



DEMO DERBY RULES 2026

Herby Derby Rules Page 7. We're running 2 classes. Full size Derby cars and Herby Derby (4 or 6 cylinder, front or rear wheel drive.)

Derby Rules

Passenger cars only. NO Front Wheel drive or 4 wheel drives. No 1973 or older Imperials. NO 2003 or newer Ford motor company, NO pickups, vans, ambulances, etc.

1. ALL CARS MUST REMAIN STOCK UNLESS SPECIFIED BELOW! This means that if it didn't come from the factory assembly line with it, you're not allowed to do it.
2. ALL chrome, door handles, glass, body molding, etc. must be removed.

3. ALL interior must be removed. Removal of the driver's door panel is optional but highly recommended.
4. Original gas tank must be removed from the car. Fuel tanks must be mounted securely inside the car, 10 gal max capacity. Must be an approved fuel tank. (Boat tanks are OK.) Must be a METAL tank! NO PLASTIC FUEL TANKS UNLESS THEY ARE IN A METAL BOX. Electric fuel pumps may be used, but must be mounted securely inside the car and wired to a separate switch that is clearly marked.
5. A single brace MUST be mounted from the firewall to the roof in the windshield area. Brace may only have one point of attachment on the firewall and no more than 2 points of attachment on the roof.
6. NO WELDING!!!
7. Trimming corners of bumpers and fender well is OK. No fastening an inner panel or webbing to outer sheet metal unless specified in the rules. EX: You can't bolt the inner fender to the outer fender, etc.
8. Hoods must be chained or bolted shut, NOT WELDED. Maximum of 4 points. Single wrap chain only. Hinges DO NOT count as points. HOODS MUST OPEN! Can use 2 – 3/4 inch all thread at core support welded to side of frame up through hood with maximum 3" washers.
9. Trunks must be chained or wired shut. NOT WELDED OR BOLTED SHUT. Maximum of 4 points, single wrap

chain, or 3 loops of wire only. Hinges DO NOT count as points.

10. Doors must be chained or wired shut, maximum of 4 points, single wrap chain, or 3 loops of wire only. Driver's door only CAN BE WELDED SHUT. Nothing larger than 1" x 1/8" strap or 1/2" round stock. Do not overlap. 4" on and 4" off. 4 point cage mandatory, must consist of 2 door bars (inside or outside.) Dash bar, cross bar behind seat, and a tip over bar behind drivers seat from floor to roof bolted on each end. Inside 6" material max 6" away from firewall and floor sheet metal. Door bars not to exceed 60" long. Must be securely welded or bolted. This is for driver safety. Outside door bars must be no longer than 6" past front door seams, no wider than 8" or thicker than 3", Securely bolted to doors with a minimum of 4 and 3/4 " or larger bolts with 3 " washers.
11. No chains may go around the frame, sub frame, or K member. Body bolts and mounts must remain factory assembly line stock and in stock location. No adding extra body bolts. You may not chain rear end to humps or package tray.
12. No suspension modification allowed. Overload springs must be removed or cut. Aftermarket shackles must be removed or lowered to lowest point. Steering and shocks may not be modified. No aftermarket steering columns. No tying in coil springs

and no clamping leaf springs. Removable steering wheels are OK, replacing rage joint on end of column is OK with a single U Joint.

13. Motors and transmission must remain. FACTORY ASSEMBLY LINE COMPLETELY STOCK AND IN STOCK LOCATION. NO WELDING MOTOR MOUNTS. Motors and transmissions must be family lined to make of car. Motors and transmissions must be mounted with factory stock mounts and may be fastened securely with chain only. (1 per side) NO WELDING. NO engine cradles or carb swaps are allowed within reason. FACTORY STOCK MOTORS AND TRANSMISSIONS ONLY. NO AFTER MARKET OR HIGH PERFORMANCE MOTORS OR PARTS. THIS MEANS MOTORS MUST BE FACTORY ASSEMBLY LINE STOCK FROM CARB TO OIL PAN, THAT MEANS IF IT DID NOT COME OFF THE FACTORY ASSEMBLY LINE WITH IT, IT WILL NOT BE CONSIDERED STOCK AND YOU WILL NOT RUN. IF AT ANY TIME DURING A HEAT, THE JUDGES SUSPECT THAT YOUR ENGINE IS NOT STOCK INTERNALLY, THE HEAT WILL BE STOPPED, AND YOU WILL BE DISQUALIFIED. THIS IS A ZERO TOLERANCE RULE.

14. Radiators must remain in stock location. Fan may be removed or swapped. No wire mesh between

radiator and fan. NO OTHER COOLING IS ALLOWED. Expandable or spray foam may not be used to secure radiator. Aluminum radiators are OK. No coolant allowed. Water Only.

15. Transmission coolers may be used if they are mounted securely in the rear seat area. Cooler lines must be steel or hydraulic hose. No fuel line. Fans on transmission cooler are OK.
16. Carburetor linkage and transmission linkage may be modified. Carburetor may have a wire or cable running from the throttle on the carburetor to the inside of the car as a back up. After market throttle and pedal assemblies are not allowed.
17. Exhaust may be cut a minimum of 3 feet from the manifold. Headers through the hood are allowed.
18. Batteries must be moved inside the car to the front passenger floor area, mounted securely, and covered.
19. All cars must have factory stock working brakes. No pinion brakes.
20. No extra weight may be added to cars.
21. No frame modifications or reinforcement.
22. Prebending body tin quarters and frame notching or dimpling is OK. No rewelding notches in frame, no tilting, no bolting to fender well or inner skin.
23. DOT approved passenger and light truck tires only. Max of 16" wheel. No split rims. No AG, skidder, or studded tires. 7" wheel center allowed. No tire flaps or

tire inside tire. Air only in tires. Wheels must be factory assembly line stock.

24. 2-12" diameter holes must be cut in hood on each side of carburetor to aid in extinguishing fires. Drivers are encouraged to degrease engines to reduce risk of fire.
25. Steel bumpers only, no aluminum bumpers, or steel bumpers with aluminum inserts. Steel factory bumpers or 4 x 4" square open ended tubing ¼" thick is all that is allowed. If using bumper shocks, shock tubes may be collapsed and welded. Must be bolted to frame only. No welding of shock tubes to frame. Bumpers and square tube may be welded to end of frame, no added material. No seam welding on factory bumpers. Bumper height must not exceed 18" to bottom of bumper. Bumper swaps are allowed.
26. Rear ends must be of passenger car origin. No welding anywhere on exterior of rear end. Locked, posi, or spool, is OK. No truck rear ends. Must be of family line. Must have a factory style drive shaft. No after market sliders. **FACTORY STOCK AXELS ONLY. REAR ENDS MUST BE BOLTED IN USING STOCK FACTORY MOUNTS AND BOLTS. NO MODIFYING REAR ENDS OR MOUNTS TO FIT. NO BRACED HOUSINGS. NO TAPING DRIVE LINE UNTIL AFTER TECH.**

27. Numbers on cars should be painted large and bold to assist judges and the crowd in determining who you are.
28. All cars fresh or pre ran may use 2 4"x10" by 3/16" thick plates. Plates must not be cut and welded back together. Only one plate per frame rail.

If there are more than 20 cars entered there will be more than one heat. Come prepared. Promoters and judges have final say.

HERBY DERBY RULES

1. 4 OR 6 cylinder cars only.
2. 107" wheel base max. No shortening of cars, factory wheel base will be checked.
3. Front or rear wheel drive OK.
4. No AMC's allowed.

If you have questions, please contact us. If you're unsure, ASK! We are excited to be hosting our first Derby.

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