

## **2023 WGD PRODUCTIONS REGULAR LAWNMOWER RULES**

**General setup and safety rules apply for this class**

**\*\*This class is designed for (but not limited to) the beginner driver and new enthusiast to join the sport, so there will be no strengthening of tractors unless noted for safety purposes.**

**\*\*Just because it is not stated in the rules, does not mean you can do it. Officials have final call on any discussed topic of issues not meeting to the rules**

**\*May run tractors from last year but they have to abide by CURRENT rules- SO THEY MUST BE CHANGED- NO EXCEPTIONS!!!**

**\*\* MUST HAVE RACE # DISPLAYED ON HOOD OR SOMEWHERE ON THE TRACTOR- BIG ENOUGH TO READ FROM A DISTANCE\*\***

### **GENERAL RULES:**

1. Long pants, long sleeve shirt, work boots, gloves, eye protection and DOT helmet **MANDATORY**.
2. The garden lawnmower must have a factory frame. Homemade frames, adding metal to frame, is **NOT PERMITTED**.
3. Mowers must be factory available mowers or garden tractors.
4. Must be front engine mower. Rear engine mowers **NOT PERMITTED**.
5. **All mowers must be belt driven someplace.**
6. No after-market engines. Must be an engine that would have come from factory on either a lawn or garden tractor. 2-cylinder max. Gas or diesel **ONLY**. No alcohol.
7. Transaxle must be factory. Reinforcing or spider gears are allowed.
8. May use 1/8" plate frame rail to frame rail to mount the engine. May not exceed more than 2" past bolt holes. May also use four- 2" x 1/8" max, tube or angle uprights around engine with two bars running from top of grill to top of dash- 2" x 1/8" max, tube or angle to protect engine. May use 1 bar across the top to connect the sides. **All work must be done under the hood.**
9. **MUST HAVE HOOD.** Hood must be in factory location. Top of engine must be covered. Sides of stock hood may be cut off. If stock hood is plastic or fiberglass, may use 1/8" max plate to make one. Hood must be secure, welded, bolted, or screwed on.
10. Brakes must work when pulling in for heat race. You must also have forward and reverse.
11. Gas tank must be fastened with cap on. If it comes loose or gas leaks you will be disqualified. Must be located in a safe place and protected- **No gas tanks under seat. Mandatory- must have a gas shut off switch.**
12. **LEG GUARDS ARE MANDATORY, MUST BE SOLID AND SECURED OR YOU WILL NOT RUN.** They must go from rear fender to front foot rest or frame. It may go to front of hood; it must

not touch hood. **NO EXCEPTIONS.** You must have ankle protection. It is to be maximum 1/8" plate from outside of leg guard to foot rest. Must be no higher than 20" from ground and no lower than axle to spindle from ground to side bars and bumpers cannot connect. Guard/cage frame must be made from 2" x 1/8" minimum material.

13. **Must** run a back bar from top of fenders, up behind the seat. **For safety purposes only. No hitting in rear. 1 warning will be given before a disqualification.**

14. May run 2 kickers down to cage/side bars. Kickers cannot come past **original dash area. Cannot touch bumper.**

15. Front and rear bumpers are to be max 3" pipe, square tube, angle, or C channel. If using angle or C channel, flat side must be facing out. Bumpers cannot extend past the inside of the tires- front and back. Bumpers cannot extend out more than 12 inches from frame (to the face of the bumper). Bumper arms may be welded or bolted to the side of the frame; however, they may not come past the center line of the axle. Bumper arms or bumper- must not touch protection cage or fasten to anything else. Back bumper can not be pointed or have any sharp edges.

16. You may change pulleys to increase speed.

17. No mower decks!! You must remove all plastic items and headlights except hood.

18. Front plate of frame, grill area, may be strengthened using 2" x 1/8" max material **framed in only, NOT SOLID- for hitting purposes only.** Frames may also be seam welded. **(Craftsman tractors- the exhaust hole- may be welded shut)**

19. Exhaust stacks must be straight, no angle cuts allowed. Exhaust must be a minimum of 10" from top of hood and can not be more than 15" high.

20. If driver rolls over or any part of their body touches the track, they are disqualified. **If anyone touches another tractor or driver with anything but their tractor- they will be disqualified!**

21. In the event of a rollover, the heat will be stopped until officials get the mower back upright.

22. Put your number on hood sign, no sharp edges! **Must have a hood sign.**

23. **Minimum 6 inch,** maximum 12-inch **rear wheel** and minimum 6 inch and maximum 10-inch front wheels to be used. Stock wheels only. **Tractor/Ag tires only- NO ATV, AUTO, OR SOLID TIRES ARE PERMITTED!** No wheel weights permitted. Tire chains and **beadlocks** may be used on rear tires **ONLY.** If using tire chains, they must be wired or bolted together so they cannot come off for safety purposes. **AIR ONLY IN TIRES! No dual tire setups!**

24. Fender shifters must have a protective guard/cage around them. May be plated solid but the rest of the back and side cage cannot be plated.

25. No teaming or hold and hit. **ALL INVOLVED WILL BE DISQUALIFIED.**

26. Tie rods may be changed/strengthened. Stock spindles maximum 1". Spindles may be gusseted.

27. Do not go past officials on track. Stay in your allowed arena space. **YOU WILL GET DISQUALIFIED.**

28. **May use 2 fix plates max per tractor all season-** 3" x (height of frame)" x 1/4" plate max. Must prove damaged area. **Take a picture before fixing.**

29. Exhaust cover plate and engine plate can all be one plate.
30. Back/Front bumper cannot be pointed or have any sharp edges. Be sure to check surfaces for anything sharp in general. Because of close contact when in the arena, others safety will be taken into consideration.

\*\*\* No exceptions! If your tractor does not comply, you will not run. **NO REFUNDS.**

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