



## August 8<sup>th</sup>, 2009 Lawnmower Race Rules and Regulations

### Driver Eligibility

1. Drivers must be 18 years or older.
2. All drivers and pit crew must sign a liability release discharging Manchester Rotary, United Regional Medical Center, WMSR, Manchester Speedway, sponsors, and individuals or volunteers representing these organizations of any and all liability. Anyone not signing a release will not be allowed in the pits or on the track. Participation in the race constitutes agreement to the terms of the written release.
3. No alcoholic beverages will be consumed before or during the race by any driver.
4. All drivers must attend mandatory Driver's Safety meeting prior to the race.

### Driver Safety Equipment (DOT approved)

1. Every driver must wear an automobile racing or motorcycle-type full face helmet. The helmet must fit snugly and be securely buckled when driver is on the track.
2. Long hair must be kept tucked inside helmet.
3. Goggles or a face shield are required. Glasses are not sufficient.
4. Every driver must wear long pants, long-sleeved shirt (tucked in) or jacket, full finger gloves and boots (of some type). No loose clothing (un-tucked or un-buttoned shirts), flip-flops, tennis shoes, etc.

### Mower Eligibility

1. Events are open to all self-propelled rotary or reel type lawn mowers.
2. The mower must be a residential mower, not a commercial mower, used to mow residential lawns (3650 maximum RPM's)
3. It must remain suitable for lawn cutting, apart from modifications permitted in the rules.
4. All drivers must leave mowers on trailers or in trucks until they are registered and mowers can only be brought to technical inspection area after registration.

## **Technical Inspection**

1. Every mower entered in any event must be approved for competition by Technical Inspection.
2. Any mower may be re-inspected at any time by a Technical Inspector.
3. The Technical Inspectors have the right to refuse entry to anyone and also have final say whether or not an entry may run.

## **Mower Requirements**

1. **CUTTING BLADES MUST BE REMOVED COMPLETELY FROM ALL MOWERS. DECKS MUST REMAIN IN PLACE.**
2. All mowers must be equipped with an engine safety cut-off switch. (Seat switch is acceptable).
3. Mower brakes must be in good condition, easily operated and operating on at least two wheels.
4. All mowers must have all body parts intact (i.e., wrap over hoods and grills) to create a shield for engine.
5. All mowers must have a person sitting on them before starting the engines, warming up, tuning, etc.
6. All mowers must have a visible minimum 6" high number. (Numbers will be assigned and provided at Technical Inspection).
7. Engine must be "out of box stock" No internal modifications allowed. External modifications limited to removing muffler and replacing with header, and replacing or modifying the air cleaner. Electric or pull starts only, no push starts.
8. Battery must be securely fastened.
9. Gas tank must be securely attached and reasonably protected. Pump Gas only, no additives allowed. No fueling a running engine.
10. Throttles must operate freely and have an operable return spring.
11. Any type of lawnmower turf or stud tire allowed. No snowhogs, striker, tiller tires, ATV or tractor lugs.

## **Miscellaneous**

1. Race start will be a Lemans type. Drivers will line-up 25' behind their non-running mowers and run to mowers at starters' signal, start the engine and begin racing.