

# Section 33 – Demolition Derby

Saturday 8<sup>th</sup> March 2025 – Main Ring

## Demolition Derby

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### General

1. The demarcation (fencing) between the demolition derby ring and the showground boundary (spectators) must be a minimum distance of 20 metres.

### Participant Information

2. Entry to the event is **\$50** and must be paid with the nomination form to the Show Secretary.
3. There will be no refunds once the nomination is accepted unless the event is cancelled.
4. The event is limited to the first 25 vehicles.
5. All vehicles must be parked by 5:00 PM on the Saturday in the designated area, where they will be inspected.
6. All drivers must be 17 years or older and hold a current driver's licence – P-Plate minimum.
7. No driver under the influence of alcohol or drugs will be allowed to compete. Random drug and alcohol testing may occur before the commencement of the event.
8. All drivers enter at their own risk and must read, understand, and sign the appropriate Show Waiver form. This waiver must be submitted with the nomination form.

### No waiver = No driving

9. The Armidale & New England Show Society Inc. accepts no responsibility for any personal injury to any driver or damage to any vehicle taking part in the Derby.
10. Cars will be scrutinised on the day of the event. Failure to comply with the rules and regulations may result in disqualification.
11. Scrutineers have the authority to inspect all competing vehicles and enforce the rules and regulations.
12. No passengers will be permitted in the vehicle.

### Vehicle Presentation

13. All vehicles must display the Major Sponsor's name clearly and legibly on both sides of the car. This year's Major Sponsor is TBC.
14. The two front doors must be reserved for sponsor names.
15. Each driver must have a white flag (30 cm x 30 cm) attached to a piece of dowel. A surrender flag must be attached above the driver's door and be accessible to the driver. When a driver wishes to surrender, they must snap the flag off. Drivers who do this cannot re-enter the event.
16. The driver's name must be displayed on the right-hand side of the roof (150 mm).
17. The driver's door must be white or red, with the opposite colour painted in a cross on the door.

18. Each vehicle must be individually numbered. The number must be displayed on the roof (300 mm x 400 mm). Numbers will be allocated on receipt of the nomination form.
19. No internal or external reinforcement or bar work is allowed except for a pillar bar. This must be one of the following:
  - a. A vertical steel bar fastened to the floor and roof by bolts in the centre of the car or behind the driver's seat, in such a way as to allow the driver's headrest to be fitted, OR
  - b. A side-to-side pillar bar (minimum 10 mm thick steel), OR
  - c. An A-frame top-to-bottom pillar bar (minimum 10 mm thick steel).
20. Bracing of the driver's door is mandatory. The minimum level of brace is one of the following:
  - a) A single brace across the driver's door. The brace must extend past the A and B pillars by 200 mm, OR
  - b) Reinforced skin on the driver's door, OR
  - c) Open door, welded across the A and B pillars. Fully welded on both sides, 300-400 mm apart. Mark inside the skin of the door. The door must close, and the doors must be fully welded.
21. The driver's door can also be filled with sand (NO concrete).

### **Vehicle Specifications**

22. All cars must be of average sedan size. Station wagons, Utes, and panel vans are permitted to compete. Special dispensation to allow V8s should be sought from the insurer.
23. Four-wheel drives and full chassis vehicles are NOT permitted in the competition.
24. All-wheel drive vehicles must have the four-wheel drive disconnected to make the vehicle a two-wheel drive.
25. The vehicle must retain its original height, i.e., no alteration to the suspension.
26. No tractor tyres are allowed, but rally tyres will be permitted.
27. All glass and plastic must be removed from the vehicle, including the glove box lid and airbags. The dashboard (plastic) and an interior rear-view mirror are permitted.
28. All doors, bonnets, and boots must be strapped or chained. Strapping must be welded using 1" x 1/4" metal strapping or chains to be chained closed.
29. Bonnet and boot must be accessible for scrutineering.
30. There must be no internal or external extra reinforcement or bar work, except as stated in Rule 19.
31. The engine must be in the original position.
32. In addition to Rules 17 and 19, you are permitted to weld the engine mount. No other forms of welding or plating are permitted.
33. All cars must carry a fire extinguisher.
34. All vehicles must have brakes.
35. All drivers must wear crash helmets, full cotton overalls, and steel-capped footwear. Gloves are optional.
36. All drivers must wear a seat belt. Seat belts must be in good condition. Racing harnesses are not permitted.
37. Vehicles must not have rust in seat or seat belt mountings.
38. An approved boat fuel tank or jerry can (5L) with a breather must be fastened in the centre rear, where the back seat was. If the tank is located just in front of the rear axle, the factory tank can be used.
39. A limit of five (5L) of fuel is allowed.
40. The vehicle's petrol tank must be removed or punctured with a minimum 1/2" hole.
41. The original fuel line must be used with rubber grommets where it passes through a firewall.
42. The tow-bar and tongue must be removed.
43. Steel mesh must be welded onto the driver's half windscreen. No mesh is to be welded on the driver's side window.
44. The radiator must be in its original position, but fan blades may be removed.

45. Bonnet and boot must be pinned or bolted shut (not welded) and must be able to be visually inspected during scrutineering.
46. All vehicles must be fitted with effective mufflers.
47. The battery must have a rubber cover securely bolted over the top. It may be fitted to the cabin area, and the cable must have grommets where it passes through the firewall.
48. If the fuel pump is external to the fuel tank, it must be secured well and covered to stop any spraying of fuel should a line break.
49. An external cut-out switch must be mounted in front of the windscreen area so that it can be reached by either the driver or outside persons in an emergency. It must have only two positions: ON and OFF.
50. All vehicles must be inspected before the commencement of the event.

### **During the Derby**

51. An area will be marked on the arena to show the boundary. Any vehicle driving over the boundary will be eliminated.
52. During the derby, when a driver cannot or does not wish to participate any further in the event, they can break the white flag off. No driver shall deliberately hit any vehicle without a flag. Once the flag is broken, the vehicle cannot restart in the event.
53. Removal of the seat belt, safety harness, or helmet during the event will result in immediate disqualification.
54. All drivers must remain in their vehicle until the event is completed or as otherwise instructed by the relevant safety crews.
55. Any vehicle deliberately ramming the driver's side door of another vehicle will be disqualified.
56. Drivers are allowed to use low and reverse gears only and can travel a maximum of 40 metres at any time in a straight line.
57. No vehicle is permitted to hit a surrendered vehicle or a vehicle out of bounds.
58. The Judge reserves the right to disqualify any driver at any time.
59. The Judge's decision is final, and no correspondence will be entered into.

### **Post Derby**

60. All drivers participating in the event are responsible for picking up the debris prior to prizes being announced and distributed.
61. All vehicles must be removed from the showground following the completion of the event or a \$100 fine will be imposed.
62. The judges reserve the right to disqualify any driver at any time. The judge's decision is final.