

111 George Street, Harriston, On, NOG 1Z0

LAWNMOWER TRACTOR RACES

WAIVER AND RELEASE

In consideration of being allowed to participate in any way in the <u>Harriston-Minto Agricultural Society Tractor Lawnmower Races</u> and related activities, the undersigned acknowledges, appreciates and agrees that:

- 1) The risk of injury from the activities in this program is potentially significant, and includes, but is not limited to, the risk for permanent injury, paralysis and even death.
- **2)** I KNOWINGLY AND FREELY ASSUME ALL SUCH RISKS, both known and unknown, EVEN IF ARISING FROM THE NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES or others, and assume full responsibility for my participation; and (note: this may not be enforceable to the extent that such injury is caused by the negligence of the HMAS). I acknowledge I am responsible to arrange my own liability insurance coverage for my own protection.
- **3)** I have read, understand and agree to comply with the Official Rules and Regulations which are attached and I have affixed my initials thereon. I further understand and willingly agree to comply with the stated and customary terms and conditions for participation. If, however, I observe any unusual significant hazard during my presence or participation, I will remove myself from participation and bring such attention to the attention of the nearest official immediately; and
- **4)** I, for myself and on behalf of my heirs, assigns, personal representatives and next of kin, HEREBY RELEASE, HOLD HARMLESS, WAIVE, DISCHARGE AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE the Harriston-Minto Agricultural Society, its officers, officials, agents, volunteers, and/or employees, other participants, sponsoring agencies, sponsors, advertisers, and, if applicable, owners and lessors of premises used to conduct the event ("Releasees"), WITH RESPECT TO ANY AND ALL INJURY, DISABILITY, DEATH, or loss or damage to person or property including theft, WHETHER CAUSED BY NEGLIGENCE OF THE RELEASEES OR OTHERWISE IN CONSEQUENCE OF OR IN RELATION TO MY PARTICIPATION IN THE HARRISTON MINTO AGRICULTURAL SOCIETY'S TRACTOR LAWN RACES AND RELATED PROGRAMS AND EVENTS.

I have read this release of liability and assumption of risk agreement, fully understand its terms, understand that I am giving up substantial rights by signing it, including but not limited to the right to sue, and I am signing it freely and voluntarily without any inducement and I further agree that no oral representatives, statements and inducements apart from the foregoing written agreement have been made.

Print Participant's Name	Participant's Signature		Lawn Mower #:
Address:		Email: _	
Parental Signature (if under 18)			-
Date:			

Official Rules and Regulations

General Safety Rules

- 1. Every Driver must have and wear a DOT approved racing helmet (i.e. snowmobile or motorcycle), with goggles, face shield, or safety glasses
- 2. All drivers must wear long pants, shirts, and closed toe, leather over ankle shoes. (NO shorts, tank tops, or sandals)
- 3a. All tractors MUST and WILL go through inspection, and receive an inspection sticker before being allowed to race.
- 3b. All shields and guards must be in place as determined by the tech inspector.
- 4. All drivers are asked to be at the track 1 hour before race time and must be registered at least 1/2 hour before the start of the race. This allows officials time to prepare heat race starting positions and allows for some practice laps. If not registered by said time, driver may not race.
- 5. No alcohol is permitted at the track. Any drivers exhibiting signs of intoxication will not be permitted to race.
- 6. The organizers of any race event can and will remove anyone who is not complying these rules. Anyone who exhibits reckless, careless, or dangerous driving will also be removed. In the event of a driver experiencing problems with his/her tractor or sees a problem with the track or another tractor, that driver must raise his/her hand so that a caution can be called. If one or more track officials, or drivers fell that the track conditions have become unsafe, there will be a conference between track officials and a decision will be made whether or not to resume racing. All decisions by any or all track officials will be final.

Stock: for drivers ten years old and up

- 1. Tractor must be a stock lawn tractor, (no garden tractors) with a rim size of maximum 8" on the rear and 6" on the front.
- 2. All blades belts and mower decks must be removed.
- 3. Tractor must be as it originally came from the factory. No modifications, of any nature, are allowed to the engine (including governor and carburetor), driveline (trans axle, belts or pulleys) or the chassis.
- 4. Brakes must be intact and working (cannot drill holes in brake disc).
- 5. All stock tractors must have a maximum speed of 10 km/hr.

Super-Stock: for drivers 12 years old and up

- 1. Tractor must be a stock lawn tractor, (no garden tractors) with a rim size of maximum 8" on the rear and 6" on the front.
- 2. All blades belts and mower decks must be removed.
- 3. Engines must be of lawn tractor origin (not to exceed 18 hp.). Overhead valve engines will be permitted. No engine modifications will be allowed. Mufflers are optional. Starter must be on-board, either electric or pull type.
- 4. Chassis must remain stock (discrete strengthening allowed). Front and rear trans-axles must remain in stock location. Chopping of body or axis mounts, for lowering purposes will not be permitted. May be lowered by changing tire sizes only.
- 5. Axle width with tires, front and rear, must not exceed 36"
- 6. Steering linkage may be discretely reinforced.
- 7. Front axle must be a one-piece beam, solid mount or centre pivoted, and may be dampened, but no shocks or springs.
- 8. Front spindles must be of original "J" or "L" design.
- 9. Tires must be turf tires only with a maximum size of 18" on the rear only.
- 10. All tractors must have running boards.
- 11. Tractor body must be stock looking, with a grab handle mounted on the left fender, and/or a body bar mounted on the right side of the seat. Sidebars are optional.
- 12. Brakes must be intact and working (cannot drill holes in brake disc)
- 13. Solid drive (live) axles are not allowed.
- 14. All tractors must run on pump fuel only (not to exceed 96 octane). No alcohol or other additives.
- 15. Tractor must have a kill switch (either a seat switch or a tether switch) for safety purposes.

Race Day Protocol

All drivers must arrive a minimum of 1 hour before the posted race time and be pre-registered, unless previous arrangements have been made. All drivers must register before unloading their tractors.

Each driver must sign a "Hold Harmless Agreement" waiver.

Any driver under 16 years of age with no driver's licence must have parents sign the waiver.

There will be "Zero Tolerance" to alcohol consumption before or during the race. This includes all drivers and their guests. Violators will be removed from the pit area.

Driver's meeting will be called 1/2 hour before the start time. All drivers and track workers are required to attend.

Any driver that does not attend the meeting, for any reason will be put to the last place starting position of his/her heat.

If time allows, there may be "hot laps" after the driver's meeting. In the event of a "difference of opinion" occurring on or off the track, racers must not confront other racers.