



# SATURDAY AUGUST 30th 2025 *100th event*

**4 Teams, 8 cars each team.**

**Two 4-team brackets will be used if there are 8 registered teams.**

**Preliminary Round** - 80s metric cars.

Team A vs Team B - winner to Championship Final, loser to Consolation Round

Team C vs Team D - winner to Championship Final, loser to Consolation Round

**Consolation Round** - 60s-70s non-metric cars.

One race between losing teams of the Preliminary Round. Winner = 3rd Place overall.

**Championship Final** - 60s-70s non-metric cars.

One race between the winning teams of the Preliminary Round. Winner = 1st Place overall.

\$15,000 payout per team. Each team is required to bring & race 8 individual FRESH cars.

*Any pre-raced cars must be approved by TDA.*

**1 team owner per team, 5 drivers max per team.** Team Owners must be registered by April 15th.

**Tire Rule- Any DOT Legal tire. No Swampers. No paddles. No agricultural on drive axles. No beadlock wheels.**

**Final Inspection/Tire Inspection will happen POST (after the event )**

**IF a team is illegal their earnings will be forfeited and distributed amongst the legal teams.**

**Any declaration as “race winner” will be awarded to the opposing team.**

# 2025 RULES

## VEHICLES

Permitted Cars:

80 's Round Cars- 1979 and newer Mopar Full-size Models, 1977 and newer GM Full-Size Models, 1979 and newer Ford and Mercury full-size Models. 1980 and newer Lincolns and Continentals. No left over previous non-metric cars. All cars must be of new metric design.

70's Round Cars- Any passenger car, or station wagons. NO Imperials, Hearses, Ambulances, Flower Cars, Checker Cabs or Marathons. You may use Lincoln Mark 3,4, or 5- 1968 or Newer. Town Cars 1973 and newer. Thunderbirds 1969 and Newer.

No cars with T-tops or convertible roofs in any form allowed. ANY SUNROOF opening MUST be secured with metal that is NO thicker than the OEM roof material itself.

## ENGINE, DRIVETRAIN & FUEL

Any make or model 8-cylinder engine is allowed in Any chassis.

Welding of motor mount stands to frame will be allowed however, no additional plating or reinforcement will be tolerated.

No electric fuel pumps.

No fuel injected engines.

Gasoline is the only fuel type permitted- NO alcohol or nitrous oxide systems allowed.

The stock OEM gas tank must be completely removed from all competition vehicles.

Plates used to protect distributors will be limited to close proximity to distributors, any plating material used is not to exceed 8 inch X 10 inch thick x ¼ inch thick.

No additional angle bracing of the distributor protective plate will be allowed. This also includes protecting the carburetor & fuel pump.

All Transmissions and Rear-ends must remain OEM. You may weld the spider gears or use factory posi-traction. You may change the gear ratio.

OEM sedan rear-end swaps allowed, up to 9-inch ring gear diameter. No factory truck rear axles. You can change and weld mounts and mount tabs to retro fit rear ends, i.e. Ford into a GM vehicle.

## BODY, FRAME, & SUSPENSION

Absolutely NO ADDITIONAL weight added to cars with the intent to increase the weight of the car. Adding any additional weight to any vehicle or drive train is unacceptable and not allowed.

All the following items are to be removed prior to entering the racing facilities:

- Trailer Hitches
- Glass
- Headlights
- Taillights
- Left Side Door Handles

*All vehicles are to be prepared for competition prior to arrival to the event.*

Trunk compartment must ALWAYS remain accessible and cannot be filled with ANY weight bearing material or objects, and the trunk lid can never be bolted shut.

Bodies & frames cannot be reinforced, filled or loaded with any weight bearing material. Violations of this rule will result in forfeit of prize money or points.

No additional welding on frame seams or plating frames allowed. The OEM Stock factory frame must be used only. No modification to any frame allowed that has not been PRE APPROVED by the designated TDA competition director. Violations of this rule will result in forfeit of prize money or points.

Upper control arms are to remain in the stock position; they can be welded to the frame.

The Sway Bar itself must remain OEM to the frame or chassis however can be moved NO FURTHER than 3 inches from the OEM mounting location. NO additional reinforcement to the mounting area or the sway bar itself will be allowed.

All bolts, including hood bolts, are not to exceed 1 inch in diameter, not to exceed 14 bolts total to the frame or body.

All body bolt washers or materials used as washers shall not exceed 4 inch x 6 inch x 6 inch (max 1/2 inch thick). No exceptions.

Painting and undercoating is not allowed to car frame in any location. If the vehicle is too rusty, don't use it.

Any make model CAR Bumper on Any vehicle. Absolutely no adding to the bumper. NO TRUCK BUMPERS ALLOWED. Bumper straps are permitted, not to exceed 1/8' thick x 2 inch wide steel strap.

All bumpers are not to exceed more than 22 inches from the ground. Lowest point of bumper not to exceed 22 inches from the ground to the highest point or top of the bumper.

Pipe shocks are allowed on all cars. Rear coil springs may be swapped to another OEM sedan coil spring. The car must adhere to the bumper height rule post-swap.

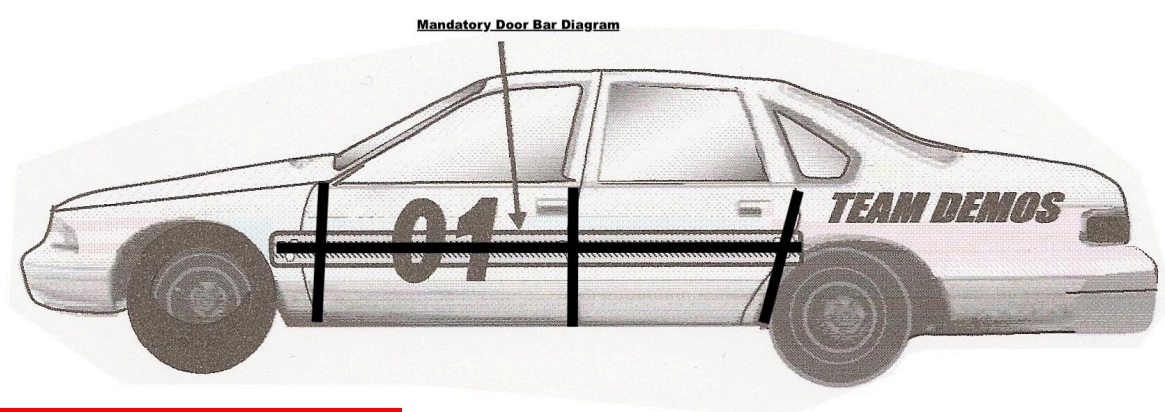
No additional plating may be done to secure the bumper to frame or boxes. If bumpers are aluminum, minimal reinforcement is allowed.

Bumper shocks must be stock and can be collapsed and welded. Must be mounted in stock location. No modifying is allowed.

Welding ONLY is allowed on the following areas:

- Bumper Mounts
- Backing Plates
- Bumper Boxes
- Frame Horns
- Rear-End Mounts for axle swap

*Not to exceed 8 inches from the front of the frame horn.*



#### **Mandatory Left Side Door Protection:**

9 foot maximum C CHANNEL along the left drivers side (not to exceed 9 feet) 1-1/2 inch x 4 inch x 1-1/2 inch not to exceed 1/4 inch thick. Post to Post minimum.

Steel Plate can be vertically welded to secure the drivers door and door jam. Vertical plates welded in place can be no thicker than 1/4 inch thick flat steel x 3 inches wide max. No bolting of plates allowed.

Angle iron bolted the driver's and passenger's doors not to exceed 4 inch x 6 inch x 36 inch. All other angle iron not to exceed 4 inch x 6 inch x 6 inch.. Not to exceed 1/2 inch thick. No exceptions.

Passenger side door must be reinforced with a metal strap from the roof post to the bottom of frame. Plate can be welded along seams and pillars. Intention of plate to stop the passenger side door from collapsing.

No welding on passengers inside door seams or reinforcement of cowl and door posts behind doors.

Battery Boxes CAN NOT exceed 1/8' thick and should conform to the same size of battery being used. Batteries are to be securely fastened down and covered with a rubber pad. No exceptions.

**Tire Rule- Any DOT Legal tire. No Swampers. No paddles. No agricultural on drive axles. No beadlock wheels.**

## **Safety**

Seat/Safety belts are required and MUST be worn. Vehicles MUST have seat/safety belts to pass inspection. a 5 point harness is strongly recommended.

Reinforced seat mounts are recommended. Stock headrests are recommended.

C-Collar, helmet support, and neck collar are all MANDATORY. NO EXCEPTIONS.

Knee Guards/Pads and Shin Guards/Pads are MANDATORY. NO EXCEPTIONS

Drivers must wear helmets. ( Goggles, full-face helmets with shields are recommended. )

Racing Jacket or Long Sleeve shirt is mandatory. Racing Pants, Full Length Pants, are mandatory. Absolutely NO SHORTS, or NO SHORT sleeves allowed. You will NOT RACE WITHOUT THE PROPER safety equipment.

Gloves are recommended for all drivers.

## **Competition**

Race Radios ARE NOT ALLOWED and any form of electronic communication is not allowed.

All competing vehicles must pass PRE-RACE inspection ON TRACK prior to the green flag for each round.

Scorer's and official's decisions are final! Any disputes, questions, or concerns will be heard by TDA officials.

All events will be filmed and reviewed if deemed necessary by officials.

Any car leaving the designated race area will be disqualified. This means BOTH bumpers have past track barriers.

TDA officials have the right to call a red flag during any situation that is an official call.

Cars without 3 sets of single or double-digit numbers will not be scored.

The winning team of a race is the first to have a car complete five (5) legal laps. The start/finish line is the center of the flag stand.

Any driver that leaves their car DURING a race is disqualified, except in the case of extreme danger, i.e. car engulfed in flames.

Any driver intentionally ignoring a red flag situation will be disqualified.

When the green flag drops, that race has been started and NO additional cars will be allowed on the track. In the event a car or driver does violate this rule, the violating team will be eliminated. Drivers are never allowed into the racing area without the approval of a TDA official. ( When the race is released from staging, that means the race has officially started and the lineup is complete. No additional cars will be added to that race. )

All competing vehicles must clear tech inspection. Tech inspection will be held from 2 -5pm ONLY. Team vehicles not inspected by 5pm, will result in a penalty.

All vehicles lined up for competition MUST have cleared the inspection process prior.

All vehicles will be subject to tech inspection, AFTER tech inspection. This may happen any time throughout the night.

TDA reserves the right at ANY TIME to inspect ANY vehicle that is registered for that night's competition.

Final Inspection/Tire Inspection will happen POST (after the event )

IF a team is illegal their earnings will be forfeited and distributed amongst the legal teams.

Anyone other than a TDA official, security, or medical team that goes over the retaining wall will be penalized and banned from the premises.

NO FIGHTING of ANY kind...period, end of discussion! Any violations will be persecuted to the extent of the law.

Abusive language will not be tolerated to ANY extent. This includes language toward or with a TDA official. Also includes abusive language used on social media sites.

Intolerable behavior will not be acceptable, if disciplinary action needs to be taken, it will include arrest.

VEHICLES THAT DO NOT PASS TECH INSPECTION FOR THAT NIGHT'S COMPETITION, WILL NOT BE ELIGIBLE TO RACE.

Tech inspection stickers/or paint must be visible at all times.

All vehicles must have hoods and trunks accessible for inspection.

TDA/ Dirt Oval 66 has the right to deny eligibility to any driver.

Any questions regarding registration or more information please contact the office @ 815-740-8000 or email: [info@dirtoval66.com](mailto:info@dirtoval66.com) or [sherri@dirtoval66.com](mailto:sherri@dirtoval66.com)