

NEW ENGLAND GARDEN TRACTOR PULLERS, INC.

2011 – 2013 Rules

(please note recommended changes approved by members present 11/06/2011)

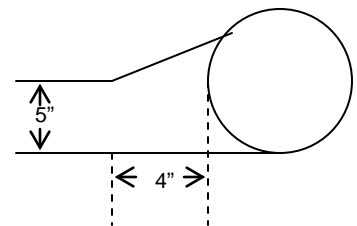
CLASSES

1000 lb BONE STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS
1050 lb A STOCK JR GARDEN TRACTORS (13 & YOUNGER)
1150 lb A STOCK SR GARDEN TRACTORS
1150 lb B STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS
1500 lb HOT STOCK CLASS (Single & Twin cylinder)
NQS OUTLAW
1100 lb OPEN SUPER STOCK (previously Pro-altered)
1050 lb SUPER STOCK TRACTORS
1300 lb OUTLAW MODIFIED TRACTORS
1300 lb RV OPEN MODIFIED TRACTORS
1400 lb SUPER MODIFIED TRACTORS

ALL CLASSES WILL RUN TWO HEATS AT THE SAME WEIGHT

GENERAL RULES

1. All tractors must be safe.
2. In all classes the driver is responsible for safe operation of his/her tractor. A driving test and/or verbal test is required for all new pullers and a one time drivers license issued to Jr. drivers under 13 years of age.
3. Drivers must be able to properly operate controls while seated.
4. All tractors with drivers will be weighed in and have hitch height checked before pulling in each class and remain in designed area. All new tractors must be inspected prior to first hook. All tractors may be inspected at any time for safety and to ensure they meet class rules.
5. A & B Stock tractors must have **head restraints** and sufficient shielding of all moving parts. Fenders, floorboard, **hood and grill** are required in all classes. All tractors with custom or modified exhaust must be vertical +/- 10°.
6. A properly fitted DOT approved helmet is required for all drivers and must be strapped before entering the track. In all classes, drivers must wear closed toed footwear. All classes over 10hp must have SFI approved jacket, pants and protective footwear.
7. No one is allowed on the track except for track officials and contestants when the vehicle is under the green.
8. Tractors must be running when they enter the track and must be disengaged from the power unit when being hitched to the sled.
9. A & B Stock: Overall length, including furthestmost point forward (weights & bracket), must not exceed 72" from center of rear axle.
10. Wheelie bars are required. The bars must support the weight of the tractor and be no more than 5" off the ground and must extend at least 4" beyond the exterior of the tire and be separate from the hitch as per sketch.



11. All pulls start with a tight hitch; no jerking permitted. **All contestants will be allowed a second attempt if shut down before 25 feet to start the sled**, this also includes if you go out of bounds before 25 ft., if time allows. In the event of a pull-off, only one attempt will be allowed. In pull-off order of pull must be followed.
12. An attempt is defined as moving the sled a measurable distance (1" or greater).
13. All drivers and tractors may be weighed after pull.
14. 4-wheel drive tractors are allowed if the front axle is disengaged.
15. NO DUAL WHEELS, TIRE CHAINS, STUDS or ATV tires are allowed in any class.
16. Decision of the track officials, flagman and sled operator will be final. The three minute rule will only apply to the last tractor in the class. The ability to drop back to last does not apply in a pull-off.
17. Test puller will be the person who draws the lowest number. Pull must notify track official if he/she wants to take the first distance pulled, go again right away or go third (third position is defined as the position immediately following the next 2 competitors and their attempts) or go last before leaving the track. **If track official is not notified, puller must take that pull.**
18. A tractor may be entered in only one division.
19. Dead man throttle required for all classes, except Bone Stock, A and B Stock tractors.
20. No consumption of alcoholic beverages prior to or during an event.
21. Any non member pulling for the day must sign a club waiver.
22. Track length to be determined by tire size (if track allows): $23 \times 10.5 \times 12 = 100'$, $26 \times 12 \times 12 = 125'$, $31 \times 15.5 \times 15 = 150'$.
23. No rescheduling of pulls or classes unless rescheduled by the fair.
24. **Registration of tractors will close at the beginning of drivers meeting. All drivers must attend drivers meeting in order to pull at the event. Drivers meeting to be held 15 minutes before starting time of the event. Be there 1 hour prior to scheduled start time.**
25. All RPM restricted classes must have a club issued sticker visibility attached to a crank-related part (for tachometer reading).
26. You must have at least 5 years experience or be 16 years old to compete in the 25 hp class and up. No nitrous oxide or Nitro or any pressurized fuel tanks permitted.
27. **ALL TRACTORS** must have a kill switch with 1" ring centrally located at the rear of the tractor.
28. Fuel applicable to class. No nitrous oxide or Nitro or any pressurized fuel tanks permitted.
29. **Tractor must have 2" tractor numbers displayed on both sides of tractor.**
30. Must attend 50% of scheduled pulls to receive year end award. If tractor breaks down in the first run and cannot pull second run, that tractor will get last place point in that class. If puller dq's, they will get first last, broken tractor gets 2nd last.
31. All hitches will be measured to the highest most point. Meaning, if that your hitch is vertical, it will be measured to the highest most point where the chain hooks.
32. All tractors must have at least a 2" seat back.
33. The club officials will have the right to have a floating finish line at any time they choose. All night pulls will be floating finish and only one round. All pull off's will be floating finish.
34. All work to be done on the tractors must be done off the track. (If you have to work on your tractor, move it off the track to let the next person pull. Then you can come back last.)
35. At the discretion of the Safety/Tech Committee, a tear down or other testing to verify the tractor is registered in the proper class may be performed with the driver and two (2) or more committee members only.

RULES FOR CLASSES

1000 lb. BONE STOCK TRACTORS

1. ***This class will be for beginners only and there is no age limit for this class.***
2. All tractors must have stock sheet metal, rear end, grill, engine or OEM replacement.
3. No cutting of sheet metal, frame or any other parts on the tractor.
4. Must have stock front end in stock location and pivot. Stock height tires (no small tires on front) and must have steel wheels. (No aluminum wheels.)
5. Rear tires must be no larger than 23 x 10.5 x 12.
6. The RPM limit will be 3600.
7. This class will run a 75' track and be limited to 2.5 MPH. (If you exceed this limit, you will be disqualified.)
CLARIFICATION: If you speed or go out of bounds within the 25 ft. shutdown, you will be allowed a second attempt. EXCEPTION: There will be no second attempt in a pull-off. Attempt to shutdown will be letting off the gas, pushing in the clutch or raising one hand before 25 ft. Test puller also gets to rehook if they are speeding at any point of the track.
8. The hitch will be a maximum of 13" high and rigid in all directions.
9. No lock rear ends, electric fuel pump, or cut tires allowed.
10. All safety rules will apply.
11. The contestant cannot win points championship more than 21 consecutive years.
12. can run a dead man throttle.

1050 lb. A STOCK JR & 1150 LB. A STOCK SR GARDEN TRACTORS

1. Factory appearing tin work, frame and engine with no visible performance alterations.
2. Hitch must be no higher than 13" off the ground and rigid in all directions.
3. Gasoline or diesel 0 – 14 hp flat head single cylinder engines.
4. Tires must be turf or agricultural. No cut tires or professional pulling tires. Tire size must be no larger than 23 x 10.5 x 12.
5. Jr. Division drivers must be 13 years old or younger as of the date of the first pull of the year. Drivers must register as a Jr. or Sr. for the year.
6. Tractors may not override the governor, 4000 RPM maximum.
7. Tractors may not have the following: electric fuel pumps, overhead valves.
8. Stock appearing: Meaning you must have stock appearing sheet metal, chassis and engine.
9. Can run possi or locked rear end.
10. 52" wheelbase and can run non pivoting front end.

1150 lb. B STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS

1. Factory appearing tin work, frame and engine with no visible performance alterations.
2. Hitch must be no higher than 13" off the ground and rigid in all directions.
3. Gasoline or diesel engines only 16 – 20 hp. Tires must be turf or agricultural. No cut tires or professional pulling tires. Tire size must be no larger than 23 x 10.5 x 12.
4. Tractors may not override the governor, 4000 RPM maximum.
5. Stock appearing: Meaning you must have stock appearing sheet metal, chassis and engine.
6. Can run possi or locked rear end.

7. 52" wheelbase and can run non pivoting front end.

1150 lb. HOT STOCK

Single Cylinder Flathead

1. Single cylinder flathead engines only.
2. Stock or recast heads, or billet heads.
3. Head straps mandatory.
4. All-thread through fins allowed.
5. Crankshaft must be stock stroke.
6. Carburetor must be Kohler type with maximum venturi of 1.20".
7. Maximum carb spacer of 1" allowed.
8. Maximum RPM of 5000 for 14 hp & less, 4500 for 16 hp.

Twin Cylinder

1. Twin cylinder only, V-twin or Opposed, 30 hp or less (no big blocks).
2. OHV engines must run OEM heads.
3. Flathead engines may run billet heads.
4. Flathead engines must have head straps.
5. No home made or after market intake manifolds.
6. Crankshaft must be stock stroke.
7. Carburetor with maximum venturi of 1.20". Two barrel Kohler carb allowed.
8. Maximum carb spacer of 2" allowed.
9. Maximum RPM of 5000.

General Rules for Hot Stock

1. Tractors must have factory appearing hood and grill.
2. Rear fenders required. Fabricated fenders must be able to hold the weight of the driver.
3. Must have stock style frame.
4. Maximum wheelbase of 52".
5. Maximum overall length from center of rear axle to forward most point not to exceed 84".
6. Tractors must have garden tractor rear end.
7. Maximum tire size 26x12x12, cutting allowed, Vogel TT 26x12x12 pulling tires will be allowed (they are the GoodYear tire mold), no Pro-Puller or ATV tires allowed, including, but not limited to Pit Bull, Lawn Tec, Dick Cepek and VM series.
8. Hitch height 13".
9. Weight class is 1150 lbs.
10. Engine blocks must be stock OEM (no after market blocks).
11. No internal engine restrictions, except must maintain stock stroke and be stock appearing.
Factory shrouding optional.
12. Steel flywheel mandatory.
13. Pulleys must be billet steel or aluminum.
14. Must have shielding to NQS standards.
15. Velocity stacks allowed.
16. Fuel is to be VP-C12 (green in color) with no additives.
17. Dead man throttle spring mandatory.

NQS OUTLAW (30 cube, stock altered & 16 hp 60 overbore)

1. ***These classes will be run following NQS Rules.***

Note: All tractors that are not 30 cubic inch or stock altered will run 900 lbs. and 12 inch hitch height.

1100 lb. OPEN SUPER STOCK (previously Pro-Altered)

1. ***This class will be run following NQS Pro-Altered Rules.***

1050 lb. SUPER STOCK GARDEN TRACTORS

1. ***This class will be run following NQS Super Stock Rules.***

1300 lb. OUTLAW MODIFIED TRACTORS

1. No more than 72" long from center of the rear axle to the furthest part forward including weights.
2. No more than 54" in width to outside of tires.
3. Hitch must be no higher than 13" off the ground and rigid in all directions.
4. Maximum tire size is 26 x 12 x 12, may be cut.
5. No automotive engines.
6. 4 cylinder maximum.
7. Must have rear fenders, full hood and grill (from the steering column to the grill).
8. Must be naturally aspirated and run on gasoline type fuels (no alcohol).
9. Maximum engine limit will be 1500 cc after modifications.

1300 lb. RV OPEN MODIFIED TRACTORS

This class will run for exhibition at events, but will have points championship.

1. Tractors will be no more than 116" long from rear axle center to front most part of weights or bracket and no more than 71" wide outside of tires.
2. All turbos will have a .060" thick steel shield around them and their exhaust pipe will discharge vertically with cross bolts in end.
3. Maximum rear tire size 31x15.50x15.
4. Mufflers are required on 2 cycle tractors.
5. No alcohol.
6. Hitch must be no higher than 13" off the ground and rigid in all directions.
7. Open to any 4 cylinder engine.
8. Can run fuel injection.

1400 lb. SUPER MODIFIED TRACTORS

1. Maximum number of four cylinders, any combination reciprocating engines.
2. Maximum rear tire 31 x 15.5 x 15.
3. Maximum of 2337 cc.
4. Hitch must be maximum of 13" high, rigid in all directions.
5. Maximum tractor length of 8 feet from center of rear axle to the furthest point forward of tractor.
6. Automotive in line engines must have national specification side shield and drive line shields.
7. Rear bumper pads 8" – 14" thick, 3" behind rear tires minimum.
8. All turbos will have a .060" thick steel shield around them and their exhaust pipe will discharge vertically with cross bolts in end.
9. All Super Modified drivers will wear a SFI approved single layer fire suit, full face helmet and protective footwear.
10. May run with alcohol containing no additives.
11. Must be automotive or industrial engines only.

CAUSES FOR DISQUALIFICATION AND POSSIBLE LOSS OF POINTS FOR YEAR

1. Driver must remain seated when tractor is in motion with one hand on the steering mechanism.
2. If tractor tire touches the boundary line while hooked to the sled, the driver will be disqualified for that hitch.
3. Any loss of weight or tractor parts while the sled is in motion, will be a disqualification for that hitch.
4. Leaving the starting line under the red.
5. **Unsafe operation of competition vehicles at any time.**
6. Un-sportsmanlike conduct.
7. **If a disagreement cannot be handled in a professional manner, the club reserves the right to terminate their membership immediately.**
8. **All tractors must remain in the ring until their class has ended.**

**DEFINITION OF NATURALLY ASPIRATED –
NO BLOWERS, TURBO CHARGERS OR NITROUS OXIDE.**

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**RECOMMENDATIONS MADE AND ACCEPTED AT THE ANNUAL MEETING
NOVEMBER 6, 2011 BY MEMBERS PRESENT**

Clarification of rule #11 under General Rules

Clarification of rule #24 under General Rules

Bone Stock

1. Clarification on Rule #7

Hot Stock Single

1. Can run billet head

Added in Rule #7 under Causes for Disqualification

The above recommendations have been included in published rules.

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PLEASE READ MEMBERSHIP FORM CAREFULLY.

ALL MEMBERS MUST SIGN UP TO BE ELIGIBLE

FOR POINTS OR NO POINTS FOR THE YEAR.