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## 2017 RULES

### OFF ROAD DERBY RULES (MODIFIED CLASS) i.e.: BUMP N RUN

### FRONT WHEEL DRIVE (COMPACT) & V8 CLASSES

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, Figure Eight, or any other events – please visit the website or call.

**MODIFIED OFF ROAD DERBY RULES – Each driver & mechanic has an obligation to read these rules.**

**CHAMPIONSHIP LOCATION – ANYONE MAY ENTER:**

UMS “MITTEN MADNESS” OFF ROAD (BUMP N RUN) STATE CHAMPIONSHIP – OTSEGO COUNTY FAIR GROUNDS, GAYLORD, MI – SATURDAY, SEPTEMBER 30, 2017 @ 4:00 PM – NO LIMIT ON FRONT WHEEL DRIVE/COMPACT CARS OFF ROAD DERBY (MODIFIED), V8 OFF ROAD DERBY OR FRONT WHEEL DRIVE OFF ROAD DERBY (STOCK). POWER WHEELS FOR KIDS CHAMPIONSHIP ALSO.

THERE WILL BE OVER \$10,000 IN CASH AND TROPHIES GUARANTEED AT THE UMS “MITTEN MADNESS” STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW.

Powder Puff Heat or Stock Heat at each show with four (4) registrations. See Stock Off Road rules sheet.

FOR 2017 – more than one (1) driver can register a car. Mud flaps on all rear-wheel drive cars.

#### **IMPORTANT RULES FOR 2017:**

1. **Off-Road Derby will have a class for any 4 and 6-cyl compact front wheel drive car** or compact rear wheel drive car, mini van or S-10 type pickup. No all-wheel drive or four-wheel drive vehicles.
2. **Off-Road Derby will have a V-8 class open to all V-8 autos. Check events page not all shows have a V8 class.**
3. Bumpers – if using a stock thin bumper from any car from 1980 and newer you may add 1/8” plate to top and front of bumper and you must cap the ends. This is for anyone that cannot find a replacement bumper for their vehicle. We do not want any pipe or angle iron (home-made) bumpers on the front of these vehicles. Questions on bumpers – call Jim at (616) 636-8180.
4. For the V-8 class - guarantee \$500 1<sup>st</sup> place feature with 12 or more participants.
5. **You MUST have a 24” x 24” sign with car number painted on each side of the sign and placed upright in the center of the roof of the car for scoring. MAKE SURE NUMBER IS CLEARLY VISIBLE FOR THE SCOREKEEPERS! If we can’t see your number, we can’t score you.**
6. **Mandatory** driver’s net over driver’s side window.
7. Air bags **MUST** be removed.
8. All vehicles must have five (5) lug nuts and five (5) lug studs per wheel. 1” racing lug nuts strongly recommended. Supporting rim center is allowed. If it came with 4 then it needs 4.

#### **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 64 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 Off-Road Derby area.
13. The Off-Road Derby will consist of heats; number of laps and direction will be determined at the driver’s meeting.
14. All cars must have brakes to enter.

15. 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 tanks 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 on floor pan behind front seat in the middle of the car. If you are using the 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. Stock ignition switch is considered shut-off switch. Fire shield must be placed over tank. All fuel lines must be of a safe and secure manner, no exceptions. Auxiliary tank must be made of steel or neoprene construction. Absolutely no 1 to 5 gallon carrying gas cans allowed for auxiliary tank.
16. Any leakage of fuel will lead to immediate disqualification.
17. Mandatory bar or chain from top of roof to cowl.
18. Windshield is optional or lexon/plexiglass is permitted in driver's windshield.
19. All glass, chrome moldings, antenna and any dangerous loose objects must be removed. No protruding front or rear frame horns/ends must be rounded or flattened. Door handles must be removed. Gas lid door must be removed.
20. An approved roll cage is recommended (but not required). Roll cage must be in car and above driver's head. No bars through fire wall. Roll cage is for driver's protection only. If no roll cage, you must have minimum 2 vertical posts – 1 behind driver's seat and 1 behind passenger's seat, from floor to roof with minimum 6" x 6" plate on each end, must be bolted and welded to floor and ceiling. Post must be minimum 2" pipe or 2" x 2" square 1/8" tubing. If no cage, you must use outside driver door protection.
21. **You MUST have driver's door protection.** You may use 1/8" plate, pipe, square tubing or grader blade. This is not to exceed 3" past brake of door. You must smash over ends, no protruding ends. No driver's door protection, you do not race. If door protection comes loose you will be disqualified. You may run one piece of 2" max square tubing or 2" pipe down passenger doors – not to exceed 3" past break of doors, front and back. You must smash over ends. Inside driver's door must be padded.
22. Battery location open must be secure, fastened and covered.
23. Radiator must remain in original position or be removed.
24. All excessive holes in firewall and front floor pan must be covered.
25. All entries must have 6" hole cut in hood and trunk for inspection purposes.
26. Hood must stay on car at all times.
27. You must have 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.
28. Doors and trunk must be welded, wired, chained or banded shut.
29. No excessive welding to frame or uni-body.
30. You may fix rust holes or rusty strut towers with same steel gauge thickness as factory.
31. ON OFF-ROAD DERBY 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 2" 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. This is designed as a protector not a battering ram. PIPES MAY GO BACK TO STRUT.
32. Tires must be DOT approved not to exceed 8-ply. Tire grooving will be allowed. Tubes – okay. Wheel weights must be removed. No tractor lug tires, no AG tires, no ATV or UTV tires.
33. No rim protectors, no bead locks.
34. Exhaust pipes must exit down or straight up through hood – 12" maximum through hood, no tall pipes.
35. All chassis and suspension components must be stock OEM for make and model of car. One shock per wheel in stock location. Strut supports okay. Cable or seat belt material to limit travel of springs okay.
36. Skid plate may go from undercarriage – right to left – 36" back.
37. **BUMPERS:** You may interchange any stock automotive bumper. You may weld 6" back on frame or uni-body to secure bumper to automobile. No homemade bumpers. **It is recommended to remove factory rubber bumper skins.** If you are not removing them, attach them so that they will NOT come off. If rubber bumper comes off, the decision to disqualify you will be up to the UMS officials. If bumper is too excessive we will ask you to remove or cut it. Bumper ends must be rounded or capped. **NO TIRE CUTTERS!**
38. **MANDATORY:** Drivers window net. You can do this several ways - you can use the mesh type stock car window net, with a quick release device, or you can use plastic snow fence with zip ties. No metal grating – we must be able to cut if necessary to get you out of the car. No window net – no racing.
39. 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 firewall area. This can be no closer than 6 inches in front of 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.
40. No pipe or square tube can be seen from outside of car. All pipe and square tube must be underneath engine compartment, i.e.: no body armor.
41. No connecting k-frame to rear axle on any front wheel drive car.
42. No protest of any kind about any car after the drivers meeting has taken place.
43. 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!**
44. Rule infractions and/or event infraction may result in fines.

### **THESE RULES APPLY TO BIG V-8 CLASS:**

1. Any full size V-8 car may run in this class. No full size trucks will be able to compete with cars.
2. Derby cars are welcome.
3. Big Figure 8 cars are welcome.
4. Full framed V-6 cars will be put in this class.
5. All other Off-Road Derby 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.**

**WHAT IS OFF-ROAD DERBY?** It has several names; Demo Scramble, Bump and Run, Auto Cross, Enduro Run, Off-Road Racing, etc. It is a combination of Demo Derby, Figure Eight and Dirt Track Racing on a small track where there are right turns, left turns, obstacles to go around and small jumps. Where rubbing is considered racing, where there is moderate contact. The average life of a car is 8–10 shows, making it affordable and a great way to get involved in motor sports. The small compact front wheel drive cars do well in the corners and the bigger cars do well in the straight-a-ways. Figure Eight cars do well in the Off-Road Derby. All cars are allowed. This is one of the fastest growing motor sports, growing in popularity with a lot of first time drivers.

\*\* Attention all drivers - for the 2017 season when you pay to participate in two (2) Unique Motor Sports events you will receive the next event that you participate in FREE! Example if you pay to participate at two (2) events you will receive one (1) event free. This excludes Mid-Season and UMS End of Season Championship events.

Awards and prize money will be given out at each show. All regular Small Mod Off Road shows will guarantee no less than \$500 – 1<sup>st</sup>, \$200 – 2<sup>nd</sup> & \$100 – 3<sup>rd</sup> place feature payout with trophies. See events page on website for shows with larger feature payouts.

ALL YEAR END AWARDS WILL BE HANDED OUT AT THE UMS "MITTEN MADNESS" STATE CHAMPIONSHIP SHOW.

CHAMPIONSHIP PAYOUT GUARANTEED – GAYLORD (9/30/17)

MOD SMALL OFF ROAD

1<sup>ST</sup> - \$3,000  
 2<sup>ND</sup> - \$750  
 3<sup>RD</sup> - \$500  
 4<sup>TH</sup> - \$300  
 5<sup>TH</sup> - \$200  
 6<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 7<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 8<sup>TH</sup> - \$100

MOD BIG OFF ROAD

1<sup>ST</sup> - \$1,500  
 2<sup>ND</sup> - \$500  
 3<sup>RD</sup> - \$200  
 4<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 5<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 6<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 7<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 8<sup>TH</sup> - \$100

STOCK OFF ROAD

1<sup>ST</sup> - \$1,500  
 2<sup>ND</sup> - \$300  
 3<sup>RD</sup> - \$200  
 4<sup>TH</sup> - \$175  
 5<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 6<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 7<sup>TH</sup> - \$100  
 8<sup>TH</sup> - \$100

**ANY QUESTIONS?? – CONTACT JIM AT 616-636-8180**

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\*\* YOU MAY MAKE COPIES OF THESE RULES AND REGISTRATION

**OFF ROAD DERBY EVENTS – SEE EVENTS PAGE FOR DETAILS & SHOWS WITH LARGER FEATURE PAYOUTS**

- #1 SATURDAY, 5/20/17 – IONIA FAIRGROUNDS – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #2 SATURDAY, 6/24/17 – LAKE ODESSA FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #3 SATURDAY, 7/1/17 – MONTCALM COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #4 MONDAY, 7/3/17 – HARRISON – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #5 TUESDAY, 7/4/17 – SAND LAKE – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #6 THURSDAY, 7/6/17 – BERLIN FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #7 FRIDAY, 7/7/17 – OAKLAND COUNTY FAIR – “LADIES NIGHT” - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #8 WEDNESDAY, 7/12/17 – OAKLAND COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #9 THURSDAY, 7/13/17 – OAKLAND COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & V8 \$\$
- #10 SATURDAY, 7/15/17 – MECOSTA COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #11 SUNDAY, 7/16/17 – IONIA FREE FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #12 TUESDAY, 7/18/17 – BARRY COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK (6CYL) & “NEW” 4CYL STOCK
- #13 FRIDAY, 7/21/17 – BARRY COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK (6CYL) & “NEW” 4CYL STOCK
- #14 SATURDAY, 7/22/17 – VANBURN YOUTH FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED CLASS & “NEW” 4CYL STOCK
- #15 MONDAY, 7/24/17 – OTTAWA COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #16 WEDNESDAY, 7/26/17 – IOSCO COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED
- #17 FRIDAY, 7/28/17 – IOSCO COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #18 SATURDAY, 7/29/17 – TUSCOLA COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #19 WEDNESDAY, 8/2/17 – “NEW SHOW” SAGINAW COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #20 MONDAY, 8/7/17 – NEWAYGO COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #21 WEDNESDAY, 8/9/17 - WAYNE COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & V8
- #22 THURSDAY, 8/10/17 – BRANCH COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #23 FRIDAY, 8/11/17 – NORTHWESTERN FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & V8
- #24 SATURDAY, 8/12/17 – MASON COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #25 WED, 8/16/17 – OGEMAW COUNTY – (MID SEASON CHAMPIONSHIP) FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MOD, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #26 THURSDAY, 8/17/17 – OTSEGO COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #27 FRIDAY, 8/18/17 – NORTHERN DISTRICT FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #28 SATURDAY, 8/19/17 – OTSEGO COUNTY FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #29 SATURDAY, 8/19/17 – NORTHERN DISTRICT FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED
- #30 SATURDAY, 8/26/17 – “NEW SHOW” OCEANA COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #31 SATURDAY, 9/2/17 – FAIRGROVE - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #32 TUES, 9/12/17 – ALLEGAN FAIR - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MOD, V8, FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK (6CYL) & “NEW” 4 CYL STOCK
- #33 SATURDAY, 9/16/17 – ALLEGAN COUNTY FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$
- #34 TUESDAY, 9/19/17 – ST JOSEPH COUNTY GRANGE FAIR – FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK
- #35 SATURDAY, 9/30/17 – OTSEGO COUNTY FAIRGROUNDS (MITTEN MADNESS – BUMP N RUN, OFF ROAD STATE CHAMPIONSHIP) - FRONT WHEEL DRIVE MODIFIED, V8 & FRONT WHEEL DRIVE STOCK \$\$ (OVER \$10,000 PURSE GUARANTEED)

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Mail to: UNIQUE MOTOR SPORTS, INC., PO BOX 230, PIERSON, MI 49339 – Off-Road Derby (Modified Class) Entry Form:

Print Name \_\_\_\_\_ Show Date \_\_\_\_\_

Address \_\_\_\_\_ Car # \_\_\_\_\_ Front Wheel Drive or V8?: \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP \_\_\_\_\_ Phone (\_\_\_\_) \_\_\_\_\_

Signature \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

E-Mail Address \_\_\_\_\_

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