

Racer Packet - 2012 PDX Adult Soapbox Derby

It's soon DERBY TIME!! Enclosed are the rules and registration requirements for 2012. The PDX Adult Soapbox Derby application process is currently paperless for the second year in a row. There have been some changes to the requirements this year so please read the entire package thoroughly.

Events to note on your calendar: There will be a volunteer invasive weed clearing event at Mt. Tabor Park Saturday, August 4th at 8 AM - 12 PM in an effort to maintain safe spectator viewing areas in the learning curve and help keep us in good standings in the eyes in the community. We will also be hosting a volunteer appreciation party Saturday, June 9th for those that worked hard helping out last year.

Required meetings: (Locations TBD)

At least one team member must attend at least one Racer safety meeting!

Racer Safety meeting:

Sunday, August 5th @ 3:00 pm

Monday, August 6th @ 6:00 pm

Volunteer Meetings:

Sunday, July 29th @ 3:00 pm

Monday, July 30th @ 6:00 pm

Registration

Qualifying begins on January 15, 2012 and is **REQUIRED** for all teams wishing to participate in the 2012 PDX Adult Soapbox Derby. The date of the Saturday's summer derby will be announced on January 15th.

The application deadline is April 14, 2012 at 11:59PM. All teams must submit a completed application including a rough sketch of your proposed derby car.

An objective panel will review all team applications and select teams to be invited to participate in the derby based on originality, creativity and experience noted on your application. Experience does not just mean soapbox derby.

Teams that make it through the qualifying round will be invited to the final derby registration event on April 28, 2012 at 7AM. The location of the registration event will be revealed only to those teams invited to the final registration.

Registration is handled on a first come, first come first served basis where you will draw your car number from a hat.

If your team is invited to the Final Registration, please be aware of the following:

- Do not show up before 5 AM otherwise you may be asked to leave.
- You must pay a non-refundable \$200 (Cash or Check) entry fee upon registration
- Your paperwork and volunteer info must be submitted by the April 14th deadline and **no car or team name changes are allowed after registration.**
- During race day vehicle inspection each team member must authorize the waiver and then pick up your racer lanyard from the Pit Boss.
- After all the spots are filled, there will be a waiting list. You must have been selected to register to be on the waiting list. (Every year we get most of the way down the waiting list, so don't despair. If you are on the waiting list and you are invited to race be prepared to pay the registration fee in cash on site.)

We hope paperless registration will go smoothly for you. You will be able to log in to the process with a password, save and edit your paperwork until you authenticate prior to sending. Take your time and let the creative juices flow.

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Race Rules

- All participants must be **21** years of age or older. The teams can be up to five members and a volunteer who is not allowed to race.
- All Drivers must pre stage, be in their car and ready at the starting line.
- All cars get a ten-yard push start. Each team must provide their own designated pusher. Pushers who step over the ten-yard foul line will disqualify their car for that run.
- No more than **3 (three)** people are allowed in a car while racing. The designated **1 (one)** pusher may not be a racer, driver, or otherwise jump onto the car.
- No contact with other cars is allowed in the ten yard push zone, or within line of sight of the finish line – ANY CAR MAKING CONTACT IN THESE ZONES WILL BE PENALIZED OR DISQUALIFIED FROM THE EVENT AT THE SOLE DISCRETION OF THE ORGANIZERS.
- Score will be kept by averaging your two best race times. If you fail to make a race or are disqualified from a race your time will be entered as three minutes (3:00).
- No pyrotechnics, fire, or fireworks are allowed in the park or as part of any car.
- Liquid water is the only acceptable weapon or projectile that may be deployed from or against any car (water balloons are acceptable). **“We advise no water projectiles at the start line until outside of the 10 yard push zone!” Please take our electronic equipment, your /others pushers foot traction into consideration.**
- **EACH TEAM MUST DESIGNATE A DRIVER OR DRIVERS WHO WILL REMAIN SOBER UNTIL YOUR CAR IS NO LONGER RACING.**
- All participants must help keep the park clean – this means policing for trash, water balloon shrapnel and etc. You throw it you help pick it up! If you cannot help you will be your last race. **We are “all” out of the Park by 6 PM!!.**

Safety Rules

- Each person in the car must have a helmet that is secured to his or her head by a strap or other reasonable means. **Full-face helmets are recommended.**
- All drivers, racers and volunteer members must sign a liability waiver on race day.
- IF YOU DON'T HAVE A HELMET OR YOU FAIL TO SIGN THE WAIVER YOU WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RACE.

Derby Car Rules

- The car must have a minimum of three (3) wheels in contact with the track.
- The car must be powered solely by gravity (no kinetics, no wind - no propulsion).
- The car must have functional brakes (no Fred Flintstone brakes).
- You may not spend more than \$300 on your car.
- The car may not be wider than 5 feet.
- The car may not be longer than 12 feet.
- The car may not weigh more than 500 lbs.
- The car must have a large eyebolt positioned in the front and rear to allow it to be towed back up the hill – make it sturdy. Cars get strung together on the trip up the hill, so be prepared to have another car tied to the back of yours.
- The car must have your car number on the front and right side of the car, large and easy to read.
- The car must have an audible horn.
- Luge boards, skateboards, or similar vehicles do not qualify as a car. The car must have a **body** to qualify as a soapbox derby car.
- **YOUR CAR WILL BE INSPECTED AND HELD TO A “WORKMANLIKE” STANDARD. CARS THAT APPEAR UNSAFE OR CARS IN VIOLATION OF THESE RULES WILL NOT BE ALLOWED TO RACE AND IS UP TO THE DISCRETION OF THE PIT BOSS!**

Alcohol Rules

You may bring your own beer and wine! BUT . . .

- NO KEGS! Cans and bottles are fine.
- NO BOOZE! Parks does not permit hard liquor. Drink your vodka later on.
- Keep your beers in the “Beer Gardens” – The VIP Beer Garden and the “Pits.”

Park Rules

Remember that Mt. Tabor is a public park, and the future of the Derby relies on leaving a good impression with the Neighborhood, the City, and other Park users.

- Do not lock or chain bikes to any of the reservoir fences.
- Pick up your trash and don't pee in the bushes!
- No motor vehicles allowed on the course unless the vehicle possesses a permit and is working for the event!
- The Organizers do not suggest or authorize any pre race test runs in Mt. Tabor Park. Keep us in good standings in the eyes of the Community and **please** do your test runs elsewhere!

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Race Day Basics

When is the Derby?

The Derby will be announced the first quarter of 2012.

Start

The races will start promptly at 10:00 AM. Cars must be on-site no later than 8:30 AM. **From 5:30 AM - 6:30 AM the upper summit parking lot (Pits) must be kept clear for the set up crews during this time. Do not block the upper and lower summit gates or the traffic flow while you unload.** Do not check-in before 6:30 AM; go through safety check, etc. If you wish to test the course before the races, we will be allowing warm up runs between 8:30 and 9:30 on race day. We will **not** be providing any towing during the warm up period, and we will be closing the track at 9:30 for a safety check.

Timing

Each car will be allowed three (3) runs during the "Prelims". Each prelim race you will receive a time. If you fail to make a race for whatever reason, you will receive a time of three minutes (3:00). The races will be lane seeded and your two best Prelim times will be averaged together to produce your Final Prelim Time. The twenty one (21) cars with the best Final Prelim Times will advance to the "Semis". The nine (9) cars with the fastest Semis times will then advance to the "Quarter Finals." The fastest three (3) final cars will participate in the "Championship". The fastest of these cars will be declared the winner. (Of course EVERYBODY is a winner, and awards will also be given in a few various "creative" categories.)

Safety

Our goal is to enjoy an accident-free event!

- Every team Captain will be responsible for their derby car and all their teammates' actions.
- All drivers must remain in control of their team's car at all times.
- In the event a derby car suffers from a malfunction or equipment failure that renders the car unable to complete the race, the driver must remove the car from the course and leave the car until race staff directs the driver to remove the car.
- This event is open to the public. Racer and spectator safety is our responsibility and we "all" are required to insure safety.

Volunteers

Each team MUST provide one (1) volunteer. It shall be the team Captains responsibility to keep their volunteer informed of the volunteer packet and meeting dates. Each volunteer is required to work as a Course Marshall and/or provide track safety, traffic control assistance and cannot participate in the race at any time. **Remember that this event will not happen without Volunteers so; safety and the future of this annual event may depend on it. Pick a person who is authoritative, communicates well with people and hopefully chooses to drink later at the after party. The volunteer requirements will involve set up and/or breakdown duties depending the track safety shifts that can be AM or PM. Or all day is recommended with an hour lunch break. The more people on the course the better. Your team will not be allowed to race if your volunteer is not accounted for. We must all out of the Park no later than 7 PM.**

End of the Day

The upper summit parking lot (Pits) must be clear for the clean up crews and traffic flow at all times. Do not block the upper and lower summit gates or the traffic flow as you load out.

Team Application - 2012 PDX Adult Soapbox Derby

Team Name / Car Name _____

Team Captains Name _____

Email _____

Telephone _____

Shirt Size _____

Team mates names (up to four team members. Include 1st member in the chain of commands phone number and email address.) (include shirt size if team members want to purchase a shirt)

How many will be riding in the car at a time _____

Years Racing Soapbox Derbies _____

Art or Science (**select one**) _____

Team Biography or other relevant story in less than 100 words.

Describe your teams experience & history in less than 100 words. (Does not only apply to Soapbox Derby.)

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Volunteer Positions

100+ Volunteers Fuel this PDX showdown!

Below are the positions available for our volunteers. It is important to have volunteer commitments before July in order to have a smooth race day. Positions will be available on a first come first serve basis. Please choose a 1st, 2nd and 3rd preference.

There is a lot of information here so please read carefully to understand the positions you are signing up for. The numbers in **RED** are the number of volunteers needed for that position.

1 - Pre and post race day.

Pick up **Delineator Cones, Traffic and "No Parking" Signs** the day before the derby from American Barricade on Columbia Blvd, race day set up (5 AM). Race day break down (4 PM) and a Monday return. Meet crew at finish line gate and pick up vehicle permit at **5 AM & 4 PM**. (Salmon St. entrance)
Flat bed truck or trailer recommended.

1 - Pre and post race day.

Pick up **crash barrier tires** the day before the derby from Les Schwab @ 30th and NE Sandy Blvd. Deliver tires to the finish line and then lay out the trash receptacles and extra tires as needed on the course on race day. Race day set up (5:30 AM). Race day breakdown (4 PM) drop trash receptacles at the finish line and return crash barrier tires on the way to the after party. Meet crew at finish line gate and pick up vehicle permit at **5:30 AM** (Salmon St. entrance) & then the pits at **4 PM**.
Full Size Pickup Truck with lumber rack recommended.

15 – All Day Course Marshalls

Yes these are the ones with the megaphones! If you are loud, funny and not afraid to put people in their place then this is the job for you!
7:30 AM – 4 PM. Check in at the PITS 1 hour break at noon. Must be in position by 8:15 for test runs. This is an important position so please only sign up for this if you are committed to working hard all day!

23 – AM Course Safety/Race Staff (this position includes a set up job, choose 1 from below)

Check in at the PITS at 8:00 AM after your set up job

*You will need to check in by **8:00 AM** after your set up job at this time you will be assigned your on track position. Everyone must be in position on the track at **9:30 AM** for safety check, races start at **10:00 AM**.*

Choose **ONE** set up job from the list below:

- **3 - 5:30 AM. "No Parking" Signs & Delineator Cone set up.** (Meet at the Salmon Street entrance) *Job will last about an hour.*
- **2 - 5:00 AM. Crash Barrier tire set up and garbage receptacles lay out.** (Meet at the Salmon Street entrance) *Job will last about an hour.*
- **9 - 5:30 AM. Set up of crash barrier straw bales.** (Meet at the Pits) *This job lasts about an hour.*
- **10 - 7:00 AM Course set up.** (Meet at the Pits) Signage, Danger Tape and the trash/recycling receptacles. *This job takes about an hour.*

23 - PM Course Safety/Race Staff (this position includes a clean up job, choose 1 from below)

11:30 AM – 6:00 PM (Meet at the Pits at 11:30 am)

This position includes one of the following clean up jobs, which you will do after your on-track shift.

Choose **ONE** clean up job from the list below:

- **3 - 3:30 PM** “No Parking” signs & Delineator Cones break down. **Leave the track at 3:30 and meet at the Pits**
- **9 - 3:30 PM** Straw bale break down.
Leave the track at 3:30 and meet at the Pits
- **2 - 4 PM** Crash barrier tire break down. Assist driver by picking up all broken down garbage/recycling receptacles and drop at the finish line. Pick up tires and drop off at Les Schwab on 30th and Sandy on your way to the after party. **Leave the track at 3:30 and meet at the Pits**
- **10 - 4 PM** Course clean up.
Sweep up debris and pick up litter from course and Park grounds. Break down garbage receptacles for pick up. Assist drivers by loading garbage/recycling into their trucks as needed.
Leave the track at 3:30 and meet at the Pits
- **1 - 4 PM** Garbage pick up and drop in our designated containers. **Full size pickup recommended.**
- **1 - 4 PM** Recycling pick up and drop in our designated containers. **Full size pickup recommended.**

Note: All volunteers must sign the derby’s participant waiver upon check in on race day. When you check in at the PITS you will be going to the info booth, from there you will be directed to your group.

Please don’t forget to include your T-shirt size. This helps us to save time on race day and to make sure each volunteer gets a T-shirt in the right size!!

The goal is that we leave the park better than we found it before the event!

Track volunteers will help to set up Poker Race Cards for the Grand Finale. When Finale race is over please remove all the signage, danger tape and poker cards from the course adjacent to your area. Return cards and equipment to the pits. Recycle debris in the appropriate containers and/or perform one of the clean up jobs below.

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Team/Car Name

Volunteer

Name:

Phone:

E-mail:

Shirt Size:

Volunteer Preferences (select a few fun boxes)

90+ Volunteers Fuel this PDX showdown!

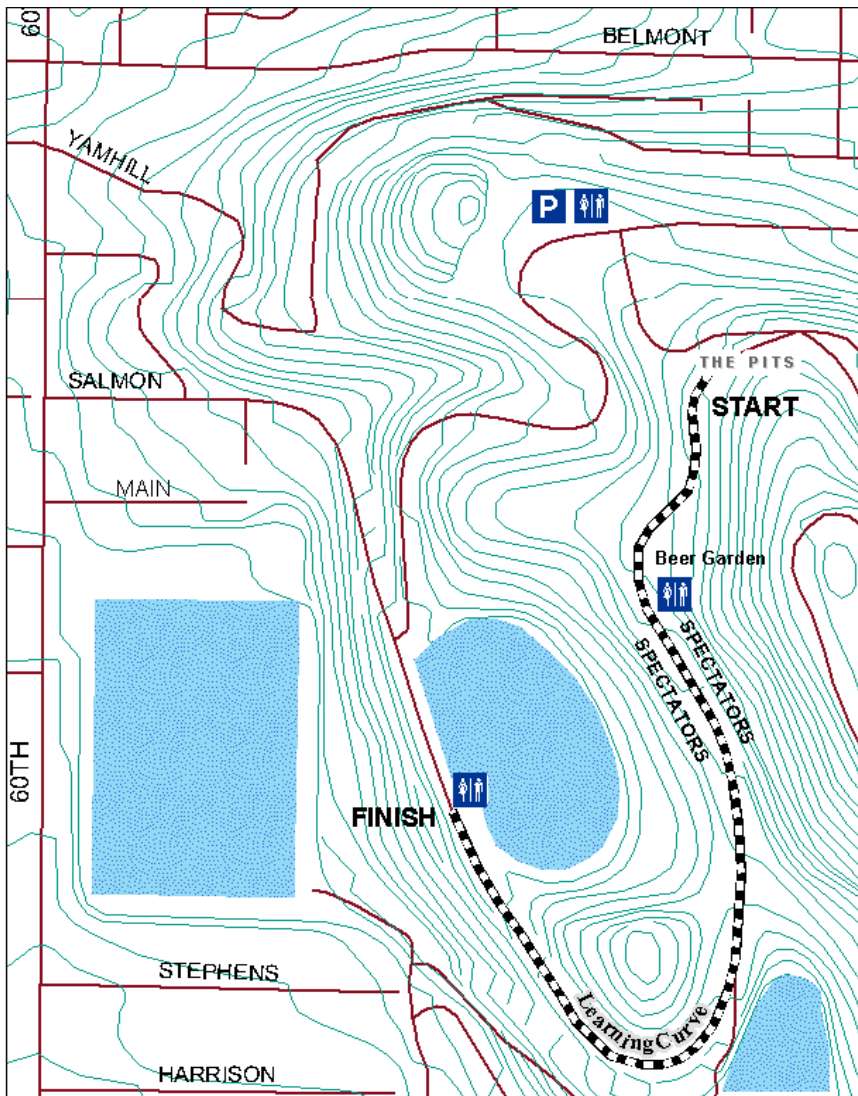
Subject to first come first serve registration. Numbers may not reflect which positions are available. Please choose by 1st, 2nd or 3rd choice.

TASKS	# of positions and check in details
<p style="text-align: center;">Pre and post race day</p> <p>1. Delineator Cones and "No Parking" Signs. Friday pick up, Saturday race day set up (6 AM). Race day break down (4 PM) and Monday return. Flat bed truck or trailer recommended.</p> <p>2. Crash barrier tire pick up the day before, race day set up (6 AM) and garbage/recycle receptacle lay out from the pits to the finish. Race day garbage/recycle receptacle collection (4 PM). Drop receptacles at the finish line. Crash Barrier Tire break down and drop off on your way to the after party. Full size pick up truck with lumber rack recommended.</p>	<p>1 - Driver - Meet crew at finish line gate and pick up vehicle permit at 5:30 AM & 4:00 PM. (Salmon St. entrance)</p> <p>1 - Driver - Meet crew at finish line gate and pick up vehicle permit at 5:30 AM (Salmon St.</p>

	entrance) & then the pits at 4 PM.
<p style="text-align: center;">6 AM Early Morning Set Up</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. Straw Bale set up. 2. Course set up: Danger tape, signage and garbage/recycle receptacles. 3. “ No Parking” signs, traffic sign and Delineator Cone set up. 4. Crash barrier tire set up and garbage/recycle receptacle lay out. 	<p>9 - 5:30 Check in at the pits</p> <p>6 - 7:00 Check in at the pits</p> <p>3 - Helpers 5:30 AM check in at the finish line gate. Salmon Street entrance.</p> <p>2 - Helpers 5:30 AM check in at the finish line gate. Salmon Street entrance.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Race Staff</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. All Day Course Safety 8 AM – 4 PM 1 Hour break at noon 2. AM Course Safety Assistants 9 AM – 1 PM 3. PM Course Safety Assistants 12 PM – 4PM 4. Race Timing Assistants 5. Towing Assistants 6. 1PM Afternoon Trash/Recycling Nazis 	<p>15 - 7:30 AM check in at the pits</p> <p>15 - 8:30 AM check in at the pits</p> <p>15 - 11:30 AM check in at the pits</p> <p>3 - 8 AM check in in the pits</p> <p>4 - 9 AM check in at the pits</p> <p>3- 12:30 check in at the pits</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">End of day break down</p> <ol style="list-style-type: none"> 1. 4 PM Breakdown Army 2. 4 PM Broom Brigade 3. 4 PM Straw Bale Breakdown 4. 4 PM Trash/Recycling Nazis 5. 4 PM “No Parking” sign, traffic sign and delineator cone break down 6. 4 PM Garbage/Recycle container pick up, drop containers at the finish line, load all crash barrier tires and drop at Les Schwab on the way to the after party. 	<p>4 - 3:30 check in at the pits</p> <p>6 - 3:30 check in at the pits</p> <p>9 - 3:30 check in at the pits</p> <p>6 - 3:30 check in at the pits</p>

<p>7. 4 PM Garbage pick up and drop in our designated containers. Full size pickup recommended.</p> <p>8. 4 PM Recycling pick up and drop in our designated containers. Full size pickup recommended.</p>	<p>3 - 3:30 check in at the finish line gate</p> <p>2 - 3:30 check in at the pits</p> <p>1 - 3:30 check in at the pits and pick up vehicle permit.</p> <p>1 - 3:30 check in at the pits and pick up vehicle permit.</p>
<p style="text-align: center;">Handyman/Tool Maven</p> <p>Must be able to provide brooms, basic hand tools, wrenches and/or leaf blowers to help facilitate set up, clean up and break down as needed.</p>	<p>2 - All Day</p>
<p>I really, really want to . . . (no guarantees but go ahead and tell us)</p>	
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Course Map - 2012 PDX Adult Soapbox Derby



- Help us keep all spectators OFF THE TRACK!!
- DO NOT park along roadways!!
- The outside of the Learning Curve is CLOSED to all spectators!!
- BEER must remain in the Beer Gardens!!
- Please pick up and pack out your TRASH!!