

RUTHERFORDTON'S ANNUAL "RACE FOR THE GOLD"
ADULT SOAPBOX DERBY RACE RULES:

- Each vehicle must have a minimum of three wheels in contact with the track.
- Each car must have functional brakes. (No Fred Flintstone style brakes, no anchors, no brakes that require contact with the road) Brakes must remain functional throughout the event to prevent disqualification.
- Each vehicle must be powered by gravity. No additional propulsion is permitted. This includes moveable weights, batteries, wind, solar, giant rubber bands, rocket engines and anything else that the judges determine to be too sneaky!
- The vehicle may be no wider than 4 feet, no longer than 8 feet, and no taller than 8 feet.
- The vehicle may not weigh more than 500 pounds. All ballast, excepting driver and passengers must be adequately secured in place. No automobile frames and axles will be permitted.
- The cost to build each vehicle may not exceed \$500. Please be creative. If you want to spend more...just make a cash donation to Rutherford Town Revitalization if it makes you feel better!
- Teams choosing to enter a vehicle from a prior year must stay within this total budget.
- No vehicle shall be allowed to enter for more than 2 consecutive years without major design changes (body styling), in an effort to continue to provide entertainment value for our spectators.
- Each vehicle must have an audible horn/bell.
- Each vehicle must be equipped with large eyebolts in the front and rear of the vehicle. These will be used to transport the vehicles back up the hill to the start of the race course. Vehicle must be constructed in a manner to allow multiple vehicles to be towed in a line (daisy chain) from these hooks, and for a Jeep to tow the vehicles back up the hill via rope and carabiner.
- Each vehicle's number must be displayed in a large and prominent fashion on the front and sides of the vehicle. Numbers must be clearly visible to the timing judges.
- "Head First" driver/passenger positions will not be allowed, due to higher risk of injury.
- Skateboards, luge boards or similar and their wheels will not be permitted.
- Each driver is required to wear a helmet that is secured to their head by a strap. At a minimum, helmets must meet bicycle helmet standards. Full-face helmets are recommended. Closed toed shoes and other protective gear are recommended.
- All teams are required to assist with set-up and clean-up on race day.
- Each team will be given a 10' x 10' pit area.

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- Cell phones, text messaging, and alcohol do not mix with driving, and will not be tolerated. **Team members will not be allowed to consume alcohol until they have been eliminated from the event.**
- All drivers and team members must sign a liability form prior to racing. Failure to do so will result in immediate disqualification.
- ALL VEHICLES WILL BE INSPECTED PRIOR TO RACE DAY. TEAMS WILL BE REQUIRED TO ATTEND PRE-RACE SAFETY INSPECTION AND TESTING. A PERFORMANCE TEST OF STEERING, STOPPING AND TOWING WILL BE CONDUCTED APPROXIMATELY TWO WEEKS PRIOR TO THE RACE. VEHICLES MUST BE CONSTRUCTED IN A SAFE, WORKMAN-LIKE MANNER AND MUST BE ABLE TO WITHSTAND THE RIGORS OF MULTIPLE RACE HEATS. UNSAFE VEHICLES MAY BE DISQUALIFIED AT THE DISCRETION OF RACE OFFICIALS.

RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE AT THE DISCRETION OF THE RACE COMMITTEE.

I HAVE READ THE RULES COMPLETELY AND UNDERSTAND AND AGREE TO THE REQUIREMENTS OF PARTICIPATING IN RUTHERFORDTON'S "RACE FOR THE GOLD" ADULT SOAPBOX DERBY.

X _____ DATE: _____

NAME: _____

PHONE: _____ EMAIL: _____