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## 2017 RULES FIGURE EIGHT

Continue to monitor website for any date or time changes. You can also get the addresses of the fairgrounds off the Upcoming Events page on the website. For Demo Derby, Off Road Demo Derby, Garden Tractor Rules or any other events – please visit the website or call

**FIGURE EIGHT RULES – Each driver & mechanic has an obligation to read these rules. All work must be completed on cars before entering pit area.**

**In 2017, Unique Motor Sports will again have individual classes at each show for both Big Cars and Compact Cars. With the exception of Newaygo County Fair – Fremont, it will be SMALL CARS ONLY.**

**\*\* 2017 – All cars must have five (5) lug nuts and five (5) lug studs on each wheel. 1” racing lug nuts recommended \*\***

Open to any hardtop automobile.

### **Driver Rules: All Work Must Be Done Before Entering the Pits!!**

1. Pre-entry fee is \$25.00, \$40.00 day of show – with the exception of championship shows; entry includes the car and driver only. Pre-registers must be post marked one week prior to show. Limited to first 50 pre-paid entries. Officials reserve the right to reject or accept any and all registrations. Pit passes will be \$15.00 per person. Anyone under the age of 18 must have a parent signed waiver form.
2. All drivers and pit crew members must be able to provide proof of age and picture ID – driver's license or state issued photo ID card. This must be done at every event that he/she will be entering pit area – no exceptions.
3. Only drivers and pit persons who sign a release form will be permitted in pit area.
4. Any driver/pit crew not obeying the rules will be disqualified. The driver is responsible for the actions of his/her pit crew in all respects. Unsportsmanlike conduct will result in disqualification.
5. Driver must wear long sleeve shirt, long pants and closed toe shoes – fire suit and neck collar is recommended. Safety belts and Z-90 approved full face helmets, with chinstrap and eye protection are required. Safety harnesses are also recommended.
6. ABSOLUTELY NO ALCOHOL ON GROUNDS. Anyone under the influence of intoxicating beverages or drugs prior to or during the race disqualifies the car and crew of the offending party.
7. NO hot rodding in pit area, no passengers riding on vehicle.
8. The fair association and UMS will not be held responsible for personal property at any time.
9. At any time during the event if any official rules a car unsafe it will be disqualified.
10. If a vehicle is found illegal there will be no refund of the entry fee or pit passes.
11. Drivers must attend the drivers meeting held approximately ½ hour before race time.
12. All injuries must be reported before you leave the Figure 8 area.
13. All cars must have brakes to enter.

### **RULES:**

1. The Figure Eight will consist of heats going around two obstacles in a Figure Eight direction; number of laps and direction will be determined at the driver's meeting.
2. Mud flaps are required on all rear wheel drive cars.
3. Stock gas tank must be removed and an auxiliary tank must be placed behind the driver's seat, securely fastened. Fire shield must be placed between driver and tank. Absolutely no 1 to 5 gallon carrying gas cans allowed for auxiliary tank. Auxiliary tank must be of safe construction and covered with rubber floor mat.
4. Any leakage of fuel will lead to immediate disqualification.
5. ALL FUEL FITTINGS NEED TO BE SAFE AND SECURE. (NO EXCEPTIONS.)
6. All glass, chrome molding, antenna, sun visors, rear seat cushions and other loose objects must be removed and car must be clean of debris.
7. No protruding front or rear frame horns (ends) must be rounded or flattened. Door handles must be removed. Mandatory bar or chain from top of roof to cowl.

8. An approved roll cage is recommended (but not required). Roll cage must be above driver's head. No bars through fire wall. Roll cage is for driver's protection only. If not using a roll cage, you must have door protection on outside of driver's door. This must be secure. If it comes loose you will be disqualified. You may use angle iron, pipe or grader blade. **If you don't have driver's door protection – you don't race.**
9. Battery must be securely fastened and covered.
10. Radiator and transmission cooler must remain in original position or be removed.
11. No blocking shocks, spring jacks, shackles, car must have free suspension.
12. All excessive holes in firewall and front floor pan must be covered.
13. All cars must have brakes to enter.
14. All entries must have 12" hole cut in hood and trunk for inspection purposes.
15. Hood must stay on car at all times.
16. Numbers must be on both front side doors and a 24" x 24" sign with your car number painted on each side of the sign and placed upright in the center of the roof of the car. **MAKE SURE NUMBER IS CLEARLY VISIBLE FOR THE SCOREKEEPERS!** If we can't see your number, we can't score you.
17. Doors and trunk must be welded, wired, chained, all-thread or banded shut.
18. Bumpers may be interchanged, if UMS officials feel bumper is too excessive we will have you cut and/or remove.
19. Welding frame seams are allowed. Pre-run cars that frames are bent may be plated with ¼" thick maximum.
20. ON FIGURE EIGHT CARS ONLY: (This reinforcement may be used, but not required.) One horizontal piece of pipe may be placed in front of radiator, to be supported by two vertical pieces of pipe coming off frame with a support pipe not exceeding 18" back from horizontal pipe. All pipe not to exceed 3" in diameter. This reinforcement if made is intended for protection of radiator only, must be behind front bumper in grill area not to exceed beyond the width of frame rails. No other reinforcement or altering of frame allowed. This is not a battering ram but a radiator protector.
21. Tires - double and/or stuffed tires okay. UMS approved valve stem protectors okay. REMOVE all wheel weights. No tractor tires, no AG tires.
22. Exhaust pipes must exit down or straight up through hood – 12" maximum through hood, no tall pipes.
23. Hoods must be open for inspection. Hoods must be secured down in at least four spots.
24. One piece of pipe or square tubing – 2" max, may be placed from frame rail to frame rail rear.
25. You may use pipe or square tubing not to exceed 2 inches in diameter to come off the back of the cage going towards rear bumper of car through back firewall area. This can be no closer than 6 inches in front of the rear bumper. This may be attached to floor sheet metal but may not be attached to rear bumper. The purpose of this is to keep structural integrity to the cars that are taking such rear end abuse. This may only be done on cars that have four point cage, this can be up to 36 inches wide and at the end you may attach a side to side bar or square tubing not to exceed 36 inches wide.
26. These rules supersede any and all rules previously used. Rules & dates subject to change without notice. **THE DECISION OF THE JUDGES, SCOREKEEPERS AND OFFICIALS WILL BE FINAL!**
27. No protest of any kind on any car will be allowed after drivers meeting is over.
28. Rule or event infractions may result in fines.

#### Compact Figure Eight Rules:

1. Must be a front wheel drive full bodied passenger car, station wagon, compact car, minivan or compact truck (S10, Ranger, etc...) with no longer than 111" wheel base – or rear wheel drive Chevette, Pinto, etc... Maximum 6-cylinder engine. **No 8-cylinder engine or full framed cars will be allowed in compact class.**
2. No 4-wheel drive or all-wheel drive or sport utility vehicles allowed in this class.
3. If the original stock gas tank is factory located completely in front of the rear axle it can remain and be used in this position. Stock gas tank must be removed if it is above or behind rear axle. We suggest extra straps on a stock gas tank. If using auxiliary tank it must be placed inside on floor pan between front seat left side and rear axle. If you are using original tank with electric fuel pump in tank it must have a clearly marked shut-off in reach of the driver for shut-off purposes. Original ignition switch is considered shut-off switch. Maximum 4 gallons of fuel.
4. You may have a roll cage in driver's compartment. No bars through firewall. If not using roll cage you must have driver's door protection. Pipe, angle iron, grader blade or 1/8" plate steel may be used. If this comes loose you will be disqualified. **If you don't use door protection – you will not be allowed to race.**
5. Driver's door must be painted white. Numbers must be on both front side doors and a 24" x 24" sign with your car number painted on each side of the sign and placed upright in the center of the roof of the car. **MAKE SURE NUMBER IS CLEARLY VISIBLE FOR THE SCOREKEEPERS!** If we can't see your number, we can't score you.
6. Bumpers may be interchanged, if UMS officials feel bumper is too excessive we will have you cut and/or remove.
7. All other Unique Motor Sports Figure Eight rules apply.

At time of registration all drivers and pit personnel must sign a waiver and release of liability and indemnity agreement. These rules will govern all Unique Motor Sports events. All participants must comply with these rules and regulations, it is furthermore agreed that all entries, pit crew, driver, owner, sponsors, safety personnel, law enforcement will comply with these rules. No expressed or implied warranties of any kind. This is a guide set forth for the conduct of the sport and no way a guarantee against injury or death to the spectator, participant or official. **Unique Motor Sports has the right to accept or reject any entrees without notice.**

**Awards and prize money will be given out at each show.**

**ANY QUESTIONS?? – CONTACT JIM AT 616-636-8180, [WWW.UNIQUE-MOTOR-SPORTS.COM](http://WWW.UNIQUE-MOTOR-SPORTS.COM)  
OR FIND US ON FACEBOOK!**

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