



Waterford Pumpkin Festival
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October 13 – 15, 2017 - Celebrating 35 Years of Pumpkinfest!

Soap Box Derby 2017 JUNIOR & SENIOR DIVISION

General Rules:

1. Derby is open to all children ages 6 to 14 inclusive. Junior division is age 6-10, senior division is age 11-14.
2. All racers must be **registered and ready to race by 11:00 a.m.** on race day.
3. Soap box cars are to be made by the racer, with assistance from a parent – not the other way around.

Soap box cars are to be made to the following specifications:

1. Wheels cannot have bearings and can be no larger than 13" diameter.
2. Cars can have a maximum length of 4 feet (Junior division) or 5 feet (Senior division). Cars should be about 3 feet in width.
3. Cars must be equipped with a functioning brake – hand or foot controlled. Car operator **cannot** use their own foot on the pavement to stop their car.
4. Cars should be constructed mainly of wood – use of steel is limited to mechanical controls only.
5. **Helmet of some sort (bicycle, motocross, hockey) is mandatory.** Racing gloves and fire suit optional.
6. Parents are to help lift cars onto ramp for race. Please keep this in mind when deciding how heavy to make the car.
7. Racers will be assigned race numbers on the day of the race – no exceptions. Race numbers will be affixed to the car and driver on race day.
8. Cars will be inspected at time of registration.
9. Racers must know how to use brakes. Brakes must be able to stop car if needed, especially when over the finish line. Any unsafe cars will be disqualified. Decisions of officials are **FINAL**.



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All racers must be registered and ready to race by 11:00 a.m.

Each racer per division will be called to the starting line to race a minimum of 3 heats. Heats will be raced alternately. All juniors to race first heat followed by all seniors in first heat, then juniors' second heat, and seniors' second heat, and so on until all racers have completed 3 heats.

Racers will line up alongside the starter ramp as instructed, well before their race is to begin.

Each heat will be timed with the time for each car recorded. If the racer crashes or wipes out, the racer must push the car over the finish line under his/her own power to stop the clock. Failure to complete 3 heats will disqualify you from the final.

After each heat, the competing racers are to move their cars to the outside edge of the roadway at the end of the track, and stay with their car until the entire field has raced. When prompted by race officials, the racers will push their car back up the hill to the start. **Racers cannot bring their cars up the hill anytime during racing.** Failure to comply will result in disqualification. Any repairs or modifications can be made at the end of the track if desired, or at the top of the hill while the other division is racing.

Upon completion of the 3 heats, all times will be tallied.

The third fastest accumulated time will be declared the third place winner.

The first and second fastest accumulated times over the 3 heats will race one final heat, the first car over the finish line declared the first place winner, and the other declared the second place winner. The driver with the fastest declared heat time will be offered lane preference for the final heat.

Prizes will be awarded to First place, Second place, and Third place in each division, as well as 1 Best Decorated, and 1 Second Best Decorated for both divisions combined.



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JUNIOR & SENIOR DIVISION REGISTRATION FORM

To: Waterford Pumpkinfest (present at registration table on race day)

In consideration of your accepting my child's registration, I for myself, my heirs, administrators and assign waive and release any and all rights and claims for damages I now have or hereafter have against the above organization, organizers and any association or sponsor connected with this event or town in which they may participate, their representatives, successors and assigns or any and all injuries suffered by my Son/Daughter while taking part in the activities. Furthermore, I hereby grant permission to Waterford Pumpkinfest to publish name and/or photos of said Son/Daughter in print media and organization publications.

Name: (please print) _____ **Age:** _____

Address: _____ **Phone:** _____

Signature: _____ **Date:** _____
 Parent or guardian if under 18 years

Please bring completed form, signed, to the race at St. James St. South, on Sunday, October 15, 2017. Registration starts at 10:00am and ends at 10:45am (Junior and Senior Division). Best decorated prizes will be judged at 11:00am, and will be awarded after racing has completed.

LATE REGISTRATIONS WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED

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