Garden Tractor General rules:

- ALL drivers must be able to operate the tractor in a safe manner, be able to stop forward motion of their tractor at any given time with no assistance during their pull, from start flag to unhook. (Assistance can be given to hook the tractor, lock it in gear if needed, then the helper must leave the track before the green flag is given). Any driver may be required to perform a driving test at the discretion at any two (2) officials at any given time.
- 2. Drivers must have control of the tractor at all times. Chain must be tight before starting sled. NO jerking, bouncing, or shifting gears. When you are flagged, your pull is over. All drivers must obey the flagman. All tractors must be switched off or placed in neutral, throttle returned to idle and driver's hands placed in the air to signal track workers it is safe to hook or unhook tractor from the sled.
- 3. Driver only no riders while tractor is being driven or towed. No tractors are to be left unattended while running
- 4. Driver must wear a shirt, pants and close-toed shoes while pulling.
- 5. Driver must be seated with at least one hand on the steering wheel while tractor is in motion.
- 6. No smoking while pulling. No hot rodding on or off the track. Idle speed only while in pits.
- 7. All tractors not ready to hook when sled is spotted will be disqualified at the discretion of track official.
- 8. Each tractor may be entered only once in each class, with the exception of youth tractors.
- 9. No entries will be taken or refunded after the start of the class. Pulling position will be determined by track officials.
- 10. Any pull past the twenty-five feet (25') mark will be allowed to pull only one more attempt. Second attempt is final. Only one attempt is allowed in a pull off.
- 11. Any part of a tractor or sled going out of bounds, crossing the out of bounds line or puller being flagged for any reason will stop the pull at that point. The flagman will make these determinations and is the final authority.
- 12. All tractors must cross the scales for weight verification and check hitch height before pulling. All tractors will be kept in the staging area until after their pull.
- 13. The first official measured puller in each class has the option of accepting first pull or may decline and make a second pull. The first puller in each class will NOT lose their option in the event of a sled change or sled reweigh. First puller must have the legal pull before he can elect to decline. Driver must decline before sled is unhooked.
- 14. All tractors must have working brakes and safe seats, tip over (wheelie) bars and hitch. Wheelies bars shall extend no less than five (5) inches from back of rear tire and no more than five (5) inches from the ground. Hitch must be parallel to ground, stationary, with a 1 ½ inch opening not more than one inch from the back of the hitch and not exceed 13 inches from the ground. No balls or clevis. Big wheel class not to exceed fifteen(15) inches from the ground. Exhaust, if not stock, must be discharged vertically. Dual wheels, four-wheel drives and tire chains will not be allowed. All clutches must have shielding and all shielding must be in place. Hitches and kill switches must be easily accessible for hooking and unhooking.

- 15. All tractors must have a working kill switch on the rear of the tractor that will kill the engine and electric fuel pump if so equipped. Each switch should have at least a three inch diameter ring for connection.
- 16. Maximum length of tractor and weights cannot exceed eight feet (8') from the center of the rear axle to the farthest point forward. Maximum width of the tractor shall not exceed 72", maximum length of a tractor shall not exceed 56" axle to axle except for mini-rod.
- 17. All drivers must attend the driver's meeting before each pull. Drivers are responsible to know meeting details. No unsafe acts are permitted on the track or in the pits.
- 18. No portion of tractor shall interfere with sled or chain.
- 19. Tractor must maintain original appearance.
- 20. All drive belts or shafts shall be covered.
- 21. Seats must be securely attached and safe.
- 22. All mower decks will be removed.
- 23. Any tractor deemed to be unsafe by officials prior to pulling. Not inclusive of the above rules, may be disqualified and hook fee refunded.
- 24. Track officials reserve the right to modify rules for safety and health reasons at any time.
- 25. All tractors will have rear fenders, connected to the foot rest in the front to prevent driver's foot from coming into contact with tires.
- 26. All modified and super modified tractors are recommended to have a small fire extinguisher, but it is not required at this time.
- 27. Youth class: 12 years old and under at the beginning of the pulling season.(if you turn 13 years old during the pulling season, you do not have to move to the stock class during the same pulling season)
- 28. Electric fuel pump must be powered through kill switch.
- 29. If you are running alcohol, you are required to have an approved fire-proof suit, gloves, shoes, fire extinguisher and DOT helmet.
- 30. Tractors must be in neutral and must be pushed back to sled to hook.
- 31. Driver cannot unhook his own tractor.
- 32. We don't have to prove that you are illegal; you have to prove to us that you are legal.
- 33. Anyone caught cheating will lose points standing.
- 34. All weights must be securely attached to tractor, no weights laying in seats or on floorboards.