

# 2023 VANS/SUV RULES

## General Rules & Regulations

1. All drivers must sign the driver's paperwork before being inspected or they will not run the event.
2. You must be 16 years old to ride or drive in a car. Anyone under the age of 18 will have to have their parents' consent. (St. Charles Co fair no one under the age of 16 will be allowed in the pits).
3. Drivers must wear a seat belt, helmet, long pants & approved footwear
4. All drivers must attend the pit meeting before each event. Driver's meetings are always approx. 30 minutes before the event showtime.
5. No drivers are allowed any alcohol or drugs before their event. If found drinking alcohol or under the influence while wearing a driver's band, you will be disqualified for the remainder of the event
6. There is a \$250 protest fee, must be paid by a driver for the main event. The driver must have cash in hand directly after the feature to protest. If the car is found illegal the car will be disqualified.
7. Any complaints that a driver has about another car prior to the start of the first heat will need to be addressed in the drivers meeting in specifics. If nothing is said, we don't want to hear about it after the show
8. You have 1 minute to make an aggressive hit. After 1 minute that car is disqualified. That is 1-minute total. An aggressive hit is solely at the discretion of the officials.
9. For safety, DO NOT HIT THE DRIVER'S DOOR!!
10. You are given 2 fires- 1st one we put out and the 2nd one you are done for that round.
11. Rollovers- you may keep going as long as car is deemed safe
12. Watch the officials. If they are trying to get your attention, there is a reason
13. No holding or pinning, you must back up and show daylight.

14. The car qualifies, not the driver. During the event if a driver is unable to compete and has a replacement, please see driver's table for the driver to get signed up and fill out proper paperwork. If the original driver gets disqualified the car may not continue to compete.
15. All cars must be checked in and in the inspection line a minimum of 2 hours prior to showtime start. This will be strictly enforced.

### **Car Preparation**

1. . No Fresh Paint or Undercoating on the frames at all. No buffing or grinding frames or bodies except where welding is specifically allowed in these rules. No painting in the interior of the car.
2. May be any van or suv with 112.9 wheelbase or less with 4 cylinders or v6 only.
3. All cars must be stock unless modification is stated in the rules.
4. All glass, plastic, chrome, and interior must be removed from car before arriving to the derby
5. Batteries must be moved to passenger floorboard close to transmission. It must be properly secured and covered max of 2 batteries
6. All trailer hitches and braces must be removed
7. Remove all air bags!!
8. All cars must have working brakes.
9. You must have a number In Bright colors on each front door and must have 15"x 15" roof sign with car number on it for judging and recognition of car.

## Car building

1. NO creasing enhancements, sheet metal or frame shaping
2. Hoods must have a 12" hole in them, they can be fastened down in 4 places. 2 can be all thread as stated below on body mounts. Other 2 can be #9 wire. They can all be #9 if you choose
3. Body mounts must remain stock, if they are broken or rusted out you can fix them with a single piece of #9 wire. **EXCEPTION:** you may replace the front two body mount bolts with 5/8" all thread with (8) 3" washers and 4 nuts. Bottom nut and washer must be inside the frame.
4. #9 wire of chain is required in the front windshield from the roof to the fire wall
5. Doors may be chained or wired shut. You may weld the drivers door for safety, same for passenger front door if you have a rider
6. Cage-You may have a 4 point cage only 60" in length with on 2"x3" down bar per side welded to sheet metal only! If you choose not to have a cage you must have a driver door bar. And must have a back seat bar at least from door to door. Halos bars are to be attached to the back seat bar. No gas tank protectors!
7. Gas tanks **HAS TO** be moved to the back seat!
8. Must run factory pedals, shifters, brakes, and steering for that year make and model of van
9. Bumpers- any factory loaded bumper of your choice must be loaded on the inside, or a 4"x4" 1/4" flat tubing (no homemade points) as a front bumper. You may weld the stock brackets for that car or the bumper to the frame 4" on the frame from the back of the bumper. Also you can weld (4) 1" welds to the back of the bumper
  - Shocks may be collapsed and welded, but must remain in stock location and must extend 1" in front of the core support
  - Or you may shorten to 1" of the core support and hard nose it with no shocks
10. Tires-Any tires you want to run is fine but must be on a factory steel or aluminum wheel. If you need to weld a center in can run a 7" center no full centers or reinforcing
11. No carb engines allowed.

12. Trans mount may be bolted or welded in solid with a 2"x3"x ¼" 6" long but must be in factory location

### **Repair plates**

1. You will be allowed 2 plates on fresh cars and 2 more on pre ran for a total of 4 plates!
2. Plate size will be 6"x6"x1/8"
3. Repair plates can only be attached to the frame can be on multiple sides of the frame
4. Can be formed but NOT folded to make plate thicker
5. All plates MUST have a ½" hole for inspection
6. ½" wide single pass weld bead around the perimeter of the plate only
7. 1" gap between plates and welds
8. No over lapping plates
9. CALL OR TEXT if you have any other questions Cody (636)290-1423