

# Huron Pioneer Thresher & Hobby Association, Inc.

# **Antique & Classic Tractor Pull General Rules and Information**

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**Prizes:** 1st. Trophy

2<sub>nd</sub>. Trophy

3rd. HPTHA T-Shirt 4th. HPTHA Hat

## **Pulling Schedule:**

Friday: 10 am; Fun pull - All classes.

**Saturday:** 10 am; Competition Pull - Antique - 2750, 4500, 6500, 10,000 lbs.

- Classic - 10,000 lbs.

**Sunday:** 11 am; Competition Pull - Antique - 3500, 5500, 8000, 12,000 lbs.

- Classic - 8000, 12,000 lbs.

## Tractor weigh in:

**Saturday:** - 9 am to 11 am. **Sunday:** - 10 am to 12 pm.

## **Antique Tractor Qualifications:**

- 1. Tractors must be 1958 or older by production series, no tractors newer than 1960.
- 2. Tractors must be stock.
- 3. Stock style weights, applied in factory intended mounting positions only.
- 4. No suitcase style weights permitted on antique class tractors.

#### **Classic Tractor Qualifications:**

- 1. Tractors must be 1958 to 1978 by production series, no tractors newer than 1980.
- 2. Tractors must be stock.
- 3. Stock style weights, applied in factory intended mounting positions only.
- 4. Suitcase style weights are permitted in classic classes.

  However, weights will only be permitted on factory mounting locations and brackets.

  No mid or rear mount weight brackets for suitcase weights will be permitted to be weighted.

#### **Tractor Regulations:**

- 1. Tractor must have no engine modifications, no turbo charges unless manufacturers option. Pumps must be original.
- 2. All Tractors must be on rubber wheels, and must have fenders for safety reasons.
- 3. Original drawbar must be attached to original rails, drawbar height may be raised to 18" using hammer strap. Minimum drawbar length is 18" from center of rear axle to point of hook to ground.
- 4. Only clevis supplied by pull sled crew can be used.
- 5. Draw bar must be stationary in all directions. 3500 lb class may pull on 3 point hitch if no draw bar.
- 6. No shift on the go.
- 7. Any tractor dropping parts on the track shall be disqualified.

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<sup>\*</sup>Note: All pulls are dependent on weather. Class order may be changed based on track conditions

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#### **Pull Rules:**

- 1. All Exhibitors are required to carry, and have proof of public liability insurance on their exhibits.
- 2. All pullers must be a member of the Huron Pioneer Thresher and Hobby Association, Inc. Member ribbon must be worn by puller.
- 3. All tractors must have registration band displayed on the rear of the tractor.
- 4. Weight of tractor includes driver who must be at least 16 years of age
- 5. Each tractor may only pull once, in one weight class during the duration of the show, regardless of driver.
- 6. Tractors must return directly to tractor parking area.
- 7. Tractors pull, in order of weigh in, and registration.
- 8. Officials may check fuel and model numbers, which must be legible. Violators shall be disqualified; winning tractors may be re-weighed at official's discretion.
- 9. No helpers allowed on track or tractors during a pull.
- 10. Drivers must be seated during the pull and in complete control of the tractor at all times.
- 11. Officials reserve the right to stop any contestant considered to be operating in an unsafe manner.
- 12. Tractors must be in neutral while being hooked and unhooked.
- 13. Pullers must obey officials. Their decision is final; violation of rules or arguing with official will constitute a disqualification.
- 14. All tractors must be original or stock, weights must be field applied. No loose weights. No changing weights or fluid on the grounds.
- 15. All tractors must have registration band displayed on the rear of the tractor.

## **Operation of Contest:**

- 1. Number one puller will be test puller and may accept the first pull if weight sled is okay; or may pull again in 3rd position.
  - All decisions on re-pulls must be made before unhooking from sled.
- 2. If sled requires adjustment; the first puller after any adjustment is made will then become #1 puller.
- 3. All pulls must start with a tight hitch.
- 4. Puller will be allowed 2 consecutive attempts and 50 feet to start the sled. Any disqualification on 1st attempt bars a 2nd attempt on re-pull.
- 5. Pull is over when forward motion has ended. All tractors must stop immediately upon signal from officials.
- 6. Pullers must be in pull position within three minutes of sled readiness; any delays are cause for disqualification.
- 7. If presiding official is notified of a tractor with mechanical problems, Puller may drop three positions or to end of class Puller's discretion. This may only be done once per class.
- 8. Pullers may not operate two tractors in a row in a single class. Puller may drop back 6 places or to last of class. Official's discretion.
- 9. All contestants pull at their own risk.
- 10. No mechanical adjustments of any kind may be made to tractor after beginning of pull or during Pull off.

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