

2026 BREMER COUNTY FAIR

TUFF TRUCK & CAR RULES

1. **Registration will be from 3pm to 5:30 pm on August 1st, 2026.** Each entrant will be allowed two pit parking spaces in the pit area on August 1st, 2026 (one for tow unit and one for pit crew members) Vehicles without pit parking passes will not be allowed to park in the pit area.
2. Registration fee will be \$20.00 payable to "Bremer County Fair Association" per vehicle and that amount is required with your registration form. Vehicles will be divided into three divisions; Cars will be in a class by themselves. Trucks, minivans, jeeps and SUVs will be divided into two classes based on wheelbase. (Short Wheel Base vehicles are those under 115 inch wheelbase and Long WheelBase vehicles are 115 inch wheelbase and over. Based on the entries we receive, this wheelbase division point may be adjusted to split the classes evenly to have two classes of 32 vehicles in each class to allow for even classes with the goal that you will run against evenly matched vehicles.)
3. Driver and 2 pit crew members must be at least 18 years old or at least 16 years old and have a minor release form signed by parent or guardian. Each vehicle may only be entered into competition 1 time per event. Each driver may enter only 1 time per class. Driver must have a valid state driver's license. **1 Pit crew member must walk 10 feet in front of the vehicle when it is being driven or moving in the pits. Any deviation from this will be cause for immediate disqualification.** (All individuals will be charged an admission fee to enter the event at the pit gate)
4. All contestants and pit crew members must sign a waiver understanding that they are competing at their own risk and that they will not bring suit against any officials, employees, event sponsors or the Bremer County Fair Association. By signing the release form you agree to all rules set forth.
5. Bremer County Fair officials have the right to approve or reject any or all entry applications.
6. All vehicles must pass tech inspection before competing. If the officials determine a vehicle is unsafe, the officials have the right to not allow the vehicle to compete. The vehicle does not need a current inspection sticker, license or insurance. The vehicle must be in the same physical condition as at the time it was last inspected by our Bremer County Fair track officials to compete. **TECH INSPECTION AREA CLOSSES ONE HOUR BEFORE SESSION IS SCHEDULED TO START.**
7. All drivers must attend the driver's meeting 30 minutes prior to the event unless approved by the Competition Director.
8. A vehicle may be disqualified for either emotional or physical reasons by Competition Director or track officials. Example: Drugs or drinking alcoholic beverages. (Any driver or any of his or her pit crew consuming an intoxicating agent, and/or drugs, prior to or during the event will be disqualified from the event. Drivers will be held responsible for the actions of their crew).
9. If any vehicle and/or driver is disqualified for any reason, no payout of prize winnings will occur for that competitor.
10. Competition vehicles must be operated in a safe manner before, during and after the event while on the fairgrounds. **1 Pit crew member must walk 10 feet in front of the vehicle when it is being driven or moving in the pits. Any deviation from this will be cause for immediate disqualification.** Track officials have the right to stop and disqualify any vehicle being operated in a reckless manner. Pit and staging areas speed limit is 3 M.P.H. Noncompliance will result in loss of any prize money.

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11. Competitors must wait for the starting signal from the Starter Flagman before starting their runs. If the competitor jumps the start, they are disqualified. All competitors must stop immediately upon signal of the Red Flag displayed by any track official.
12. Only the driver will be allowed in the vehicle when it is being towed or driven in the pit area, staging area, or track. No riders in or on any vehicle while in the pit area, staging area, or in the track area.
13. When a Competition vehicle's engine is running, a competent driver must be in the driver's seat. No exceptions. **Automatic disqualification for violation.**
14. Track officials will have the option to check competitor's vehicles for rule violations at any time; prior to, during, or after the event.
15. Track officials will have the option to require any part of the competition vehicle be disassembled by the driver and his pit crew for any inspection requested or required.
16. Any touching, or movement of the road cones in the turn around area of the track is an immediate disqualification.
17. No one is allowed on the track except for track officials and contestants.
18. Fuel: Pump gas, or diesel only.
19. Battery needs to be securely mounted with a non conductive cover, or battery box. If battery is in non stock location it needs to be in a non conductive battery box
20. Seat belts (both lap belts and shoulder strap) required and must be worn.
21. All vehicles must have a 4-wheel braking system in good working condition. No individual wheel brakes allowed.
22. No profanity or anything considered inappropriate will be displayed in or on the vehicle. If seen while competing, the vehicle will be disqualified with loss of any prize money. Driver is responsible for monitoring their vehicle.
23. All open body, removable, fiberglass or soft top vehicles must have at least a roll bar substantial enough to support the weight of the vehicle in the event of a roll over. Roll bars are recommended in all vehicles in competition. Any vehicle with the windshield removed must have something installed in its place to protect the driver from flying stones and debris. Example: hardware cloth, plexiglass stretch metal. etc. Driver side windows or driver nets should be utilized to protect from injury during the event.
24. Drivers must wear D.O.T. approved full-face helmet. Helmet strap must be fastened. Drivers must wear long pants and long sleeve shirts. No open footwear allowed. **Drivers must use a SFI neck collar or similar during the event. No rolled up shirts, towels or anything else will be allowed as neck collars. This is mandatory and will be checked at inspection.** Fire retardant jackets and pants, shoes and gloves are HIGHLY recommended.
25. Vehicles must have an original firewall and floor in the original location. The only holes allowed in the floor or firewall will be for brakes, clutch, or transmission controls and wiring.
26. Tires must have D.O.T. approved number. Maximum tire height is 35 inches. O.E.M. type wheels are required, maximum wheel width 10". No cutting of tire tread allowed. Hubcap or wheel covers must be removed before competing. No split rims allowed.
27. No loose objects in the cab or any place else in the vehicle. Any ballast must be securely mounted.
28. Engine must be in its original location as intended by the manufacturer. (NO REAR ENGINE VEHICLES, NO MID ENGINE VEHICLES). Engines must be the same as came in the vehicle and in the original location. (Original engine location means just that, engine cannot be moved up,

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down, forward or backward from the manufactured original location). Motor mounts can be strengthened.

29. Body, hood, bed, fenders and wheelbase must meet O.E.M. specifications. Pick-up trucks must have OEM bed, or flat bed.
Flat beds must be street legal for Iowa. All pick-up truck beds must be firmly attached to the chassis. Tailgates must be securely fastened or removed. If the hood is bolted down, there must be a hole in the hood that measures at least 8" in diameter above the carburetor. If the hood becomes dislodged and is blocking the vision of the driver during the event, the vehicle must stop at that location. Any deviation from this is cause for disqualification.
30. Very minimal modifications to increase horsepower are allowed. "Made for racing" or high performance engine parts will not be permitted. Stock factory O.E.M. engine components (carburetor, intake manifold, distributor, rocker arms, camshaft, pistons, crankshaft, etc.) or limited performance aftermarket replacements are allowed. Track officials will have the option to check engines for rule violations at any time during the event. If you have questions, please contact the Head Tech Official.
31. All contestants are responsible for disabling all airbags in their vehicle if so equipped.
32. Headers and open exhaust permitted. Any turbo charged motor must have 3/8" cross bolts at 90 degrees to each other within 6 inches of each other.
33. Radiator must be in its original location. All engine fans must be shrouded. Radiator overflow hoses must point downward.
34. Must be stock factory suspension, O.E.M. replacement or equivalent. Original front shock must remain mounted in the original location. Aftermarket lift kits will be allowed (Max. lift 4"). Length of suspension travel cannot be increased except to accommodate a lift kit. Rear shocks must be mounted at original locations. All suspension components must be in good working condition. Racing suspension components will not be allowed, call the Head Tech Official if you have any questions.
35. It is highly recommended that all vehicles have some form of safety strap to hold up the front portion of the driveshaft in case of failure. The safety strap must be securely mounted with chain or cable (min 1/4"), or steel strapping.
36. Fuel tanks- Stock fuel tanks in stock locations are highly recommended. Approved fuel tanks (racing fuel cell) may be relocated in the bed of pick-up trucks and must be securely mounted. No fuel tanks or fuel lines allowed inside of the vehicle unless they are factory installed or they meet the following regulations.
 - a. Approved fuel cell is used and it is located in the rear most location in the vehicle.
 - b. The fuel cell must be enclosed in a steel containment box manufactured by the fuel cell builder and securely mounted.
 - c. All fuel lines must be the braided steel type lines with the proper connection fittings and be immediately routed through the floor of the vehicle.
37. Frames – Must be complete original frame rails and cross members at original locations. Cutting frame rails and cross members to lighten the vehicle is not permitted. Frames can be repaired for rust damage. No excessive frame reinforcement allowed. Any frame reinforcement must be approved by the Tech Official.
38. Tow hooks or loops may be added to vehicles to aid in pull off from track in the case of a breakdown. This is optional.

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39. Artificial smoke devices are NOT allowed on the vehicle, the use of which anytime during or after the event will result in disqualification and loss of any prize money.
40. Verbal or physical abuse towards any track official will result in automatic disqualification.
41. Contest will be governed by track officials and the Competition Director with all decisions final.
42. The Competition Director reserves the right to change any safety rules if they feel it is necessary.
43. The rules and/or regulations set forth herein are designed to provide for the orderly conduct of competition events and to establish minimum acceptable requirements for such events. These rules shall govern the condition of all events, and, by participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have complied with these rules. NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM PUBLICATIONS OF OR COMPLIANCE WITH THESE RULES AND/OR REGULATIONS. They are intended as a guide for the conduct of the sport and are in no way a guarantee against injury or death to a participant, spectator, or official. The Competition Director shall be empowered to permit minor deviations from any of the specifications herein or impose any further restrictions that in his opinion do not alter the minimum acceptable requirements. NO EXPRESSED OR IMPLIED WARRANTY OF SAFETY SHALL RESULT FROM SUCH ALTERATION OF SPECIFICATIONS. Any interpretation or deviation of these rules is left to the discretion of the officials. Their decision is final.
44. Purse for the event will be as follows:

\$500 1st Place – Long Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$350 2nd Place – Long Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$200 3rd Place – Long Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$100 4th Place – Long Wheel Base Vehicle Class

\$500 1st Place – Short Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$350 2nd Place – Short Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$200 3rd Place – Short Wheel Base Vehicle Class
\$100 4th Place – Short Wheel Base Vehicle Class

\$500 1st Place – Car Vehicle Class
\$350 2nd Place – Car Vehicle Class
\$200 3rd Place – Car Vehicle Class
\$100 4th Place – Car Vehicle Class

Payout can be picked up from the announcer stand immediately after the event. any checks not picked up at this time will be mailed to the winners.

The Bremer County Fair Board Association reserves the right to alter the payout based on the number of participants.

Head Tech Official -- Jayson Hoppenworth 319-240-7580

Competition Director -- Josh Gilbert 319-231-5186

Entry form & Minor Release & Consent form are on PAGE 5

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(Fill out and mail promptly. Please Print)

Show Date: Saturday, August 1st - 6:30 pm. Entries limited

Location - Bremer County Fairgrounds, Waverly IA.

Drivers Name _____ Age _____ Phone _____

Street Address _____

City, State, Zip _____

Vehicle Description (Year, Make, Model) _____

Wheelbase of Vehicle _____

I have read the rules and accept the decision of the Judges as final and elect to use the ground or track in the present condition. I agree to have my vehicle at the race area and sign in at the registration desk at least two hours prior to show time.

Entry Fee \$20.00 to accompany entry. Signed _____

Date _____

2026 MINOR RELEASE & CONSENT FORM

State of _____ County of _____

I _____ being the parent and/or Legal guardian of hereby consent to permit _____ to enter and/or participate in the Bremer County Tuff Truck or Car competition being held at the Bremer County Fairgrounds and that said minor is under 18 but is at least 16 on the day this Tuff truck event is to be held.

Namely, age _____ and that I hereby expressly release both the producer and sponsor and all of their associates for any injuries of any kind or nature which may occur or be received as a result of said minor's participation in said Event and I hereby expressly waive all claim for injuries that may occur should said minor be injured while being a contestant in said contest.

Parents and/or Legal Guardian. _____
and sworn to me this _____ day of _____ 2026

Subscribed

Notary Public _____

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