

Farmer's Steer & Ox Pull Rules

1. All teams are required to weigh in prior to the official start of the Farmer's Pull. At which time, teamsters must show proof of liability insurance of no less than \$300,000.00.
2. Breakdown of weight classes will be determined by the superintendent of the pull. Steers must weigh a minimum of 700lbs. (A suggestion is to ideally have 3 classes). Percentage of load to be determined by superintendent, however the weight of the draf is to be included.
3. All teams and teamsters have to be ready at announced time of the event. All classes are officially closed ½ hour before published pull time.
4. There will be light use of to get team started. When turning, a light use of the stick will be allowed. A light stick may be used if resting animals need to be prompted to restart. There will be light use of the stick during the actual pulling process.
5. A goad stick has to be wooden ONLY. They need to be no longer than four feet long and ½ inch in diameter on the small end of the stick. The stick may be tapered. No weighted sticks allowed. Chains must be covered up to the hook.
6. Teamsters may have one helper to hook the chain onto the drag. The helper may follow behind the drag. The helper is not allowed to have a stick. The helper must remain quiet during the pull.
7. Teams must remain hooked to the drag at all times. If unhooked intentionally, then the team will be pinned at the spot. That is a completed pull.
8. Time is to be limited to 3 minutes. Time will start when drag is moved.
9. When measuring, it must be in a straight line to the nearest point on the drag. The front of the drag must touch the line before making a turn. The drag should be turned more than ½ ways or the back of the drag must be over the line to get a full-line measure.
10. If a breakdown occurs, the teamster may take the distance they have pulled thus far, or they may go the end of the line and have a second try.
11. All teamsters are required to be dressed appropriately. They have to use proper language at all times. Any participant under the influence of alcohol or other substances will be disqualified. There is no drinking of any alcohol in or around the ring by any participant or the event.
12. Any animal that the superintendent feels is too thin or seems dehydrated will be disqualified. Animals with open sores or if they are lame will also be disqualified.
13. Any participants in the Farmer's Steer & Ox Pull must be show steer or oxen. Show steer or oxen are considered those that do farmers pulls only. Open teamsters or their team(s) are not allowed to pull in an open pull for a full calendar year (Jan 1 – Dec 31) before entering a farmer's pull. (Note: Open Powder Puff Pulls and Open Youth Pulls are considered Open Pulling). **No Open Pull teams or teamsters will be allowed to participate in the Farmer's Pull.**
14. The 25 foot rule will be in effect. Must pull at least 25 feet in one minute.
15. Men, women, and youth (no younger than 9 years of age as of Jan 1st of current year) will be eligible to pull in the Farmer's Pull.
16. There will be no halters, or ropes allowed on the steers or oxen in the ring. Animals must be under control at all times.
17. Running with a team will not be permitted.
18. Cattle should be clean and presentable.
19. Anyone who does not abide by these rules will be disqualified.
20. These rules adopted April 2009 by The Farmer's Steer & Ox Club.

FARMERS DRAFT HORSE PULL RULES

1. Shoes can have no more than ½ inch calks.
2. Minimum weight for farm pulls 1000 lbs. per horse.
3. No touch.
4. 3 min pull time
5. 1 ¼ to 1 ½ lb of rock per lb of horse depending on the condition of ring – to be set by superintendent.
6. Drag: use same drag that fair uses for open pull for Draft Horses.
7. To be eligible for farm pull, neither the teamster nor the horses can have pulled in an open pull in that season.
8. Only one helper will be allowed to handle the evener to hitch the team to the drag.
9. These rules in addition to Maine Pulling Rules for open pulling of horses or ponies.

FARMER'S STEER & OXEN PULL

Saturday July 17th, 2010
Held in the Pulling Ring
Coordinator: Hartley Millett

Arrive through gate #2. Weigh-in is at 4:00pm. Pull begins at 6:00pm.
There will be two lots providing substantial entries available. Lots will be divided according to weights of teams registered. No professional pullers allowed. Teamster may have assistant to help hook to drag. The pulling superintendent may disqualify any team he feels is unfit or unsafe. Time starts when team begins to pull. 3 minute time limit. Proof of Rabies Vaccine and Certificate of Insurance must be shown. Please review complete Rules for Farmer's Pull. Thank You

(1) 2400 and under class (2) 2401 and over class

Pull is ½ lb of rock to lb of steer or oxen

1st \$60 2nd \$55 3rd \$50 4th \$45 5th \$40 6th \$35 7th \$30 8th \$25

FARMER'S DRAFT HORSE PULL

Friday July 16th, 2010
Held in the Pulling Ring
Coordinator: Ron Hill

Arrive through gate #2. Weigh-in is at 5:00pm. No professional pullers allowed. One helper will be allowed to help hitch. The superintendent may disqualify any team he feels is unfit or unsafe.

Pull is 1 ½ lb of rock to lb of Draft Horse Team.

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Powder Puff Pull

1st \$40 2nd \$30 3rd \$20 4th \$10