

# Hard Hit Promotions

## Mini Rods 2022

### THINGS TO MAKE NOTE OF:

**DO NOT DO SOMETHING THAT YOU THINK YOU CAN BECAUSE ITS NOT IN THE RULES. OR MAYBE YOU COULD IN YEARS PAST. THANKS!**

**-No solid tires such as forklift tires**

**-No welding radiator support to bumpers**

**-Some of the pipe sizes changed to smaller diameters**

**-Trunks you're allowed some more chains, plates, or wire. See Trunk section**

**TYPES OF CARS:** must be factory 4 cyl. Or 6 cylinder 1980 and newer. No Full-Tube Frames

### REGISTRATION AND INSPECTION

- Registration and inspection closes 1 hour before the show starts! **There is a \$20 late fee if we have time to get you inspected. Do not think you will pay the money and be good to go. We still have to start the show on time.**
- **GET REGISTERED WHEN YOU ARRIVE!** This makes it easier for the girls
- Anyone under the age of 18 needs a parent release and notary stamp. **JOE WILL NOT BE NOTARIZING PAPERS ANYMORE!** Need to have notary filled out before show. **EVERYONE MUST HAVE A FORM OF ID.** Check our website for pre-registration or stop in at West End Salvage to pick up a copy.
- **All hoods must be open for inspection and trunks need to open or have an inspection hole**

### OFFICIALS DECISIONS

- **WHAT THEY SAY IS FINAL!** If it's not in the rules, it's not legal. Any car considered dangerous or unfair will be rejected. Any reinforcement exposed after running your heat will result in disqualification. Upon running your heat if I feel your car has been altered I will torch holes where necessary to investigate. If your car is found to be cheating you will forfeit all winnings and your car will not be put back together. Reinforcing, modifications, or alterations to any vehicle is not allowed unless specified in the rules. Anything done that would be considered to strengthen the vehicle beyond its original equipment part is not allowed.

### PAYOUT

- Mini Rods 1<sup>st</sup> guaranteed minimum \$500 + trophy & hat. If there is only 1 car it's \$500!!!

### DRIVER ENTRY FEES

- \$50 for one derby vehicle and driver pit pass **CASH ONLY**

### PIT PASS

- \$20 **CASH ONLY**
- No one under 18 is allowed in the pits unless you're a driver!

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**PROTEST:** \$100 cash protest fee. Drivers only of that heat. If driver is found to be cheating, they will be disqualified. If driver is found legal, money goes to that driver.

**PPE:** Seatbelt, helmet, pants, shirt, and boots or shoes are mandatory.

**RADIATORS:** must be in original position containing water. Drain the antifreeze. WATER ONLY. No auxiliary coolers allowed. Homemade radiators are allowed; it cannot strengthen the car in any manner and needs to be mounted as if it were factory.

**GLASS/PLASTIC/TRASH:** windows, headlights; taillights must be removed prior to arrival at the fairgrounds. **No trash allowed in vehicles.** Please pickup your pit at the end of the night.

**WINDSHIELD:** 2-3 straps or chains must be bolted or welded vertically from roof to hood area if windshield is removed to help protect driver.

**GAS TANKS:** Factory gas tank must be completely removed. The tank from under the car can be used as long as it doesn't leak OR a small steel tank OR plastic tank enclosed in a steel case can be used. MUST BE LOCATED BEHIND DRIVER. Must be securely fastened to floor. **ANY LEAKING FUEL WILL RESULT IN IMMEDIATE DISQUALIFICATION**, fuel-injected car have to use high-pressure fuel lines or steel lines. Must have approved fuel line (no heater hose, garden hose, vacuum line etc.)

**\*Gas Tank protectors are allowed-** needs to be mounted to safety bar or bolted to floorboards. Max dimensions are 2 inches bigger in width and length than the gas tank. It's just to protect the gas tank not to strengthen the car.

**BATTERIES:** One or two stock automotive batteries or one larger battery of your choice is permitted. Batteries used must be **SECURELY** fastened to floor in and covered in front passenger area of car.

**TRAILER HITCHES:** and braces must be completely removed from vehicle.

**TRANSMISSION:** Transmission coolers are allowed. They must be mounted safely in the back seat area. Transmission loops allowed. Homemade shifters that are fastened directly to transmission are allowed.

**ROOF FLAP #** Cars can be decorated in any manner within the limits of good taste. No obscenity. Use a number of your choice. **Driver's door must be contrasting color to rest of car. EXAMPLE black door with a white number** Car number must be on driver door, passenger door, and on a **MANDATORY 12"X12" minimum roof flap mounted to the top of the car.**

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**BUMPERS:** Impact bumpers may be pushed all the way in and welded. NO EXCESSIVE WELDING ALLOWED. **Must chain bumper, both front and rear of vehicle.** One chain on each side of bumper, not to exceed 36" in length. Chains may be bolted or welded to frame. Any year CAR bumper may be used. Bumper can be welded on instead of bolting. Seam welding is allowed. NO adding any additional material to bumpers. If you can't find a bumper, a replacement can be purchased and welded on (rectangular or round tubing) (12 square inches total and 1/4 inch wall MAX) If you use tubing- 2" tubing with 1/4" wall is the MAX, Smaller dimensions will be allowed too. Bumper cannot exceed the width of the car **Just one straight piece of steel, No kickers coming off the ends. These can be run on FRONT only.** Ends of bumpers must be open for inspection. Hard Nose bumpers can be run, which means it can be welded to the frame/body snouts. **If you do this there must be a hole through the bumper or in the frame to inspect the inside of the frame.** I am doing this so it makes things easier to get, find, and build bumpers to accommodate for the cars without steel bumpers. You're allowed to run 1/4" thick tubing (bumper shocks) 12 inches from front bumper into the frame.

**No loaded bumpers.**

**FRAME/BODY:** No welding on frame or body seams - **NO EXCEPTIONS!!** NO grease, undercoating, mud or paint on frames. It will be assumed that you are trying to cover something up and cheating.

**FENDERS:** May be trimmed with a torch. NO welding, doubling up fenders, or added reinforcement. Body creasing is allowed.

**HOODS:** ONE of the following choices - 6 chains, wires **OR** threaded rods. If using threaded rods, only 2 of the 6 used may go to the frame or through the body bolts in front core support. Threaded rod may be bolted or welded to the frame, max 3 nuts per rod and may not exceed 1" in diameter. You must cut a 3"-6" hole on each side of the motor in the hood for fire extinguishing. **NO Spacers to increase body height from frame anywhere on car.**

**DOORS:** **You may only use 1 of 3 choices** 3 chains, 3 spots of #9 wire OR 3 plates 2"x6" max. Drivers door may be welded all the way around. If door opens during heat you will be disqualified.

**TRUNKS:** **You may only use 1 of 3 choices** 4 chains, 4 wires, OR 4 plates (2"x2") in addition to 2 threaded rods to secure trunk lid. Threaded rods may be secured to frame of vehicle by bolting or welding. Threaded rod may not exceed 1" diameter. Maximum of 3 nuts per threaded rod. You may dish your trunk. You may mount a rear window bar from roof to only the speaker deck with a 3"max diameter tube channel.

**STATION WAGON:** No welding tailgates. Tailgates may be secured with 2 chains or wire straps or welded as stated in the door section. Chains or wire straps not to exceed 30" in length. Absolutely no threaded rods allowed in rear of any station wagon.

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**SAFETY BARS:** If dash is removed, **1st** bar may be mounted horizontally above steering column. At least 1 chain has to go around steering column for safety or 2 can go around bar and then be attached to the body/frame for safety.

**2<sup>nd</sup> bar** may be mounted horizontally from post to post up to behind driver's seat. **This bar can be mounted 12 inches behind the factory seat setting or max 12 inches behind the center of the driver's doorpost.** Must be mounted 3" up or down from center of seat. Bar used square or round 2" to 4" in diameter. Plates used up to 6"x6"" may be used to mount seat bar on the inside post or on the outside of the doors. Mandatory: pipe used behind seat must have at least 1 safety chain or 2 chains max around it and secured through the floor for safety. The chain can go around the frame.

**3<sup>rd</sup> and 4<sup>th</sup> Bars.** Door bars can be connected from dash bar to seat bar. May be bolted or welded. No bars smaller than 2" in diameter or larger than 4" or less than 1/4" in thickness or channel 3" in width to 4". **Door bars cannot extend past the bars they connect with. You will torch or load it up.** Rollover bars can be welded to rear seat bar and that is it. Same size pipe restrictions as above.

**STEERING COLUMN:** can be aftermarket.

**TIRES:** Mini Rods may only use tires with a Maximum inch allowance of 30" No ply restrictions. No studs or wheel weights. **No solid tires such as Forklift tires.** Tires deemed unsafe will be rejected.

**SUSPENSION:** You may bolt or weld with a 1" steel strap. Suspension max height of 18" from bottom of bumper to ground.

**ANY QUESTIONS CONTACT:** Danny Bishop 608-732-1481 leave a message with a clearly stated name and number, THANKS!