

# WYOMING STATE FAIR



## \$10,000 FIGURE 8 RACES

### RULES & REGULATIONS

FRIDAY, AUGUST 16, 2024 7:00 PM

#### ENTRY AND PRIZES:

1. The entry fee for the Wyoming State Fair Figure 8 Race is \$75 per car if paid on or before July 15 or \$100 per car after July 15. The deadline for entries is Monday, August 11, 2024, at 5:00 pm or whenever the maximum car count of 42 is reached. The Release, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnity Agreement on the back of the entry form must be signed by all drivers and pit crew members upon submission of your entry to the Fair Office; you will not be entered until it is complete. No pit crew changes are allowed after 12:00 pm on the day of the race.
2. Car numbers will be confirmed by pre-registration only on a first-come, first-entered basis. Duplication of numbers will not be permitted. Total entries for the \$10,000 Figure 8 Races will be limited to 42 cars.
3. Heats are determined by number of total entries. Winner of each heat will qualify to the semifinals, 2nd and 3rd place will move to the quarter finals. Two (2) loser heats top 2 go to the quarter finals. Top 3 of "semi" heat will move to finals.
4. There will be a cash prize for the Best Painted Car. The prizes are provided by the Wyoming Fair Board. Judging will take place in the pit area and the winners will be allowed to parade their cars at the beginning of the race.
5. The top three finishers will receive cash prizes: 1st \$3,000; 2nd \$2,000; 3rd \$1,500 and 4th \$1,000. In addition, a trophy will be awarded to the Grand Champion.

#### AUTOMOBILE SETUP PROCEDURES:

1. Any small, 4-cylinder automobile is acceptable. Due to the size of the cars and the small running area, maximum wheelbase allowed is 107 inches. No pickups or 4x4s. No All-Wheel Drive.
2. The only welding allowed will be all doors and trunk. Welding anywhere else will lead to immediate disqualification. If the judges believe something is covering up an area that is welded, you will be required to uncover any part of your car to show there is no welding other than the driver's door plate.
3. No foam added to the cars; only foam that came stock with the vehicle is allowed.
4. All chrome, fiberglass, plastic, diecast metals (i.e. head-, tail-, and parking light assemblies, plastic bumpers, door handles and mirrors), and all glass MUST be taken out and/or vacuumed out of the inside of doors, passenger compartment, and trunk. The car must be free of any dirt, debris, or fragments anywhere in the automobile prior to entrance into the Fremont County Fairgrounds.
5. Driver's door must be securely fastened at all times.
6. Automobile must have at least a lap and shoulder belt. Five-point seat belts would be best and are recommended. Seat and seat belts shall be attached securely to the floor. Note: Seat belt grab or slack-adjusting ratchet MUST be removed or secured/blocked to prevent over tensioning of belt upon rear impact. All airbags must be disconnected or removed seat belts must be factory. Seat belt must be buckled before starting engine that would make the regular seat belt useless.
7. Bumpers must be original and for that model car. No push bumpers and no plastic on the bumpers. All plastic bumpers must be removed front and back.

8. All cars must have numbers at least 10 inches high placed on each side of the car and on the roof. Sponsors may be painted on the car. No risqué or obscene sayings will be allowed.
9. Air pressure in tires must be at factory recommended air pressure. All four tires must be the same size and must be of the same size or smaller as recommended by the manufacturer. Only street tires are allowed, no four-wheeler or ATV tires. Wheel weights must be removed from all wheels. No studded tires. Tires may be sipped.
10. Driver window net is mandatory.
11. No holes are to be cut in roof -- factory sunroofs only. Holes for exhaust pipes or chains to chain down the hood to the bumper or the frame may only be cut in the hood.
12. Driver's door must be a different color than the rest of the car.
13. Batteries only may be moved and installed inside car cab. All batteries must be fastened down and covered.
14. Bar welded from door to door, behind seat is recommended and a bar in driver's door and passenger door, or plate.

### **DRIVERS, PIT CREW AND PIT CREW AREA:**

1. Absolutely no alcoholic beverages will be allowed in the pit area. Any driver or pit crew member found with alcohol in his/her possession while on the Wyoming State Fairgrounds at any time on the day of the race will immediately disqualify the figure 8 car and driver from the event.
2. All cars must be in the pit area no later than 5:00 pm day of the race. No late entries will be allowed. If your car arrives after 5:00 pm, you will be disqualified. Cars may not come onto the Wyoming State Fairgrounds any earlier than 1:00 pm.
3. All drivers must be 16 years of age or older and pit crew must be at least 12 years of age or older. Both Drivers and pit crew must sign the [Release, Waiver of Liability, and Indemnity Agreement](#) before entering the pit area.
4. Wristbands will be handed out in the pit area between 5:00 pm - 6:00 pm. No pit crew changes will be allowed after 5:00 pm on the day of the race.
5. Only the figure 8 car, one support vehicle, and one vehicle with a trailer will be allowed in the pit area. There is not an unloading ramp available. Be sure to make necessary arrangements to unload your own car.
6. Figure 8 cars must be removed from the Fairgrounds by 1:00 am following the race. Any driver leaving a car on the grounds after 1:00 am without prior permission will be fined \$500.

### **COMPETITION REGULATIONS:**

1. All Drivers must attend the "Drivers Meeting" to be held at 5:00 pm on the day of the race.
2. Drivers must wear a helmet and goggles or face shield to protect their eyes from flying debris kicked up by spinning wheels.
3. No car that is unsafe, as determined by the judges, shall be allowed into the arena.
4. Someone must remain with the car in the pit area until it is inspected by the judges and approved and all forms are signed. Once the car has been inspected, the judges will assign cars to heats.
5. Unsportsmanlike conduct may be grounds for disqualification for the present and future years.
6. No intentional hitting of the driver's side door will be allowed. You will be disqualified. There will be a judge placed in the arena to specifically enforce this rule.

7. Drivers must remain alert to signals by the field judges. Listen to air horns.
  - a. A black flag is a sign of disqualification.
  - b. A red flag is an emergency stop sign and all drivers must stop until signaled to continue.
  - c. A green flag is the sign indicating it is ok to go.
  - d. A yellow flag means slow down and no position changes.
8. Drivers are not allowed to leave their cars unless the car is turned over, on fire, or the driver is instructed to do so by Figure 8 officials.
9. Once the last qualifying heat ends, drivers have 10 minutes to be lined up for the first LCQ heat. From the time the last LCQ heat ends, drivers have 10 minutes to be lined up for the first semi-finals heat. From the time the last semi-final heat ends, drivers have 20 minutes to line up for the final heat.
10. Absolutely no switching cars for the semi-finals or winners' heat. You must compete with the same car in which you qualified.
11. The winner is determined by the first car to cross the finish line after a predetermined number of laps.
12. You will be disqualified for any of the following:
  - a) Intentionally hitting the driver's side door of another car.
  - b) Leaking gas.
  - c) Reckless driving.
  - d) Leaving the figure 8 course.
  - e) Sitting dead on the course.
  - f) Fire.
  - g) Intentionally leaving the figure 8 pattern to intentionally hit another car.
13. Drivers will complete 10 laps in all heats. The final heat will be 15 laps,
14. If you are pushed into the berm, the race will continue until at least two cars are stuck or there is a potentially dangerous situation or hazard on the track. At that time, the cars will stop where they are. The race will continue by a horn and green flag when the judges are ready and cars are back in place.
15. Each driver and pit crew will provide one person over the age of 16 to film each heat that his or her driver is in. This person will not change during the race without first talking to the judges. This is so if there are any discrepancies the person filming can present their argument to the judges. The car must be kept in the video at all times. If at any point the car is gone from view in the film, for an extended length of time, the video is null and void. The film can be from a video camera or a smart phone. Whatever device is used must take clear videos. If a race team can't provide someone to film, then they will not be allowed to make a protest or complaint about whether or not their driver made the correct amount of laps
16. Any protests or complaints will be taken to the field judges. All protests must be made immediately following the heat about which you are protesting. Any complaint must be made with \$100 cash. If judgment is awarded in favor of the judges, the complainant will not be reimbursed the \$100. If judgment is awarded in favor of the contestant, the \$100 will be reinstated to the contestant. All judges' decisions are final.
17. The Wyoming State Fair Board reserves the right to make any necessary changes in rules and will give as much advance notice as possible if that happens.
18. Through traffic in the pit area will also be closed off during race. No hot rodding in the pit.