

Tri-State Vintage DIRT Series Rules for 2024

These rules are a “living” set of rules and may be amended at any time. They will include some cars that are already built being “grandfathered” at the time of adoption of these rules. They will be identified clearly and concisely. IF you have a car that is already built and need clarification, Contact Chris Bohrer or Bill Coad and one or the other or BOTH will visit or arrange for car to be inspected. These rules are going forward to define “VINTAGE” cars and not lose this class to excessive spending, latest technology, and keep simple, straightforward cars that will define the “VINTAGE” class. These rules will prohibit the class from turning into current late model chassis with older bodies on them.

ALL CARS MUST HAVE TRANSPONDER AND RECEIVER FOR 2024 NO EXCEPTIONS.

Minimum Weight after race: 3000 lbs.

All attached weights must be securely attached to the frame below the decking. All weights must be painted white and have the car number clearly displayed on them. All weights must be secured by half inch grade 5 bolts with self-locking nuts to prevent them from coming loose from vibration. Due to the high-risk factor involved, any car that loses lead weight during an event may be disqualified

CHASSIS:

No tubular frames. Tubular being defined as ROUND TUBE MAIN FRAME RAILS. OE frames and Perimeter chassis constructed of 2x3 or 3x3 from front to rear is okay. You may “box” in oe frame around fuel cell but no further forward than original OE spring “pockets” or suspension mounts.

The 68 chevelle #34 car of Jimbo Tennet with HIM DRIVING is grandfathered. Already built.

3-link rear ends permitted

Factory rear ends permitted.

9-in floaters or non-floaters permitted

Quick change permitted.

No offset chassis. MUST BE OE or Perimeter chassis.

NO BIRDCAGES.

NO 4-Bar chassis. A 4-bar chassis constructed of 2x3 or 3x3 can be converted to a 3 link by locking the birdcages with bolts clearly visible and removing a bar from each side.

FACTORY 4 bar cars permitted with bars mounted in ORIGINAL mounts and location permitted

No fifth or “pull” arms. Can be converted to 3 links with top link.

Wide 5 hubs and wheels permitted.

FACTORY lower control arms only from year of frame UNLESS fabricated frame as outlined above is utilized.
NON-Adjustable Tubular lowers accepted on those frames.

SUGGESTIONS:

Collapsible steering column. Quite a few people have died as a result of non-collapsible steering columns.

ONE PIECE driving suit, multi layer. All drivers should wear fire resistant accessories including but not limited to; head sock, undergarments and socks.

On board fire suppression.

RACES:

Flagman will determine if “aggressive” driving is apparent and WILL BLACK FLAG anyone who hits another car while racing. Now, ACCIDENTS Happen. IF YOU ARE BLACK FLAGGED TWICE IN ONE SEASON, you are prohibited from racing with the Tri-State Vintage DIRT Series for the remainder of season. There will be NO ARGUEING with race officials, Series officials, or the Flagman. The Flagman’s decision is final.

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Adjustable Tubular Upper control arms permitted.

OEM front snouts permitted on frames constructed as outlined above.

Cars can be inspected at any time to determine if safety is an issue with welds, construction methods, etc. If a car is deemed "unsafe" it will NOT be allowed to race. Track Safety officials will be utilized to confirm decisions made by Tri-State officials.

SHOCKS:

NON-ADJUSTABLE SHOCKS ONLY. Can run coil-overs or big springs but only **ONE, NON-ADJUSTABLE** shock per wheel.

BODY:

MUST have an original Roof, Rear quarter panels and Front fenders from manufacturer of that year. Steel only.

1975 Or older full bodies permitted.

Can mount different year bodies on different year frames. MUST be 1975 or older.

ENGINE:

One Carburetor 4 barrel or 2 barrel.

Any ignition permitted.

Must have 2 throttle springs OR MORE.

NO ELECTRIC FUEL PUMPS ALLOWED!!!!

SMALL BLOCK engines of OE Manufacturer only.

Maximum original engine cubic inch displacements will be as listed:

GM	350 C.I.D.
Ford	351 C.I.D.
Chrysler	360 C.I.D.

All sizes listed are Maximum C.I. Boring engine for wear allowed to .060

Tony Catlett #6 Ford is grandfathered. 390 c.i.

Any make of engine is acceptable in any car, but they must conform to applicable engine rules.

Engine must be centered in the car with the forward most spark plug no farther back than the center of the top ball joint.

TRANSMISSION:

Only stock OEM automatic or stock OEM manual transmissions are allowed. Automatic transmissions must use the stock torque converter. No hand valves are allowed

TIRES:

USED tires ONLY! We're trying to keep costs down.

SAFETY:

ALL cars must run approved fuel cell. Fuel cell must be "boxed" all the way around with steel tubing to protect from rear impact.

ALL fuel lines running through cockpit must be inside metal conduit.

ALL cars must have charged fire extinguishers onboard or onboard fire system.

ALL cars must have in date window net.

ALL drivers MUST wear sfi rated fire suit.

ALL drivers MUST have neck restraint in the form of HANS type device or neck collar. Hard Motocross neck restraint works well in place of foam collar, but both permitted.

The driver's seat must be an aluminum racing seat and must be securely fastened to the roll cage and/or frame. A padded headrest is mandatory.

A five-point quick release safety harness is required. No stock belts or harnesses. The belt webbing must be protected from any sharp cutouts in the sheet metal or any other sharp edges. The date on the webbing must not exceed three years and must be visible on the manufacturer's tag.

Drivers wear fire suits with shoes and gloves are mandatory.

A window net is mandatory.

All drivers are required to wear a full-face helmet with a minimum safety rating of SA 2010 and have a label attached.

MIRRORS are permitted. Cars without mirrors suggested to have decals on left side of rear stating NO MIRRORS.