to frame or floor pan and must be in working condition. Shoulder harness optional.
- 23. All doors must be chained shut. (chain size no less ¼ welded chain and no more than 3/8 welded chains). Drivers door only may be reinforced with door bars (2 bars maximum), foam, or steel. No front hoops. No full roll cages.
- **24.** Transmission coolers are allowed, if mounted inside the driver's compartment, transmission cooler must be covered.
- 25. Optional support bar maximum 6 inches diameter pipe with 12 x 12 plates on the end may be mounted behind seat between door posts. (B-pillar). Driver's door only may be reinforced or foam filled. You can replace the dash with a support bar if you choose to remove it. 3 inch maximum diameter installed from front door post to front door post. (A-pillar). Foam filled drivers door is a very effective safety measure. You may connect front and rear support bars to make box. 2 door bars drivers side, one door bar passenger side, 6 inch diameter maximum material. No kickers attached to floor board. No roof hoops.
- 26. THERE WILL BE NO ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN PIT AREA. ANY DRIVER, CREW MEMBER, OR OWNER FOUND TO HAVE ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES IN HIS DERBY CAR, SERVICE TRUCK OR IN THE PIT AREA WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. NO QUESTIONS ASKED, NO REFUND OF MONEY AND YOU WILL BE REMOVED FROM THE DERBY IMMEDIATELY BY THE POLICE DEPARTMENT. IT'S NOT WIRTH THE RISK.