

Northern Maine Agricultural Fair – Car Demolition Derby

Sponsored by Katahdin Trust Company & Katahdin Financial Services

IN FRONT OF THE GRANDSTAND

Sunday, August 9th, 2026 — 4:00PM

1st Prize - \$1,000 2nd Prize - \$700 3rd Prize - \$500
Every contestant that makes the grand finale receives a \$50.00 award.

There will be a "Prettiest Car" contest. The track officials will pick the vehicles, the crowd will vote, the Northern Maine Agricultural Fair will present \$100.00 for 1st place, and \$50.00 for 2nd place, \$40.00 for 3rd place and \$30.00 for 4th place.

Rules and Regulations:

- Only Owners, drivers, and mechanics will be permitted in the pit crew area. NO EXCEPTIONS! No one under 13 years of age will be allowed in the Pit Area.
- There will be no gate charge for drivers. There will be a \$25.00 registration fee for each car entered in the derby.
- The derby will comprise of 5 individual heats and a "Free For All" for the first 10 cars repaired and back in line within 15 minutes set by the judges. Then a "Grande Finale" with cash prizes. The Finale will comprised the winners of each heat. RULES ARE SUBJECT TO CHANGE TO FIT.
- THE NORTHERN MAINE FAIR ASSOCIATION ASSUMES NO PERSONAL LIABILITY.

Preparation of Car:

NO Chrysler Imperials, hearses, ambulances, or checker cabs allowed!

Preparation of car: remove or convert before arriving. DO NOT DO ANYTHING THAT IS NOT STATED IN THESE RULES. No pit persons allowed in the arena. NO alcoholic beverages or drugs allowed. If any changes are made after inspection to make your vehicle illegal you will be disqualified, and there will be no refund of entry fee. JUDGES DECISIONS ARE FINAL. All vehicles can be re-inspected at anytime. Any questions call Steve Smith 207-227-0727

Safety Belt and DOT approved helmet required, long pants, shirts and gloves are mandatory!

RIDING ON CAR

- Insurance regulations: No person riding on outside of cars AT ANY TIME, Driver must be 18 years of age.

FLAMMABLE MATERIAL AND INTERIOR

- Chrome molding strips and the bottom portion of rear seats must be removed.
- On station wagons, all rear seats and deck lids must be removed.
- No loose items are allowed inside of the car.

GLASS AND AIRBAGS

- All glass, windshield optional, side windows, rear windows, headlights and taillights must be removed before arriving.
- Autos must be swept/vacuumed clean, no junk tires, wheels, metal parts, broken glass, etc., allowed in car.
- Airbags must be removed.

DOOR AND NUMBERS

- Vehicle numbers will be provided during registration and must be fastened to the roof of the car.

TIRES/ WHEELS

- Any tire permitted. If running implement or tractor style tire you must have a mudflap behind tires on rear wheel drive cars. MUDFLAP MUST COVER REAR OF TIRE TO GROUND. In the event the mudflap is compromised and you propel dirt and stones in spectator area you will be shut down.
- Solid forklift style tires are permitted.
- Double tires permitted. No split rims or studded tires. Bottom of bumpers must be no more than 21 inches from the ground on level pavement.
- Remove wheel weights, valve stem guards allowed.
- No wire spokes.
- No water in tires.
- No tires screwed to rims.
- No two-way radios or steering knobs permitted in car.

BUMPERS

- Bumpers may be any automobile production bumper, or you fabricate a bumper on unibody compact and midsize using no larger than 4X4 inch 1/4 inch wall square or round stock. Ends must be capped with no sharp edges and be no wider than car. A 3/8 inch hole must be drilled in center of bumper for inspection.
- No welding of the bumper, front or back to any part of the body. Bumpers may be welded too frame. On unibody cars with plastic facias you may weld a 1/4 inch 3X3 plate top and bottom to help hold bumper. No Excessive welding on frame. Excessive welding will be determined by officials. Any year or make of a factory production passenger car or homemade bumper will be allowed front or rear. No loaded bumpers! NO TRUCK BUMPERS. Bumper shocks must remain factory to make of vehicle. You may collapse and pin/weld shocks or just remove them. Bumpers may not protrude beyond sides of car. Bumpers may not extend beyond stock position front or rear. Bumper ends must not be cut, if you cut it down, it must be folded over. NO SHARP EDGES.
- Bumper shocks may be collapsed and welded or pinned.
- Bumper brackets may be welded to bumper and frame but no additional metal may be added except unibody cars with plastic facias. (See above)
- The bottom of bumpers must be no higher than 21 inches from level ground.

FIREWALLS

- All excessive holes in firewall and front floor pan must be covered.

FIRE EXTINGUISHER (Recommended, not required)

- Must be within reach of the drive, must work and have working gauges.

BODY EXTERIOR

- Any sharp protruding fins, or dangerous objects must be mashed down or cut off.
- Cutting out around metal fenders and wheels allowed, welding metals together after cutting out wheel well is allowed.
- Remove all chrome, trim, emblems, fiberglass, and hard plastic.
- Creasing of body permitted, must be behind rear axle to allow body to bend upward. Bumper height rule applies.

SUSPENSION

- Must remain strictly stock.
- Do not invert spring shackles on Fords.
- Do not crank up torsion bar suspension on Chrysler corp. cars. All cars MUST have some give or bounce.

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- No still suspension, screw in spring risers or blocks may be allowed at the discretion of the track officials to bring weak or sagging suspensions to level position.
- Bring such items to the track and obtain permission before installation.
- No special lifts, blocks or shackles. Airlifts and air shocks must be deflated.
- No pre-bending/ pinching allowed.

RADIATORS

- We recommend no radiators mounted on roofs. Comparable replacement radiators are permitted.
- Radiators and cooling systems should be flushed of anti-freeze and only water added.
- CORE SUPPORT MAY BE WELDED TO FRAME.

ENGINE

- Welded solid or chained down engine mounts are recommended.
- Body mount bolts may be replaced, but only with stock size bolts no larger than 5/8 inch and only one (1) round washer.
- Distributor protectors are permitted. Distributor protectors may only extend 1 inch around distributor and may only be attached to engine and top of bell housing. No part of the distributor protector may contact any part of the firewall or body. Firewall may be cut out behind distributor but will need to be capped from inside.

BODY

- T-tops and sunroofs must be metal covered.
- The doors, trunk lids and hood must be secured with chain 3/8 inch link max or wire no larger than #9 wire. #9 wire may be wrapped up to 5 wraps smaller wire may be wrapped more. If hood is welded it must have a 24X36 inch hole in the center. They may be chained or wired only. Maximum 6 locations. You may wire from bumper to hood in 3 locations. These will count as 3 of the 6 locations. Hoods may be attached with hood pins. If hood pins used may not be wired to bumper. The doors and trunks may be welded shut both seams but nothing across bottom, for total of 8 inches on both sides. EXCEPTION to driver's door may be welded all the way around.
- Drivers door may be reinforced on outside, not to exceed 8 inch on front or behind door breaks. Must use flat metal up to 1/4 inch thick. 1 to 3 high must be secured with 5 3/8 grade 8 bolts on each side of door break and remaining 3 in door, plat may also be welded but must have the 5 bolts. Plates 3 to 6 inch high must have ten 3/8 grade 8 bolts, two on each side of door brake and the rest in door. Plates may be no more than 6 inches high. No pipes, angle iron, or square stock unless mounted on inside of door.
- All other doors can be welded or secured with a maximum of 2 four-inch long strip not to exceed 1/8 inch thick covering door breaks vertically from window openings down. Doors may be welded using 2-4 inch welds per seam per door. Trunk lid may be welded using same formula.
- NO welding caps over window openings or welding door headers to roof or center post.
- No welding bottom of doors to rocker panel.
- Do not reinforce frame.
- Cars with damaged frames or rusted frames you may patch. Repair can not exceed 1 inch past rust or damage, frame repair metal can not be more than 1/4 inch thick. Repairs can only be made on two of the four sides of the frame. Paint all repairs bright color for identification. Bolting or pinning of frame is not allowed. Frames will be scoped. The center C Channel from can not be boxed in. Do not undercoat, paint, or put any substance around the frame. Unibody vehicles may be repaired with OEM thickness metal.
- Tilting allowed on full frame cars. Any modifications to body or frame not mentioned in the rules will NOT be allowed at all.

DRIVER COMPARTMENT

- A horizontal brace behind seat, between doorposts on any car to support seat back is acceptable. Brace must be collapsible (IE: Pipe in pipe). It's okay to run pipe from drivers door post to right side rocker panel or floor. If running solid bar from post of drivers seat.
- Drivers door must be padded.
- Driver's door may be reinforced with pipe or plate but may not extend beyond 4 inches of door breaks. If using pipe or square stock it must be inside of door or door skin.
- Roll bars, dash bars, and side bars permitted but they may not be attached to frames. No full cages are allowed.
- Mandatory chain cable or bar must be installed vertically between roof and cowl (middle) of windshield, to prevent hood from entering drivers compartment.
- Doorpost bracing and drivers door reinforcement recommended.
- No added weight or ballast or reinforcement is allowed to bumpers or frame or fenders or body or floor or any other spot on car.

EXHAUST

- All exhaust pipes must point downward or straight through hood.

ENGINES

- May be replaced but must remain in stock location. No setbacks.

BATTERY

- Should be relocated to passenger area, secured and covered with fireproof material.

TRANS COOLER

- May be relocated to anywhere in engine compartment or rear seat. Must be secured and must drain to outside.

FUEL TANKS

- Stock gas tanks MUST be removed from original position and placed inside car in front of rear axle and no farther forward than the rest of the front seat. All tanks must be securely fastened to floor and covered. A portable tank is recommended in place of original.
- Gas lines and fittings to fuel tanks must be secured and leak proof. Only metal or rubber gas lines permitted. NO PLASTIC LINES.
- Maximum of five (5) gallons allowed. Electric fuel pumps are permitted, but MUST have a shut-off switch within driver's reach. Gas tanks located in front of rear axle may be left in stock location.

OFFICIAL DEMOLITION DERBY ENTRY BLANK

Mail to: Northern Maine Agricultural Fair • c/o Steven Smith • 1293 Mapleton Road • Mapleton, ME 04757

Name _____ Age _____ Phone: _____ Social Sec.# _____
 Address _____ City _____ State _____ Zip _____
 Email: _____

Date: _____ Signed: _____
 CAR# _____

Any questions? Call Steve at 227-0727, or email: smith.st.1061@gmail.com or write us at Northern Maine Agricultural Fair Association at the address above.