

# 2023 Christensen Promotions

## All Class General Rules

### NO GREY AREA BUILDING!!!

- All drivers must be 16 years of age with a valid driver's license. Those under 18 must have a legal guardian's signature.
- No drugs or alcohol allowed in the pits
- All drivers must wear seat belts, full face helmet and eye protection
- No riders on cars or hot rodding in the pits at anytime
- Driver is responsible for all members of pit crew. Any rules found violated will result in disqualification of driver, crew and car. Forfeiture of any winnings, entry fees and/or trophies will be forced.
- Any mechanical work must be done in pit area only
- No displaying foul/profane language or decoration on vehicle
- Must remove all glass, plastic, mirrors, trailer hitches, chrome, wheel weights, door handles, stock gas tanks and speakers in the rear speaker deck etc.
- Must have a minimum of 2 working brakes
- Must have at least a 15"x15" hole in hood in case of fire
- This will be open hood inspection so have your chains/wire/ bolts ready to take off when you get to inspection

- May weld window net on driver's door (don't get carried away)
- Driver's door may be welded solid using 3"x1/8" steel strap. If you decide to run an outer driver's door safety bar it must be welded no more than 6" forward/rear of the door seams.
- Must have 2 windshield strap/chain/#9 wires. 3"x3/8" strap maximum if using steel. 6" max welded to roof and 6" firewall
- Batteries must be on the passenger floor secured in a METAL box with metal straps to hold down. Limit 2 batteries. No milk crates or ratchet straps will be tolerated. No excuses. Must have a rubber cover over the batteries.
- Gas tank must be mounted in the behind driver's seat or in the middle of the car with a max cage of 24x24 (outside/outside). 15 gallon max. Must be STEEL, STAINLESS STEEL or ALUMINUM. No plastic boat tanks. No ratchet straps to hold to cage. No excuses. If you bolt to floor you must not tie into seat bar. If you mount to rear seat bar it must be at least 4" away from all sheet metal.
- Must have at least a 15"x15" roof sign
- No self tapping screws!!
- IF NOT IN RULES DO NOT ASSUME YOU CAN DO IT!

## COMPACT WELD CLASS

- No added metal reinforcement or alterations to the frame unless specified in these rules.
- 4 and 6 cylinders only. 108.5 wheelbase for fwd and rwd
- May run skid/v tread tires. May be doubled. May run solid forklift tires on rear
- May stiffen suspension. Homemade/Aftermarket struts are allowed or you can use a 2"x1/4"x8" flat strap from lower a arm to frame. This strap must be vertical.
- Tie rods/ball joints may be reinforced or replaced with aftermarket
- Seam welding: unibody seams firewall forward may be welded solid with no added metal. K-frame seams may also be welded solid.
- Body bolts/subframe bolts may be replaced with 1" max bolts. Original rubber pucks may be taken out. 5"x5"x1/8" washers max.
- Hood may be bolted in 8 spots (4-sheet metal, 4-frame). 5"x5"x1/8" hood washer's maximum. 8" max of weld on any sheet metal. You may weld 2 vertical bolts holding k frame and unibody together, but must be used as a hood bolt.
- Core support may have 2"x2"x 1/4" angle iron on the top from fender to fender. May have radiator barrel and it can be bolted with 3/8" bolts in 4 spots or you can weld 2"

welds in 4 spots to the core support. Must run vent tube under car.

- Cage: 4 point cage is encouraged. May only have 5' max between the dash and the seat bar. 6"x6" outside diameter max. you may have 1 kicker from your passenger door bar to your dash bar and 1 to your seat bar. You are allowed 1 down bar per side in the middle of the door from your cage to floor.
- Halo bar is encouraged. It can be welded/bolted to your floor in 2 spots, welded/bolted to your cage in 2 spots and welded/bolted to your roof in 3 spots using 3/8 bolts.
- Trunk may be bolted in 6 spots (4-frame, 2-sheet metal). Trunk lid seams may be welded solid using 3"x1/8" flat strap. You may tuck trunk lids in. NO WEDGES!!
- May have a rear window bar. 6" welded on roof and 6" welded to trunk lid. Window bar cannot exceed the middle of the trunk lid.
- Doors may be welded 6" on 6" off. You may also fold the window gaps of the doors over and weld together with no added metal.
- Windows openings are allowed to have #9 wire in 2 spots
- Bumpers: Any factory front bumper may be used. Seam welded, stuffed or aftermarket are allowed. Pointy replicas and 74-76 chevy replica bumpers will be allowed as well. Pointy replicas must be no further than 4 inches from the back of the bumper to the tip and must spread over the same angle as a stock pointy bumper. Other homemade

bumpers are to be no bigger than 8" material and the point is to be no more than 4" out from the flat part of the bumper and must span over 32". Bumper must be completely in front of frame rails. Bumper brackets may be up to 20"x4"x3/8" FLAT stock can be used but must stop in front of a-arm bracket.

- May run full or lower engine cradles
- No stuffing/pinning frames in any way!!
- Frame repairs: rust holes may be plated with 1/4" plate 1" max past the rust hole. DO NOT CUT RUST OUT. You are allowed 20" max per side no longer than 6" pieces on a preran car. 1" past the bend MAX! 1" between plates! We will have a frame scope on site so do not get carried away! Call if you have questions and be very precise on what you plan to do! Official's decision is final!!

### **Compact Chain Class**

- All general rules apply along with these rules to follow
- Any 4 or 6 cylinder
- 113" wheelbase for front wheel drive, 105 for rwd cars
- May run aftermarket shifters, headers and carbs but no protectors allowed
- MAY RUN SKID/V TREAD TIRES. Can be doubled but not foam filled.
- Car cannot be unsafe due to rust- officials decision is final.

- Seat bar behind driver's seat from door post to door post is REQUIRED! Dash bar and door bars to make a 4 point cage will be allowed if you choose. 1 down bar may be used per side in the middle of the door from cage to floor. If you choose to run a halo it must attach to the cage and can BOLT to the roof in 3 spots. 3/8" bolts only. Call if you have questions.
- Driver's door may be welded solid for protection using 2"x 1/4" flat strap
- All other doors may be chained/wired 2 spots per seam
- Trunks can be wired 3 spots per seam with a 15"x15" inspection hole in the lid
- Bumpers may be welded/bolted/chained (choose one) onto the original bumper brackets with no added metal. If you choose to hard nose your car, you will be able to run (2) 1 1/2 x 1 1/2 angle irons along the side of your frame (upright) connecting the bumper to the frame. If you are running stock bracket's they must remain in stock location. Bumper brackets can be collapsed and welded back together. Do not push this rule or you will run with the weld cars. May use any STOCK bumper but it must be trimmed to fit the car. Cannot stick out in any way. No seam welded or stuffed bumpers allowed!
- Bumpers may also have (2) 3/8 max chains from core support down to the bumper to hold on in case your welds break.

- All steering and suspension components must remain stock. No reinforcing or stiffening of suspension in any way. This rule is for both front and rear suspension.
- No aftermarket protectors (engine, carb, headers) cradles or extra motor mounts of any kind
- Must have minimum of 2 working brakes
- Must have a seatbelt of some sort. Lap, shoulder, 5 pt harness whatever. No ratchet straps. Yes we've seen it before.
- Battery must be relocated to the passenger floorboard of the vehicle. Battery mount must be mounted securely with a cover over it. No milk crates. No ratchet straps. This rule will be closely monitored. Any questions ask.
- Must have a steel/aluminum/stainless fuel cell. 6gallon max. we would like to see some sort of protection around the fuel cell if you could, they must be securely fastened! No ratchet straps or chain holding them down. High pressure fuel lines must be used.
- No sedagoning. No excuses
- Pre ran cars are able to weld 3--3"x6"x1/8" plates total per frame rail! Must be no further than 1 inch past bend.
- NO RUST REPAIR OF ANY KIND!!

## Full Size Cars

- Any full size V8 car except 1973 & older Imperials, Imperial Sub Frames, 1969 & older Lincolns are allowed.
- No convertibles, hearse or limos allowed.
- 2003 & newer Crown Vic's allowed but must run factory engine crossmember and suspension.
- No tilting, cold bending or any other frame mods allowed unless specified in the rules to follow. If it is suspected this happened you will be trailered. Judges decision is final.
- All chain to be used 3/8" max. 4 loops of #9 wire
- Slider driveshafts will be allowed
- Skid loader, v tread tires allowed and may be double stuffed
- Full center rims will be allowed with 1" wide bead lip protectors
- Inside bead lock rims will be allowed
- Lower engine cradle will be allowed. Block saver style only
- Must mount engine in stock location with a rubber mount.
- Front plate will be allowed
- Pulley protector allowed but must cut sway bar out. If you choose not to run a pulley protector the sway bar may stay intact.
- Carb protector/halo may be ran but cant run any further than 2" past the back side of the carb. Must mount to the



motor on the back side. Can mount to the front plate for the front side.

- No full lower cradles, mid plates, distributor protectors are allowed
- Steel/Aftermarket trans bell housing allowed must be 5" away from dash bar. A 2"x2" square tubing will be allowed as a trans crossmember but must be bolted in.
- No Chrysler V bumpers allowed.
- Hood can be chained/wired in 6 spots
- Must have 2—3" wide flat windshield bars/chain/wires
- Front bumpers may be swapped and may be seam welded but no stuffing/gussets. Must have 2 inspection holes.
- Front bumper bracket must be stock to that car, must remain in factory location. They also may be collapsed and welded back together. May be bolted/welded on. Don't get carried away. If you decide to hard nose, you may run 1 ¼" x 1 ¼" x ¼" angle iron on the sides vertically to help hold the bumper on. Bumper height max will be 25" to the top of the bumper. May run 2 chain/wires from core support to front bumper to keep from falling off.
- May swap a arms as long as they are bolted in a factory manor with no welding or added metal. May stiffen suspension with a 2"x1/4" strap welded vertically. Must not strengthen frame of the car or we will cut it. Must also use stock ball joints, tie rods and spindles. No aftermarkets at all. May reinforce tie rods with 1 ¼ x 1 ¼ angle iron.

- Pre ran cars will be allowed 3—3"x6"x1/4" plates per frame rail, not to exceed 1" past bend. PLATES MUST BE FLAT STRAP ONLY AND LAY FLAT AGAINST FRAME! If you decide to run a rusty car, you may plate the rusted area 1" past the rust hole. These plates WILL be counted 1 of the 3 plates you are allowed. We want to keep things fair and to a minimum, so choose wisely. Any more than 3 plates per car will be cut by drivers or officials. Must prove that there was a bend.
- Restubbing cars is allowed as long as its from that make of car. No cross breeding stubs. Cars will be stubbed in the center of the car under the doors, no excuses. Allowed 1 plate where the stub meets 2" each way past the butt weld. This plate too WILL act as one of your 3 fix it plates.
- Any 5 bolt rearend will be allowed. No braced rearends. May be welded posi. All suspension parts must remain stock. Pinion brake allowed with no protector.
- May chain/wire rear humps together. Humps must remain stock.
- Leaf springs must remain stock. No added clamps or leaf's. Coil must remain coil. Leafed must remain leafed.
- 4 point cage recommended. 6"x6" max. 1 down bar per side must be center of the front door, connected from side bar to floor. Halo may be bolted to the roof in 3 spots using 3/8 bolts max. Halo may be welded to the floor.
- You are allowed a 24"x24" gas tank protector (outside to outside) gas tank protector may have 2 kickers from the

protector to the back seat bar. Must be 4" away from any sheet metal.

- Body bolts may be replaced with ½" max bolts with 2" washers. Must be 1" RUBBER spacing between body and frame. A 5" max in the core support.
- Trunk lid may be chained/wired in 6 spots. Trunk lid may be tucked 50%. No wedging. No body creasing. No exposed frame rails. May notch frame. May pound corners of the trunk in if lid is tucked. If lid is not tucked you may pound the rear quarters in.
- Back window bar can be 3"x3" c channel or square tubing. 6" welded on the roof 6" welded on the lid
- Any stock factory flat bumper may be welded on the back, using the same rules as the front bumper. Back bumper may be no lower than 20" to the top of the bumper. Can be chained/wired in 2 spots to keep from falling off.
- Doors may be chained wired in 3 spots per seam. Not to go around any part of the frame or cage.

### **Full Size Trucks**

- Any American made truck. Extended cab, crew and suburban's are allowed. Older c-channel, straight framed trucks can not be taller than 7.25" tall. Nothing bigger than a 1 ton (F350 or 3500) Frames must remain stock and unaltered in any way.

- Shortening front frame rails up to front core support mount without moving core support mount or any leaf spring brackets will be allowed.
- No shortening of the middle or rear frame sections of any kind. Also, no making long box frames into short box frames.
- No welding other than specified in these rules.
- Stock steering components, may alter steering shaft from box to steering wheel. Tie rods may be reinforced in the center.
- After market shifter, slider driveshafts are allowed
- No adding extra braces in the frame or engine cradles.
- Tires may be stuffed. V treads, skids and straights allowed. Split rims allowed as well but must be fully welded. Full centers and 1" wide bead lip protectors will be allowed as well. Inside bead locks will also be allowed, no bigger than 18"
- All chain may be 3/8" or 5 loops of #9 wire
- Hoods may be chained/wired or bolted in 6 spots.
- You may have 2—1" all thread welded to the frame used for hood pins at the core support, they may be welded to the core support 5" per rod (5" filler material can be used to reach core support if not resting tight against the core support) 5"x5" washer may be welded to the top of the core support for the hood pin to go through, to hold it in position. Other 4 locations may be 1" all thread or wire/chained sheet metal to sheet metal only.

- Hood washers no larger than 5"x5" x1/4"
- May bolt hood skin together where the headers come through in 12 spots max using 3/8 bolts.
- Must have 2 windshield bars/chain/wires to prevent hood from coming through
- Doors may be chained/wired in 4 spots per seam or welded 5" on 5" off with 3"x1/8" flat strap. Driver's door may be welded solid. May have a window net as well.
- Any factory front bumper may be used. Seam welded, stuffed or aftermarket are allowed. Pointy replicas, 74 and 76 chevy replicas will be allowed. Pointy replicas must be no further than 14 inches from the back of the bumper to the tip and must spread over the same angle as a stock pointy bumper. Other homemade bumpers are to be no bigger than 8" material and the point is to be no more than 4" out from the flat front part of the bumper and must span over 32". May be welded to the frame plus 2"x2"x1/4" thick angle iron on all sides. Vertically on the sides not to run length ways down the frame toward the cab. Max bumper height of 30" to the top of the bumper.
- Front axle non-leaf spring trucks may install a 3/4" bolt in the center of the a-arm welded to the spring pocket to gain height. Front shocks may also be replaced with a piece of steel and BOLTED into the factory location to maintain ride height. Stock leaf packs only, no adding of leaf's. You may have 6 clamps per leaf pack total. No coil to leaf conversions on the front axles. Factory leaf spring perches may be welded or bolted to the frame to help

from tearing off. May add 2—3/8" chains from axle to the frame.

- For any truck with no engine crossmember. You will be allowed to build an engine crossmember out of 2"x6"x1/4" thick tube max. you will be allowed to have a piece of the 2x6 tube straight across off those pieces. This crossmember must be directly above the front axle of the truck. No gussets or extra bracing from the crossmember to the frame whatsoever. Must only contact the engine/cradle at the mounting bolts only. Outside of motor mount bolts, the crossmember cannot be used as a brace or support for lower engine cradles or any other part of the drivetrain or suspension. In addition to the crossmember you will be allowed to box the frame from the front frame horns to this crossmember. Max thickness on the box plate is to be 1/4" with no internal reinforcement. You must have an inspection hole in the frame capping for scoping purposes. Do not use the firewall as a brace. May have 2 chains/wire to frame to hold the motor in place, may weld motor mounts in size of factory mount. Engine must be bolted to mount with 2 bolts, not welded. Block saver lower engine cradles are allowed with pulley protector.
- Aluminum ultra or steel bell with no extra bracing or supports will be allowed. Cannot come in contact with the floor in any way. No midplates allowed. For trucks not running an ultra/steel bell, a skeleton brace for top of tranny allowed, but cannot be welded to the crossmember

in any way. Pan protectors or anything on the bottom of trans will not be allowed. Pick 1 of the 3 (ultra bell, steel bell, or skeleton brace)

- Trans cooler allowed if deemed safe. Do not use unbraided rubber lines. Trans may be chained/wired to trans crossmember.
- May crossbreed engines and transmissions
- ½ ton trucks may swap rear ends to ¾ ton and may weld them for posi. No bracing rearends whatsoever
- May have 6 locations of chains/bolts/u-bolt's to secure cab to the frame. Suburban's/SUV may only use 10 total throughout cabin compartment. 1" diameter max bolts with 8"x8"x1/4" plates may be bolted through the top of the frame like a factory mount or may be welded to the outside of the frame (choose 1). Do not pin the frame. You may also leave the original body mounts in factory location but must remain 100% stock with rubber mounts included. If removed and bolted solid you lose the option to use factory location bolts.
- 4 point cage allowed. Must run a bar behind the seat no further back than 10" behind the seat and one across the dash with a bar inside the doors connecting them. Dash bar must be a minimum of 4" away from the firewall and transmission bell. You will be allowed 2 down bars off the driver's side door to the floor OR may kick inward and attach to the top of the frame passing through the floor. For the passenger side you are allowed 1 down bar from the passenger bar to the top side of the frame only to

protect the battery. Down bars can be 2"x3"x1/4" max material no further forward than the firewall sheet metal. Down bars cannot angle forward or backward at all, must be completely vertical. Cage material is to be attached to cab, floor, or body mount plates only not the frame.

- A 4"x4" max halo bar is to be mounted in front of the box, must remain 5" away from the top of the cab and must stay vertical, not angled. Can be bolted/welded to the box floor, washer plates, or to the frame, pick one option. Cannot act like a pin. Also, it can not be any wider than the frame on the uprights and no wider than the cab on top. May have kickers 2 feet back from the uprights to support welds to the sheet metal/box bolt plates. Kickers cannot be welded or attached to frame in any way. One crossbar will be allowed across the bottom of the kickers to protect the gas tank. Suburban/SUVs may attach a floating gas tank protector off seat bar that is 24"x24" and must remain 4" away from any sheet metal.
- Rollover bar cannot attach to inner cage or components OR you may attach a rollover bar from the seat bar up and over the roof and down to the dash bar. Pick 1 option, Halo off back seat or box cage halo.
- Box can be bolted to the cab in 4 locations using 1" bolts with 5"x5" plates and may also weld the cab and box together 12" strap per side. May have 8 locations of chains/bolts/u-bolt's to secure box to frame. You will be allowed 1 location of choice to wire (4 strands max, no chain) box side to box side. This wire cannot go to or



around the frame. May bolt box side fenders together with 6—3/8 bolts with 2" washers max. Point threads inward. Outside fender creasing is allowed but to not fold the box sides down to create a wedge.

- Tailgate must be ran in upright position, do not remove tailgate. May be chained in 4 locations per side OR weld using 2"x2"x1/4" angle iron on the inside OR weld same flat strap as doors on the outside 5" on 5" off. Choose one option. Tailgate can also be lowered and welded to the end of the frame rails to use as a bumper as long as no other form of bumper is being used. If a bumper is being used you may lower the tailgate and weld to the top of the frame only (not the bumper) and chain in 2 lower locations. Suburban/SUVs back door must use tailgate rules to secure. All box sides and tailgates should be properly secured before the start of each show, loose/floppy panels may result in disqualification. In addition, we are allowing interior box seams to be stitch welded 5" on 5" off to help secure the sides to the floor. No open frame rails will be allowed to compete if they show up that way to the derby. Judges discretion during the heat if it becomes a safety issue.
- Rear bumper must remain flat and no bigger than 6" material and bumper height will be a minimum of 22" to the top. No added bumper brackets will be allowed in the rear.
- Preran's are allowed a max of 8 plates total that are 4"x6"x1/4" must stay flat and cannot overlap in any way.

## **Mighty Mini (van/suv) Chain stock**

- No all wheel drive vehicles. If you have a 4 wheel drive vehicle you must remove 1 driveshaft
- 4, 6 or 8 cylinder. Only way you will be able to run an 8 cylinder is if the vehicle came with it factory. That means, NO swapping v8 motors into vehicles that are supposed to be 4 or 6 from factory.
- No moving or switching out transmission crossmembers. Lower engine cradles may be used but must have an OEM rubber motor mount. No aftermarket motor mounts. No welding to make a motor fit period!
- May run aftermarket pedals, shifter, pinion brake, steering columns, trans cooler and slider drive shafts. No pinion brake protectors.
- May have a 4 point cage with halo. 4x4 max, may have 6x6 mounting plates. Must be welded to sheet metal. Not frame! 1 down bar in the center of the front doors from the cage to the floor will be allowed.
- May weld rearend gears to create posi-track. Rear ends must remain factory to the vehicle. No rearend swaps.
- May run v tread, skid tires. Double stuffed, foam filled is fine. Any rim of choice. Full and small centers are allowed.
- May cut fenders for tire clearance. May have 3- 3/8 bolts/washers holding them together.
- All gas tanks/batteries must be secured and covered inside the vehicle. Despite other derby's letting you run stock gas

tank if it is located in front of the axle. That WILL NOT be allowed at this derby.

- You may fasten hood down in 6 spots using 3/8 chain or 4 loops of #9 wire. If you choose to leave the stock hood mounts in, they will count as 2 of your 6 mounts.
- You may switch out the core support mounts and replace them with 3/4 inch all thread but it cannot be welded in any way. May use as 2 of your 6 hood tie downs as well. All other body mounts must remain factory.
- Any bumper may be used. May stuff and seam weld them. Chrysler v bumpers are fine or if you choose to build a bumper it may be 4"x4" max with a 4" point.
- Bumper brackets may be 4"x6"x1/4" piece of flat steel. Welded on the outside of the frame. Top, bottom, inside frame rail or outside frame rail, you choose. No metal inside of the frame whatsoever. Front bumper height no higher than 25" to the top of the bumper and rear bumper no lower than 20" to the top.
- Driver's door may be welded solid using 3"x3/16" flat steel. All other doors may be welded, chained or wired in 2 places per vertical seam.
- Front suspension may be welded solid with 1- 2"x4"x1/4" flat steel on upper a-arm only. You will be allowed 2 factory/aftermarket leaf spring clamps per side or 2 chains around rearend to the frame, not body. Choose one not both. Non leaf spring vehicles will be allowed 1 loop of

3/8" chain around rear end and around frame, not the body. No swapping suspension.

- Trucks must have full box. Sides may be folded over with no welding. Tailgates must be in upright position. No exposed frame rails whatsoever. Official's decision is final if your vehicle becomes a safety hazard on the track.
- 2-2"x1/4" bars/chains per windshield for safety.
- 8- 4"x6"x1/4" plates may be used for preran vehicles. 4 per frame rail/side. Must have 1" gap between them. Bend must be proven.

Stick to the rules and put on a show!

Any questions call Aaron Christensen 507-476-2285

Good luck to everyone!

### **2023 Dates**

White, SD- July 16<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)

Canby, MN- July 21<sup>st</sup> (Friday)

Tyler, MN- July 30<sup>th</sup> (Sunday)

Marshall, MN- August 12<sup>th</sup> (Saturday)