



# Wright County Fair 2024

## Lawn Mower Demo Derby Rules

Lawn Mower Derby will take place after last Combine Heat before the Combine Feature. Twenty minute time limit down to last mower or most aggressive hitter by judges decision when time expires.

1st Place - \$300 & Trophy; 2nd Place - \$200 & Trophy; 3rd Place - \$100, 4th Place - \$25. Best Decorated Mower - \$50 & Trophy. \$25 registration fee for driver and 1 pitman. No extra pit passes sold. Grandstand tickets reserved seating \$12.00.

All drivers must be 15 years or older (15-17 years of age must have a signed waiver from parents or guardians to participate). All drivers and pitmen must sign a waiver upon entering the pit area, holding NO ONE responsible but yourself for anything that happens. **PARTICIPATE AT YOUR OWN RISK.**

Drivers must wear long sleeve shirt, pants and shoes. **A HELMET IS REQUIRED.** Neck brace and seat belt recommended.

No alcohol permitted in pit before, during or after derby. You will be disqualified and forfeit any payouts.

Inappropriate language & gestures will not be tolerated, you will be disqualified.

Trophies will be presented on the track. Payouts must be picked up by announcers stand after combine feature.

**You must hit with front of mower during the derby. Hits are to be made to front and tires of other mowers only. Any intentional hit to rear of mower could result in being disqualified.**

No sandbagging or team driving allowed. You will be **warned once** then disqualified. Judges decision final.

Front mounted engines only are allowed on mowers, no rear mount, or zero turn mowers.

Engine must be factory gas mower engine no large than 25 hp., and must be belt driven.

Mowers must be electric start. No pull starts allowed.

All plastic, glass and mower deck must be removed. Use any seat that will fit on top of the mower.

Must have brakes and forward and reverse gears at start of derby. Spark plug and carburetor protectors are allowed.

**May have hand made exhaust header but must point up or down. Factory mufflers allowed.**

If gas tank or battery is in front of engine you must move it to a safe place. Battery and gas tank must be secured and covered. Gas cover and tank must not leak or you will not run.

Leg guards are mandatory and must be bolted or welded from rear fender to front of foot rest or frame. May not be attached to front bumper. Must not protect tires in any way.

Any mower with unsafe leg guard or any guard that falls off during event will not be allowed to continue.

Shifter guard is recommended to protect your hand/arm if shifter is mounted on fender. Hand throttle is allowed.

No grill guards on the front of mower. No kickers or braces from front bumper to leg guards.

Hood must stay stock and intact with the exception of replacing plastic/fiberglass hoods with sheet metal. Must stay same/style as the original. Hoods may be bolted, wired or chained down.

Engine bay area may be reinforced but must be contained inside the hood and maintain factory body lines.

Modification of drive pulleys is allowed but must stay belt driven.

Trans axles remain factory but reinforcing or welding of spider gears is permitted.

Frames must be stock. Frames may have repair welds. Frames may have added metal to attach bumpers.

Front and rear bumpers are allowed. Bumpers CANNOT extend beyond inside of tires! Bottom of front and rear bumpers must be at AXLE height! Bumpers can be NO LARGER than 3" x 3" and not extend out more than 4" from frame to front of bumper. No spikes, sharp edges, or V bumpers allowed. If you want to run they will have to be cut off. Official's decision final.

A roll bar is allowed. This is to protect the back of the seat. This bar may be mounted to leg protection structure or rear bumper but must not protect the rear wheels in any way!

Tires must be turf/lawn mower tires. No dually or bar tread tires. **Tires may be tubed. No fluid, foam or solid tires allowed - you will be disqualified.** Valve stem protection allowed.

FOR YOUR SAFETY – If your mower rolls over, you may be eliminated; all drivers must stop and wait for officials to restart derby.

**All mowers must have a NUMBER clearly displayed on hood and both sides of mower.**

Any mower or driver that is unsafe will be disqualified. All drivers must remain on mower during competition, unless directed by derby official.

**Must be on grounds and in pit by 5:00 p.m. to be inspected.** Pit opens at 2:00 p.m.

CHAIRMAN RESERVES THE RIGHT TO CHANGE RULES, AND KEEP EVENT FAIR AND SAFE. OFFICIAL'S DECISIONS ARE FINAL.