

# TATPA PULLING RULES

## GENERAL RULES

**THE FOLLOWING RULES ARE GENERAL IN NATURE AND APPLY TO ALL PULLERS, TRACTORS AND OPERATIONS AT ALL TATPA SANCTIONED EVENTS.**

- 1) A TRACTOR MAY PULL ONLY ONCE IN EACH CLASS. PULL PROMOTER DECIDES NUMBER OF CLASSES EACH TRACTOR MAY ENTER IN EXCEL OF THREE PULLS.**
  
- 2) DRIVERS MUST BE AT LEAST 16 YEARS OLD. DRIVERS 16, 17 OR 18 YEARS OF AGE MUST HAVE VALID DRIVERS' LICENSES OR LEARNERS' PERMITS AND WRITTEN PARENTAL/GUARDIAN PERMISSION.**
  
- 3) DRIVERS MUST STAY ON THE SEAT OF THE TRACTOR AT ALL TIMES. HANDS MUST BE ON THE STEERING WHEEL, HAND BRAKES, HAND CLUTCH, OR THROTTLE AT ALL TIMES DURING THE PULL.**
  
- 4) WHEELIE BARS ARE REQUIRED IN DIVISIONS II, III, IV, & V AND SHOULD NOT BE ATTACHED TO THE DRAW BAR IN ANY WAY. MINIMUM REQUIREMENTS FOR THE WHEELIE BARS ARE AS FOLLOWS. 10" MAXIMUM ABOVE GROUND. THE BACK OF THE WHEELIE BAR IS TO EXTEND 5" BEHIND THE TIRE RADIUS. PADS - 5" SQUARE MINIMUM, SPACED MINIMUM OF 20" FROM OUTSIDE EACH PAD. STABILIZER BAR SYSTEM MUST BE ABLE TO SUPPORT THE WEIGHT OF THE TRACTOR IN THE HEAVIEST CLASS PULLED. JACKING UP THE PADS SO THE TRACTOR IS COMPLETELY OFF THE GROUND IS A GOOD TEST OF THE STRENGTH OF THE SYSTEM'S SUPPORT ABILITY AND THE TATPA TECH CREW RESERVES THE RIGHT TO PERFORM THIS TEST AT ITS DISCRETION.**
  
- 5) UNSAFE OR ILLEGAL TRACTORS OR PULLERS MIGHT BE DISQUALIFIED OR BARRED FROM HOOKING. NO TRACTOR RIDERS ARE ALLOWED ON THE TRACK WHILE THE TRACTORS ARE PULLING.**
  
- 6) NO USE OF ALCOHOLIC BEVERAGES WILL BE PERMITTED.**
  
- 7) THE LOSS OF ANY TRACTOR PART ONTO THE TRACK, AFTER HOOK-UP AND UNTIL UNHOOK, WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION.**
  
- 8) IT IS SUGGESTED THAT ALL WEIGHTS ARE SECURED; DROPPED WEIGHTS ARE CAUSE FOR DISQUALIFICATION.**
  
- 9) CONTACT POINT OF TRACTOR AND SLED MUST REMAIN IN TRACK BOUNDS AT ALL TIMES. OUT OF BOUNDS WILL RESULT IN DISQUALIFICATION. NO MEASUREMENT WILL BE TAKEN AFTER A DISQUALIFICATION.**

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**10) RPMs ALLOWED WILL BE DETERMINED BY THE NATPA RPM CHART. ANY TRACTOR NOT LISTED WILL USE MANUFACTURER'S DATA. NO OVERRIDING OF GOVERNOR IS ALLOWED DURING A PULL.**

**11) GAS, DIESEL, OR LP FUELS ONLY. FUEL ADDITIVES ARE ALLOWED. EXCEPTION: NO ALCOHOL OR NITROUS OXIDE FUELS MAY BE USED IN TRACTORS. INJECTION DEVICES USING GAS, DIESEL OR LP FUELS ARE ALLOWED. ALL TRACTORS ARE SUBJECT TO RANDOM FUEL CHECKS.**

**12) ALL SIDE SHIELDS MUST BE REMOVED PRIOR TO A TRACTOR BEING INSPECTED BY THE TECH CREW. THEY MAY BE REATTACHED AFTER THE TECH INSPECTION. 13) THERE IS NO ALLOWANCE ON WEIGHT FOR ANY CLASS IN ANY DIVISION. WEIGHT OF CLASS IS MAXIMUM WEIGHT ALLOWED.**

**14) A FINISH LINE MUST BE USED AT ALL EVENTS. IF THE SLED EXCEEDS THIS DISTANCE, THIS CONSTITUTES A FULL PULL.**

**15) RULES FOR EACH DIVISION WILL NOT BE CHANGED UNLESS BY MAJORITY VOTE BY THE MEMBERS PRESENT AT THE REQUIRED MEETING.**

**16) THE TECH/RULES COMMITTEE WILL INTERPRET ALL RULES. ANY UNFORESEEN PROBLEMS OR AN OVERSIGHT IS RULES ON BY THE TECH/RULES COMMITTEE.**

**17) NO RADIAL TIRES IN ANY CLASS IN ANY DIVISION.**

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