

# Stock Garden Tractor Pull

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The pull will be held in the tractor pull area at the South end of the fairgrounds, near the Antique Tractor display area. Pullers should enter the grounds through the South Gate. **FOR MORE INFORMATION CALL 860-868-7726.**

## Garden Tractor Pull Rules

☛ **PLEASE BE ON TIME FOR REGISTRATION SO PULL CAN START ON TIME**

**New Requirement:** After having a tractor tip over backwards last year, all tractors from Class 1 to Super Stock must have wheelie bars. More information below.

*Stock garden tractors up to 20 hp – 1 or 2 cylinders, gas or electric. Engine cannot run over 3600 rpm*

All tractors must have a rigid draw bar height. For Big Wheels, classes 7 & 8 will be 12 inches from the ground.

Classes 7 & 8 Economy tractors will have a stock hitch that was original equipment or one built to original specs.

NO BOLT OR DRAW BARS behind the rear axle.

Draw bars must be made of ½" steel-must be bolted to original hitch 4"x4". Must have ½" of steel behind hole.

Can use ¾" washer to raise hitch to 1" below center of axle.

NO LOCKED REAR ENDS PERMITTED – THOSE EQUIPPED CAN NOT USE THEM. WE WILL BE WATCHING!!!

### WHEEL WEIGHTS — CLASSES 1 THRU 8

1. 8" thru 12" CAN BE HOMEMADE-not to exceed 75 lbs. per wheel. Big wheels — manufactured only — not to exceed 140 lbs. per wheel. NOTE: weights may be weighed at any time at discretion of an official. They must be removable.
2. Under mounted mowers are allowed. No chains over 10" long to hold mower deck to tractor. No other attachments.
3. No cut tires, no tire chains, dual wheels, 4x4's, crawlers, steel wheels, pit bulls, c-pels, or professional pulling tires.
4. WHEELIE BARS. They must be strong enough to support tractor. Bars must be made of 2" sq. tubing 1/8" thick or flat stock ¼" x 2 ¼" max. Brace 1¼" x 1¼" x 1/8" angle. Cross brace must not interfere with hitch or chain. Bars must not extend more than 4" behind the exterior of the tire, no more than 6" from the ground. They must have wheels or pads.
5. Cub cadets – MUST have a shield to deflect any flying parts to the ground in event of a mishap. Shields must be made of 16-gauge steel or 1/8" aluminum and surround the clutch housing on top and both sides.
6. **STOCK SEATS ONLY** – NO CAR, TRUCKS, BUCKET SEATS, ETC.
7. **DRIVER MUST SIT IN THE SEAT** – NO SITTING ON THE REAR EDGE OF THE SEAT OR LEANING BACK FURTHER THAN THE REAR OF THE SEAT. NO BOUNCING – ONE HAND ON THE WHEEL AT ALL TIMES. WE WILL BE WATCHING!!!
8. **FLAGRANT VIOLATORS OF ANY RULES WILL NOT PULL PER DECISION OF OFFICIAL.**

### SUPER STOCK RULES — CLASS 9

1. Garden tractors, up to 20 hp. One or two cylinder, 4 cycle, gasoline engines.
2. Frame cannot be lengthened more than four inches. Hood cannot be raised more than 3".

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Tractors must have wheelie bars that are strong enough to support the tractor, must extend 4" behind the exterior of the tire and will be no more than 6" from the ground. See Stock tractor rules for requirements.

3. All tractors must have a rigid draw bar. Max height will be 14". Bars must not extend rearward more than 15" from center of the axle. Rear engine tractors accepted, with rigid bars being as close as possible to the engine.
4. Maximum engine rpm must not exceed 4000 rpm's and may be checked at any time. All tractors must have sufficient shielding of belts, chains, clutches, etc. to deflect any flying parts to the ground.
5. Any type of tire may be used. Tires can be modified. Max. size will be 31/15.5/15. No dual wheels, tire chains or studs.
6. Super stock tractors cannot pull in any other class. Tractor may not weigh more than 1700 lbs. with 31/15.5/15 tires, and 1800 lbs. with 26/12.5/12 tires. Weight may be added to achieve these weights.
7. NOTICE: Super Stock Tractors will be weighed. There will be a one-time fee for the scale to be paid by the puller. Tractors may be rechecked at any time at a later pull at no fee and at the discretion of the official.

### GENERAL RULES

CHILDREN UNDER THE AGE OF FOURTEEN WILL NOT BE ALLOWED IN THE PIT EXCEPT WHEN PULLING – IF TWO OR MORE ARE PULLING WITH THE SAME TRACTOR, CHILDREN WAITING MUST WAIT OUTSIDE THE PIT.

1. A full pull will be 8 feet. If your first pull is less than 2 feet you will have the option to try again. **NOTE:** this is your first pull only.
2. Boundary lines will be 10 feet apart. If tractor or stone boat hits the boundary lines, the driver and tractor will be disqualified.
3. **NO JERKING STONE BOAT.** You must tighten the chain before pulling.
4. Drivers must remain seated **IN THE SEAT!!!** Not on the back edge of the seat. Drivers must keep one hand on steering wheel at all times while pulling. **NO** leaning back further than the back edge of the seat.
5. **ADULTS** – only one person per tractor per class. Two children from immediate family per tractor may pull in same class.
6. Kids 6-14 years must be able to safely operate the tractor to the satisfaction of our officials. Kids must also have an adult coach at **ALL TIMES**. Coaches must remain outside the boundary lines at time of pull.
7. Officials will "class" and check all the tractors. Their judgments are final.
8. No horseplay or alcoholic beverages allowed. No passengers on tractor.
9. **NO cheating: CHEAT ONCE — WARNING  
CHEAT TWICE — MISS TWO PULLS  
CHEAT 3 TIMES — KIDS OUT FOR SEASON — ADULTS OUT PERMANENTLY**
10. All tractors must have clevis or hole in draw bar large enough to accept hook from stone boat. Hole must be at least 2" diameter.
11. Class winners will be allowed to move up to next class pull – they will compete for fun only, **NOT** for ribbons.
12. Pulling committee and officials reserve the right to add any additional rules or correct any problems that happen at a pull.
13. After pulling and taking your tractors to your vehicles – No speeding through the grounds or parking lots – no driving around the grounds – take your tractor to the truck or trailer they will be loaded on. **NO PASSENGERS ON YOUR TRACTOR ON GROUNDS OR IN PARKING LOT.**

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### GARDEN TRACTOR CLASSES

- CLASS 1: Stock, Kids 6-10 years old, up to 12HP with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 2: Stock, Kids 11-14 years old, up to 12HP with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 3: Stock, Kids 6-14 years old, 14-20HP with 26/12/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 3G: Gravely-Kids 6-14 years old, with 26/10.5/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 4: Stock, Adult, 15 years and up, with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 5: Stock, Adult, 15 years and up, with 12-16HP with 23/10.5/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 6: Stock, Adult, 15 years and up, 20HP with 26/12/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 6G. Gravely-Adult, 15 years or up with 26/12/12 or smaller tires.
- CLASS 7: Stock Big Wheels, Kids 6-14 years, up to 20hp with 16/24 tires, none larger than 8.3x24 or 9.5.
- CLASS 8: Stock Big Wheels, Adult, 15 years and up, 20hp with 16/24 tires, none larger than 8.3x24 or 9.5.
- CLASS 9: Super Stock, Adult, 15 years and up.

**IMPORTANT:** THE AGE OF THE PULLER ON MAY 1st will determine the class he/she will pull for the entire season.

**NOTE:** There are a few tractors with factory stock 15" rims. These will be classed on an individual basis.

**FYI:** A 23/10.5/12 tire is 23" tall 10.5" wide and on a 12" rim. A 26/12/12 is 26" tall; 12" wide and on a 12" rim.



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