

2022 Light Compacts

General Rules & Regulations

1. All drivers must sign 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 a parent's consent.
****ST. CHARLES COUNTY FAIR – NO ONE UNDER 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 in the main event. Driver must have cash in hand directly after the feature in order 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 day light.
14. 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

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. Must be 80 & newer car
3. 108" max factory wheelbase on FWD and 105" wheelbase on RWD cars . Leave vin tag to verify make/model/year. 4- and 6-cylinder engines only. NO SUVs or Trucks.

4. All cars must be stock, unless modification is stated in the rules.
5. All glass, plastic, chrome, and interior must be removed from car before arriving to the derby
6. Batteries must be moved to passenger floorboard close to transmission. It must be properly secured and covered max of 2 batteries
7. All trailer hitches and braces must be removed.
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. Driver and passenger FRONT doors may be welded solid with 3" wide 1/8" thick material. All other passenger doors may be welded with (5) 3"x 5"x 1/8" thick material anywhere on each door but 5 max per door
2. Do not weld or reweld any frame or unibody seams on the car. Period!
3. K frame must remain stock for the make, model, and year car you are running. Do not replace bolts unless specified in these rules
4. No aftermarket fabricated engine reinforcements aloud on engine. This means no carb protectors, reinforced engine mounts, or any other "protector" for the engine or transmission. DO NOT PUSH THIS RULE!

Bumper

You will be aloud one of the two options below for bumper. ONE OPTION NOT BOTH

OPTION 1: You may use any factory car automotive bumper on the front of your car. Bumper may be reinforced inside the factory skin only. Do not change the shape or appearance of the bumper when reinforcing. All reinforcements must be inside the chrome skin and backing material.

OPTION 2: You may build a fabricated bumper to the following guidelines only. Bumper must be no taller than 6". Bumper can not have a point larger than 4", point must be in the center of the bumper and span a minimum of 32" across the front of the bumper. Point will be measured from the front flat part of the bumper. NO SHARP EDGES ON THE BUMPER. OFFICIALS DECISION IS FINAL.

LEAVE THE REAR BUMPER AND BRACKETS FACTORY. Do not even touch the rear bumper. If you want to remove it that's fine but do not replace it other then with what came on that make, model and year car only!!

****you must use one of the two following options above****

Bumper Mounting

Use one of the following options not both

OPTION 1: Bumper may be welded solid to the end of the frame with a MAXIMUM plate size of 5"x5"x1/4" thick welded to the end of the frame to help hold bumper on. Maximum of 1/2" wide bead single pass to weld on bumper. If you decide to do this method you WILL NOT be allowed a bumper shock at all. You may shorten the front frame rails to a MINIMUM of 1" in front of the core support body mount bracket or 1" in front of core support on unibody cars

OPTION 2: The factory bumper shocks for that car must be used and must be bolted in the factory location for that car. You CAN NOT cut off the front frame at all. You may compress the front bumper shocks and weld to the end of the frame 1/2" wide bead single pass only.

Cage

1. All Cars must have a cage no exceptions. All cage material must be no larger than 6" OD, unless specified for a specific rule. It must also be a minimum of 12" off the floor everywhere except where the down tubes go straight down. No cage material may be within 6" of the firewall. Must be a minimum of 6" off the transmission tunnel which cannot be altered.
2. You may weld a bar behind the seat from door post to door post, it can be an X. Do not connect directly to the frame, and you may also have (with no extensions), across your dash area to replace your dash. You may run up to a 60" bar connecting the dash bar and the seat bar inside the front doors only. You may weld one down bar per side from the cage to the frame vertically. Do not angle these or conceal a body mount with them. These down bars must remain behind the inside door seam and can only be welded to the top side of the frame or floor. These bars cannot exceed 2"x3". You must have roll loop behind the seat, which must be welded to the floor or frame and may be bolted to the roof. You may also weld a factory only steering column to the steering cage. Back of cage, including roll bar has to be placed a minimum of 5" in front of the center of the rear seat body mount. On cars where this isn't present, must be 10" from driver's seat.
3. Center bar cant be bigger then 3" tubing and cant strengthen the car in any way

Gas tank protector

1. I recommend running a gas tank protector. It cannot attach to anything other than to your cage. Cannot exceed 24" wide and must be centered in the vehicle. It can only be attached to the back seat bar, it must be 6" off floor and roof sheet metal and 6" from rear sheet metal.
2. You can run factory fuel cell it must be moved inside to rear seat area tied down and fastened properly. Place fuel cell behind driver's seat or in the center of the vehicle.

Steering and Suspension

1. Tie rods must be stock. A-arms, ball joints, and all other steering and suspension must remain stock,
2. You may NOT change steering column to prevent losing steering
3. Struts must remain stock and stock for that year, make and model car you are running.

Tires and wheels

Tires no bigger than 16 inches, No split rims, No studded tires. Doubled tires and Solid Tires are ok – we don't want any flats!!! Valve stem protectors are ok. Tires may be screwed to rims. NO foam filled drive tires for the arena shows for safety reasons. Wheel reinforcement is allowed as long as the wheel starts with a stock wheel, and the reinforcement stays within the factory bead. Bead locks are permitted in this class. Bead locks may be no more than 20" in diameter and can be on inside of tire only.

Hood and Front fenders

1. Hood can only be attached with a MAXIMUM of 4 pieces of 3/4" max diameter threaded rod. MINIMUM of 4 pieces of 9 wire (2 loops) or 3/8" chain (1 loop) to hold hood. Pick ONE of the three options NOT ALL THREE! Hood must remain in factory location.
2. A max of 2 pieces of threaded rod may run through the frame and replace a K member/Body mount. These threaded rod running through frame must also run thru core support
3. Do NOT weld any of these pieces of threaded rod
4. You will be allowed a max of 4 standard sized nuts and washers to mount these threaded rod
5. Hood washers can only be max of 4"x4"x1/4"
6. You will be allowed a max of (4) 3/8" bolts to bolt together your hood skin around cut outs
7. You must have a least 12" hole in the hood in case of a fire
8. You can leave hood on factory hinges
9. NO WELDING ON THE HOOD AT ALL!!!
10. You will be allowed a MAXIMUM of (4) 3/8" bolts to bolt fenders per side. These bolts can not be used to attach hood to the fenders
11. No creasing or beating enhancements of the fenders or hood
12. You may have a MAXIMUM of 2 bars in front of the windshield opening to protect the driver. MINIMUM of on piece of 9 wire (2 loops) or 3/8" chain (1 loop). These bars may NOT be larger the 3" wide 1/4" thick and must only be bolted to the cowl and roof. Do NOT use these to strengthen the car or you will remove then and replace with wire.

Trunk

1. Trunk can only be attached with a **MAXIMUM** of 2 pieces of 3/4" max diameter threaded rod. **MINIMUM** of 2 pieces of 9 wire (2 loops) or 3/8" chain (1 loop) required to hold trunk. Pick **ONE** of the three options **NOT** all three. Chain, wire or rod may go thru the frame. Trunk must remain in factory location
2. Trunk washers can be a max of 4"x4"x1/4"
3. Do Not weld any of these pieces of all thread
4. Trucks may be tucked with a **MAXIMUM** of **ONE** 90 degree bend. **NO** dishing/beating, shaping of the trunk otherwise. Rear quarter panels must remain vertical with **NO** creasing enhancements
5. **NO** welding on the trunk lid at all
6. You will be allowed a max of 4 standard size nuts and washers to mount these threaded rods
7. **NO REAR WINDOW BARS AT ALL!**
8. You will be allowed a max of (4) 3/8" bolts to bolt rear quarter panels per side. These bolts can not be used to attach the trunk to the rear quarters
9. You must have at least a 6" hole in the trunk for inspection
10. You must leave trunk on factory hinges

Repair plates and rust repair

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. **YOU ARE ALLOWED ONE OR THE OTHER!** 6"x6"x1/8" or 4"x6"x1/4". **MUST BE ALL THE SAME SIZE! SO PICK ONE OR THE OTHER**
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 1/2" hole for inspection
6. 1/2" 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** before doing any rust repair!!!! Cody (636)290-1423