

# Northern Pullers General Safety

## Rules and Regulations

1. Tractors can be 1979 or older and the continuous production models 40 year rule is in effect.
2. The driver and tractor must be weighed together, the day of the pull on the same scale as their competitors.
3. If anything falls from the tractor while hooked to the skid, the tractor will be disqualified.
4. No entries will be accepted after the cut off time for weigh-in, unless preregistered.
5. Limit each tractor to a maximum of 2 weight classes. *(3 classes at Sponsors Request)*
6. No Alcohol consumption by participants is permitted until after the event is complete.
7. Tractor and skid must remain within the boundaries of the course during the pull, or distance will be marked at point of exit.
8. Tractors will be scored by distance pulled.
9. The hooking point of the drawbar must be no more than 20 inches from the ground and at least 18 inches from rear of draw pin hole to center of axle. All drawbars must be in a fixed position.
10. Each tractor is allowed only one pull per class. Pull is ended when tractor engine stalls or forward motion stops. No jerking or hole digging will be allowed. If a driver stops before the 50' mark, he may make adjustments and pull again immediately.
11. In speed limit classes, the horn will blow if the driver exceeds the class speed limit. The driver must slow the tractor to less than the class speed limit within 5 seconds. If the horn sounds a second time the contestant's distance will be marked at that point.
12. The contest is governed by the judges with judges' decisions final. If the judges believe any driver to be a potential safety hazard such driver may be barred from the contest. Judges have the right to stop and or disqualify a contestant's tractor if it is being operated in an unsafe manner. *(No popping clutch)* The front wheels of the tractor must be no higher than 18 inches off the ground from beginning to end of pull. (May have a ball and cable attachment to display height. If the ball leaves the ground the forward progress will be marked at that point.
13. No driver under 18 years of age will be permitted to participate without the parents written consent and must be accustomed and proficient in the operation of that particular tractor to be allowed to pull. No supervision allowed on the track.
14. All contestants enter at their own risk.
15. Operator must remain seated during his or her pull, and have one hand on the steering wheel, clutch, or brake at all times during the pull.
16. The governor must be intact and in operative order, no by passed governors.
17. All tractors must have all wheels and working brakes.

18. If two or more tractors in a class pull all the way out the end of the track or have the exact same pulling distance, those tractors will re-pull for placing.
19. Protests can be lodged only by a puller in the contested class or the track judge.
20. Tire size limited to two face sizes over factory option specifications, or as tested at Nebraska Test. 12 X?, 13.6 X ?, and 15.5 X? will be considered the same tire size. Radial tires are allowed in all classes. Any width rim is acceptable. No steel wheels. Tractor classes; two wheel drive only, no duals.
21. Tractors must have stock appearing frames, transmissions, rear end and axle housing or manufacturer's replacement for that family of tractor.
22. Weights: Furthest most point cannot be more than 11 feet forward from center of rear axle.
23. Wheelie bars are encouraged on all tractors.
24. Enhanced electrical systems are permitted in all classes, (ie pointless ignition, alternator).
25. All the rules will be in effect for 5 years (*until 2023*) *except for safety concerns; Except the Turbo class.*