



# International Soap Box Derby, Inc. Rule Book

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## **MISSION STATEMENT**

The Soap Box Derby® is an international nonprofit organization whose mission is to build knowledge and character, and to create meaningful experience through collaboration and fair and honest competition

## **OVERVIEW**

The All-American Soap Box Derby (AASBD) World Championship is an event held annually in Akron, Ohio each July. There are three ways in which participants may become eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship:

1. The Local Race Program
2. The Rally Program
3. The International Program

The Local Race Program is a race held annually by an AASBD licensed Local Race City Organization. A participant is required to enter and compete in the Local Race closest to his or her residence. The winner of a Local Race is called a “Local Champion” and is eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship in Akron, Ohio against other Local Champions.

The Rally Program allows participants to earn points by racing in various AASBD licensed Rally Races throughout the United States and Canada. A participant in this program races to win a “Rally Regional Title”. A winner of a Rally Regional Title is considered a “Rally Champion” and is eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship in Akron, Ohio against other Rally Champions.

The International Program allows countries outside of the United States to hold an AASBD licensed race. The winner of an international race is considered a “Local Champion” and is eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship in Akron, Ohio against other Local Champions.

## **INTERNATIONAL SOAP BOX DERBY, INC. REGISTERED TRADEMARKS**

The terms “Soap Box Derby” and “All-American Soap Box Derby”, as well as specialized logos and symbols, are registered trademarks owned by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. Registered trademarks are not permitted to be used for promotional purposes except for licensees of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. Those wanting to use an International Soap Box Derby, Inc. registered trademark for any reason must contact the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

The license agreements between the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. and Local Race City Organizations permit the use of registered trademarks of the All-American Soap Box Derby solely for the promotion of Local Race City Organization events.

### **HELP, GUIDANCE & SUPPORT**

Questions or inquiries for clarification pertaining to the rules, plans and/or regulations should be directed primarily to your Local Race Director and/or Regional Director. The International Soap Box Derby, Inc. also offers a website at [www.soapboxderby.org](http://www.soapboxderby.org) that provides additional assistance to the parent, guardian, mentor and/or child. The website contains links to useful information such as the latest rules and plans, ordering kits or parts online, Local Race City Organization contact information and frequently asked questions.

If further explanation is needed, questions should be directed to the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. All questions or inquiries for clarification must be emailed to [soapbox@soapboxderby.org](mailto:soapbox@soapboxderby.org) or requested in writing, including the full name and contact information (address, phone number) of the participant, to:

International Soap Box Derby, Inc.  
P.O. Box 7225  
Akron, Ohio 44306

## SPIRIT OF THE RULES

The International Soap Box Derby, Inc. rules, plans and regulations are intended to provide fair and uniform policies governing competitions. It is not possible to write individual rules governing every possible situation or circumstance. Therefore, the "Spirit of the Rules" shall grant the authority and responsibility for interpretation of the written rules, plans and regulations to the AASBD, to fairly supervise and judge all competition. The Racing Commission interpretation of the written rules, plans and regulations shall be binding on the participant and the competition under their jurisdiction. In addition, the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. may, at its discretion, provide a rule interpretation that shall be binding upon all participants and competitions.

It must be understood by all participants of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. that it is not possible to cover all potential issues of legal construction for racing. However, changes, alterations, modifications and/or replacements not authorized by the plans and/or rules should NOT be assumed to be legal under the "Spirit of the Rules". Any participant unable to locate a written rule, plan or regulation pertaining to a specific area of construction should first contact the Local Race Director and/or Regional Director for consultation and interpretation.

The rules, plans and regulations established by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. shall be applicable to all licensed All-American Soap Box Derby races and events and shall be taken into account as to all issues involving the construction of a car. By participating in these events, all participants are deemed to have consented to the rules and authority of person who shall enforce the rules.

Participant compliance with all of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. decisions, rules, plans, regulations and agreements is required at all times. The International Soap Box Derby, Inc. has and reserves the right to take action against any participant for failure to comply with any such decision, rule, plan, regulation or agreement. The International Soap Box Derby, Inc. may in its sole and absolute discretion take the action it deems appropriate in response to any such failure to comply by a participant.

**No expressed or implied warranties of any kind, including any warranty of safety, shall result from the publication or compliance with these rules, plans and regulations. In no event shall the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. be liable for any loss, indirect, special or consequential damages even if the International Soap Box Derby Inc. has notice of possibility of such damages. The International Soap Box Derby, Inc. makes no warranties, including any warranties of fitness for a particular purpose with respect to the publication or compliance with these rules, plans or regulations. In all situations, the rules and regulations promulgated by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. shall govern and control over any conflicting provision in these plans.**

**Each participant understands and agrees that a prerequisite to competing in any Championship Race sanctioned by the International Soap Box Derby Inc. in Akron, Ohio, that the racer and his or her car shall undergo and pass inspection conducted at Akron, Ohio by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. Each participant further understands and agrees that such inspection shall be conducted using the manner and methods deemed appropriate by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. in its sole discretion to determine compliance with the rules, plans, regulations, Spirit of the Rules and specifications applicable to that division and that the decisions of the International Soap Box Derby Inc. and its officials regarding qualifications and disqualification in compliance with the rules, Spirit of the Rules, plans, regulations and specifications applicable to that division shall be final and binding upon all parties.**

## **SECTION A: RULES COMMON TO ALL**

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### **A-1. AASBD Racing Season**

A-1.01 The AASBD Racing Season begins on August 1 and ends on July 31.

A-1.02 The AASBD Rally Racing Season begins the day after the United States Memorial Day and ends on the following United States Memorial Day.

### **A-2. Divisions**

A-2.01 All AASBD races must recognize progressive divisions: Stock as the entry level division and Super Stock and Masters as advanced divisions.

### **A-3. Age Limitations**

A-3.01 Participants in the Stock Division must be seven (7) years of age by the date of the first Local and/or Rally race in which they participate. They must not turn fourteen (14) years of age on or before July 31. Proof of age is required.

A-3.02 Participants in the Super Stock Division must be nine (9) years of age by July 31 in the race year that they participate. They must not turn nineteen (19) years of age on or before July 31. Proof of age is required.

A-3.03 Participants in the Masters Division must be ten (10) years of age by July 31 in the race year that they participate. They must not turn twenty-one (21) years of age on or before July 31. Proof of age is required.

A-3.04 If a participant becomes a Local and/or Rally Stock Division Champion, he or she is permitted to progress to the Super Stock Division.

A-3.05 Regression between divisions is permitted as long as the participant is age appropriate.

### **A-4. Weight Limitations**

A-4.01 In the Stock Division, a combined weight of an assembled Stock Car, Z-Glas™ wheels, and the participant must not exceed two hundred (200) pounds.

A-4.02 In the Super Stock Division, a combined weight of an assembled Super Stock Car, Z-Glass™ wheels, and the participant must not exceed two hundred forty (240) pounds.

A-4.03 In the Masters Division, a combined weight of an assembled Masters Car, Z-Glas™ wheels, and participant must not exceed two hundred fifty-five (255) pounds.

### **A-5. Attire**

A-5.01 A participant must wear adequate foot protection with a **continuous** sole while racing.

A-5.02 A participant must wear an official AASBD helmet in proper racing position (on the participant's head with the helmet bill to the front and properly strapped). Participants are not permitted to wear anything underneath the helmet including, but not limited to, bandanas and ball caps.

A-5.03 A participant must wear adequate and appropriate clothing, including any apparel specified and determined by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

### **A-6. Conduct**

A-6.01 A participant, or member of the participant's party, must not use, possess or distribute alcohol, tobacco or drugs, with the exception of those prescribed by a physician specifically for that person.

- A-6.02 A participant or member of the participant's party must not verbally or physically abuse and/or demonstrate unsportsmanlike conduct towards another participant, official and/or spectator.
- A-6.03 A participant or member of the participant's party must not in any way endanger another participant, official and/or spectator.
- A-6.04 A participant or member of the participant's party must not in any way obstruct or interfere with another participant's car.
- A-6.05 A participant must not in any way attempt to gain an *unfair* advantage over another participant.
- A-6.06 A participant must not conceal or use any type of electronic and/or communication devices in his or her car while racing.
- A-6.07 A participant must not violate any AASBD rule, regulation, plan or agreement.

## **A-7. Car Eligibility**

- A-7.01 The participant is encouraged to participate in the construction of his or her car; an adult mentor is permitted to assist in the construction of the car only when and if necessary.
- A-7.02 Cars must be constructed and updated per the most current construction plans published by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
- A-7.03 Only official Z-Glas™ wheels are permitted to be used in an AASBD race.
- A-7.04 Altering the Z-Glas™ wheels is prohibited and means for disqualification.
- A-7.05 Only official AASBD stamped axles with the year 2000 logo or newer for Stock and Super Stock and 2004 logo or newer for Masters are permitted to be used in an AASBD race.
- A-7.06 Altering, modifying or tampering with the floorboard, shell, or any other hardware is prohibited and means for disqualification.
- A-7.07 Any car disqualified from an AASBD race may not be entered in another licensed AASBD race during the same racing season.
- A-7.08 Once a Stock, Super Stock or Masters car has participated in an AASBD World Championship Race the shell and floorboard are no longer permitted to race in *another* sanctioned Local, Rally or AASBD World Championship Race by another participant. The only exception to this rule is the Masters shell can be re-used by *another* participant in any sanctioned race.**
- A-7.09 If a car participated in an AASBD World Rally Championship Race, the original participant may continue to race the car until a 2<sup>nd</sup> Rally Champion and a Local Champion status is achieved within the stock and super stock division (age restrictions apply). Master division cars that participated in an AASBD World Championship Race can be raced by the original participant to achieve a Local Champion and multiple Rally Champion status.



**A-7.10 Floorboard Phase out Revision of February 21, 2011(update)**

**HAS BEEN RESCINDED 1-12-2012.** King pin placement must meet the following placement criterion for both the Stock and Super Stock divisions

Stock Floorboards – The maximum distance from the nose of the floorboard to the kingpin is 7 15/16". The distance between the kingpins is 61 1/8" +/- 1/16".

Super Stock Floorboards – The maximum distance from the nose of the floorboard to the kingpin is 5 13/16". The distance between the kingpins is 63 3/8" +/- 1/16"

**A-8. Racing**

A-8.01 All cars must start by gravity without aide from a standstill, at a starting line or a starting ramp on the track, positioned so that their foremost parts, or noses, are the starting points.

A-8.02 A participant in the Stock or Super Stock Division must remain in the lean forward position with his or her eyes above the centerline (top of shell) of the car throughout the entire heat.

A-8.03 A participant in the Master Division must remain in a lay-down position with feet forward.

A-8.04 A participant must not interfere with the other driver.

**A-9. Weight Distribution**

A-9.01 Race Officials have the option of limiting weight distribution to no more than a fifteen (15) pound nose or tail-heavy differential if they feel the track conditions warrant it for safety and/or equality reasons.

A-9.02 Weight is not permitted to be made from structural shapes or welded together.

A-9.03 Weight is not permitted to be suspended, cantilevered, or chained.

A-9.04 All weights must be painted and the weight of each piece clearly marked.

**A-10. Heats**

A-10.01 Races must be run on a system of single and/or double elimination by heats.

A-10.02 The time achieved by a participant in a previous heat shall have no bearing in subsequent heats.

A-10.03 Completed heat sheets must be held on to for one (1) year and a copy submitted to the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

A-10.04 For all races, only heat sheets supplied by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. are permitted to be used.

## **SECTION B: LOCAL RACE PROGRAM**

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### **B-1. Local Race Officials**

- B-1.01 Local Race Officials include the Local Race Director and those persons appointed by the Local Race Director to assist in the responsibilities of the Local Race.
- B-1.02 It is the responsibility of Local Race Officials to:
- a. Enforce all rules outlined in the most current edition of the rule book published by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
  - b. Administer all paperwork pertaining to the Local Race in a timely manner
  - c. Manage and control the conduct of the Local Race and all associated events
  - d. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the rules
  - e. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the determination of winners
  - f. Assess safety concerns to participants and/or spectators before, during and after the Local Race
  - g. Oversee all repairs and setup changes that may be necessary to the Local winning cars and any Rally Champ cars prior to sending the car to the AASBD World Championship in Akron, Ohio.
- B-1.03 A Local Race Official must remove him or herself from any decision where there is an apparent conflict of interest and the decision must be assigned to another Local Race Official.
- B-1.04 No fewer than three (3) Local Race Officials may disqualify, exclude or eject a participant or member of the participant's party from a Local Race or associated event. Notification to the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. of their decision and the underlying reasons is required.

### **B-2. Minimum Participation**

- B-2.01 In the Stock Division, a minimum of twelve (12) qualified participants is required for the Local Race in order for the winner to be eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship.
- B-2.02 In the Super Stock Division, a minimum of twelve (12) qualified participants is required for the Local Race in order for the winner to be eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship.
- B-2.03 In the Masters Division, a minimum of six (6) qualified participants is required for the Local Race in order for the winner to be eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship.

### **B-3. Registration and Participation**

- B-3.01 A participant must register and compete at the closest Local Race to his or her permanent residence or in the required territory as outlined in an applicable AASBD license agreement for the current AASBD Racing Season.
- B-3.02 A participant is only permitted to register and compete in one Local Race in one car in one division per AASBD Racing Season.

#### **B-4. Substitution**

- B-4.01 A participant's car may be raced by another substitute racer only if the original participant becomes too ill to race (doctor's excuse required) and/or in the case of an emergency.
- B-4.02 All requests for substitution are at the discretion of Local Race Officials and/or the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
- B-4.03 The original participant may name the substitute driver for his or her car upon approval of the Local Race Director and/or the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
- B-4.04 The substitute driver must meet all of the necessary requirements for participating in the Local Race with the only exception of not participating in the construction of the car.
- B-4.05 In the event an award is won as a result of such competition, it shall be issued in the name and to the benefit of the car builder.

#### **B-5. Official Inspection**

- D-5.01 Upon entry into the Local Race, the participant's car must pass an official inspection by Local Race Officials prior to competing.
- D-5.02 The Local Race Officials are permitted to remove any hardware at any point during the inspection or race.
- D-5.03 The participant, along with his or her guardian, and/or a Local Race Official must make all necessary repairs to the participant's car.
- D-5.04 After passing the inspection, the car must be impounded in a controlled area accessible only to Local Race Officials.
- D-5.05 After passing the inspection, a participant is not permitted to make any further repairs or changes to the car before, during and/or after the Local Race without the approval and supervision of a Local Race Official.

#### **B-6. Wheel Swap**

- B-6.01 A wheel swap, either 2/4/2 or 4/4, must be incorporated into a Local Race.

#### **B-7. Local Champions**

- B-7.01 The winner of a Local Race is called a "Local Champion" and is eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship against other Local Champions.
- B-7.02 Local Race City Organizations are permitted to send one Local Champion from each division in which a Local Race is held.
- B-7.03 Former Local Stock, Super Stock and/or Masters Champions are not permitted to compete again in a Local Race in the same division in which they were a Local Champion.
- B-7.04 Should the winner of a Local Race decline the opportunity to compete in the AASBD World Championship, he or she is not permitted to compete again in a Local Race in the same division in which he or she was a Local Champion.
- B-7.05 Should the winner of a Local Race decline the opportunity to compete in the AASBD World Championship, the second place car is now considered a "Local Champion" and is eligible to compete in the AASBD World Championship against other Local Champions.

## **B-8. Winning Cars**

B-8.01 All cars, except the first and second place winners of the Local Race, are permitted to be returned to their owners.

B-8.02 The first place car must pass a post-race inspection by Local Race Officials.

B-8.03 If a first place car is deemed by Local Race Officials to have violations, the car is no longer considered to be the first place winner.

B-8.04 In this circumstance, the second place car will undergo a post-race inspection by Local Race Officials. If the second place car passes inspection, it is now considered the winner.

B-8.05 All repairs and setup changes must be made under the supervision of Local Race Officials.

## **B-9. Car Shipment to the AASBD World Championship**

B-9.01 Prior to shipment to the AASBD, the winning car must pass a final inspection by the Local Race Director and the Regional Director.

B-9.02 The winning car must be shipped to the AASBD at racing weight and must include an unused, installed brake pad and four (4) Z-Glas™ wheels for trial run purposes. The body of the car must only have a maximum of four screws holding the shell to the floorboard.

B-9.03 Once the car is shipped and received by the AASBD, it becomes the sole property of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

## **SECTION C: RALLY PROGRAM**

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### **C-1. Rally Commission**

- C-1.01 The Rally Commission, as appointed by the International Soap Box Derby Inc., is the body responsible for overseeing the Rally Program. Responsibilities of the Rally Commission include writing, reviewing, interpreting and enforcing Rally Program Rules.
- C-1.02 Any attempt to alter or deviate from the rules may void the required *Family Rally Request Form* as well as all insurance and licensing agreements with the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
- C-1.03 The Rally Commission reserves the right to issue or deny a Local Race Organization's request for a Rally.
- C-1.04 Only licensed All-American race cities are eligible to apply for a Rally program license and must have had one official All-American Local race in the race year prior to holding a rally.
- C-1.05 All Family Rally Race programs conducted for All American points must be an "open" basis with regard to entrant eligibility and may not be run on "closed: geographic boundaries.
- C-1.06 Any entry fee charged by a local organization for participating in an All American Rally Race shall not exceed \$35.00 for the first family member participating or \$30.00 for each additional member of the same family.

### **C-2. Rally Race Officials**

- C-2.01 Rally Race Officials include the Rally Director and those persons appointed by the Rally Director to assist in the responsibilities of a Rally Race.
- C-2.02 It is the responsibility of Rally Race Officials to:
- a. Enforce all rules outlined in the most current edition of the rule book published by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
  - b. Administer all paperwork pertaining to the Rally Race in a timely manner
  - c. Manage and control the conduct of the Rally Race and all associated events
  - d. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the rules
  - e. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the determination of winners
  - f. Assess safety concerns to participants and/or spectators before, during and after the Rally Race
- C-2.03 A Rally Race Official must remove him or herself from any decision where there is an apparent conflict of interest and the decision must be assigned to another Rally Race Official.
- C-2.04 A Rally Director's decision supersedes any decisions made by another Rally Race Official and all decisions of a Rally Director shall be final and binding upon all concerned.
- C-2.05 A decision made by the Rally Commission supersedes any decisions made by a Rally Race Official and all decisions of the Rally Commission shall be final and binding upon all concerned.

C-2.06 No fewer than three (3) Rally Race Officials may disqualify, exclude or eject a participant or member of the participant's party from the Rally Race or associated event. Notification to the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. of their decision and the underlying reasons is required.

**C-3. Minimum Participation**

C-3.01 In all divisions, a minimum of four (4) qualified participants is required to be considered an official AASBD point-earning Rally Race.

**C-4. Registration and Participation**

C-4.01 Participants in the Rally Program may register and compete in an unlimited number of licensed AASBD Rally Races.

C-4.02 A participant is only permitted to register and compete in one car in one division per Rally Race.

C-4.03 Masters division participants are eligible to race in the AASBD World Championship an unlimited number of times if the criteria for C-4.03 a,b,c are met. Stock and Super Stock participants in the Rally Program are eligible to race in the AASBD World Championship Race as Rally Champions a first or second time in each division if the following criteria are met:

- a. They are age appropriate for the Division in which they are competing
- b. They must compete in their Local race as outlined on chart below

	Has Not Won Local in Division they are Rally Racing		Previously Won Local in Division they are Rally Racing	
	1st time Rally	2nd time Rally	1st time Rally	2nd time Rally
Stock Division	Must race Local in any eligible division.	Must race Local in in any eligible division.	*No Local Necessary	Must race Local in Super Stock or Masters if eligible
Super Stock	Must race Local in any eligible division.	Must race Local in any eligible division.	*No Local Necessary	Must race Local in Stock or Masters if eligible
Masters	Must race Local in any eligible division.	Must race Local in any eligible division.	*No Local Necessary	*No Local Necessary

\*Although no Local race participation is required, racers are encouraged to participate in a Local within a division in which they are eligible.

- c. Participants must use a car that meets all current rules and building specifications. Cars that have been used in a previous AASBD World Championship race in Akron, Ohio may continue to be used by the SAME participant as long as it meets all other current rules and building specifications.

**C-5. Substitution**

C-5.01 Substitution is not permitted in the Rally Program.

**C-6. Official Inspection**

C-6.01 Upon entry into a Rally Race, the participant’s car must pass an official inspection by Rally Race Officials prior to competing.

C-6.02 The Rally Race Officials are permitted to remove any hardware at any point during the inspection.

C-6.03 The participant, along with his or her guardian, and/or a Rally Race Official must make all necessary repairs to the participant’s car.

C-6.04 After passing the inspection, a participant is not permitted to make any further repairs or changes to the car before or during the Rally Race without approval and supervision of a Rally Race Official.

**C-7. Wheel Swap**

C-7.01 A wheel swap, either 2/4/2 or 4/4, must be incorporated into a Rally Race.

**C-8. Rally Regions**

C-8.01 North America is divided into the following thirteen (13) Regions:

<b><i>Region</i></b>	<b><i>States in Region</i></b>
Region I	Alaska, Idaho, Montana, Oregon and Washington
Region II	Arizona, California, Hawaii, Nevada and Utah
Region III	Arkansas, Louisiana, New Mexico, Oklahoma and Texas
Region IV	Colorado, Iowa, Kansas, Missouri, Nebraska, North Dakota, South Dakota and Wyoming
Region V	Illinois, Indiana, Michigan, Minnesota and Wisconsin
Region VI	Ohio and West Virginia
Region VII	Alabama, Florida, Georgia, Mississippi and South Carolina
Region VIII	Delaware, District of Columbia, Maryland, New Jersey, Pennsylvania and Virginia
Region IX	New York
Region X	Maine, Massachusetts, New Hampshire and Vermont
Region XI	Connecticut and Rhode Island
Region XII	Kentucky, North Carolina and Tennessee
Region XIII	International

**C-9. Rally Regional Titles (Rally Champions)**

C-9.01 When a participant wins a Rally Regional Title, he or she is called a “Rally Champion” and is eligible to represent his or her Region by competing in the AASBD World Championship against other Rally Champions.

- C-9.02 A winner of a Rally Regional Title must represent the Region in which his or her permanent residence is located for the current AASBD Racing Season. The mailing address on file at the All American Soap Box Derby office will be used to determine the Region for the race year.
- C-9.03 Rally Regional Titles are awarded annually in each of the Stock, Super Stock and Masters Divisions.
- C-9.04 The number of participants capable of winning Rally Regional Titles is a function of both total points accumulated by the participant and the number of Rally Races held in the participant's Region.
- C-9.05 Participants in the Rally Program earn points by competing in licensed AASBD Rally Races.
- C-9.06 A participant must accumulate a minimum of one hundred (100) points to be considered eligible to win a Rally Regional Title.
- C-9.07 The number of Rally Regional Titles that will be awarded by a Rally District is determined the following format. Each Region must hold a minimum of three (3) Rally Races in order to qualify participants for a Rally regional title

<b><i>Number of Rally Races per Region per Division</i></b>	<b><i>Number of Rally Regional Titles Permitted</i></b>
0 – 2	0
3 – 7	1
8 – 14	2
15 – 21	3
22 – 28	4
29 – 35	5
36 – 42	6
43 – 49	7
50 – 59	8
60 – 69	9
70 +	10

- C-9.08 Notwithstanding the selection criteria previously described, all participants that accumulate one hundred eighty (180) or more points will automatically receive an invitation to compete in the AASBD World Championship as a Rally Champion.
- C-9.09 Those participants with one hundred eighty (180) or more points will be awarded Rally Regional Titles first.
- C-9.10 After the participants that have accumulated one hundred eighty (180) or more points are selected, any remaining Rally Regional Title openings will be chosen using the format outlined in rule C-9.07.
- C-9.11 A participant that wins his or her Local Race is no longer eligible for a Rally Regional



Title for the current AASBD Racing Season and must represent that Local Race City Organization at the AASBD World Championship.

### **C-10. National Top Point Winner**

- C-10.01 In addition to the Rally Regional Title winners, one participant from each division (Stock, Super Stock and Masters) who has accumulated the most points during the AASBD Racing Season will be invited to compete in the AASBD World Championship as the “National Top Point Winner” for that division.
- C-10.02 If the National Top Point Winner wins his or her Local Race, he or she must compete in the AASBD World Championship as a Local Champion. No other car is eligible to be the National Top Point Winner in the Rally Program.

### **C-11. Point Administration**

- C-11.01 Points earned in the current racing season may not be carried over into the next racing season.
- C-11.02 Points earned while racing in one division may not be carried over into another division.
- C-11.03 Participants accumulate two types of points:
  - a. Placement Points
  - b. Participation Points
- C-11.04 A participant’s point total is determined by the participant’s four best placements (Placement Points) plus total Participation Points in an AASBD Racing Season.

$$\begin{array}{r} \text{Placement Points} \\ + \text{Participation Points} \\ \hline \text{Point Total} \end{array}$$

### **C-12. Participation Points**

- C-12.01 A participant will be awarded one (1) Participation Point for each Rally Race that he or she competes in for the AASBD Racing Season.
- C-12.02 The participant must compete in the Rally Race in order to earn the Participation Point.
- C-12.03 Participation shall be defined as racing in good faith and to the best of one’s ability until being eliminated by another participant.

### C-13. Placement Points

C-13.01 Placement Points are accumulated by the participant's top four (4) placements for the AASBD Racing Season.

C-13.02 Points earned according to placement are as follows:

<i>Placement</i>	<i>Points Earned</i>
1 <sup>st</sup>	40
2 <sup>nd</sup>	35
3 <sup>rd</sup>	30
4 <sup>th</sup>	25
5 <sup>th</sup>	20
6 <sup>th</sup>	15
7 <sup>th</sup>	10
8 <sup>th</sup>	5

C-13.03 If time or weather precludes racing of third (3<sup>rd</sup>) through eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) placement of any bracket, a coin toss may be used to determine prizes and trophies, but not to award points.

C-13.04 Undetermined brackets are permitted to be averaged and points must be awarded evenly among the participants involved.

For example, if fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) and sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) placements are not determined, both participants would receive 17.5 points.

20 Points (5<sup>th</sup> Placement)  
+ 15 Points (6<sup>th</sup> Placement)  
35 Points (Divided by 2 = 17.5 Points)

C-13.05 For the Stock and Super Stock Divisions Only:

- a. Participants will only be awarded full points if there are eight (8) or more participants.
- b. Rally Races with four (4) to seven (7) participants will only award from 8<sup>th</sup> placement forward.

For example, a race with only four (4) participants would award points for fifth (5<sup>th</sup>), sixth (6<sup>th</sup>), seventh (7<sup>th</sup>) and eighth (8<sup>th</sup>) placements.

C-13.06 For the Masters Division Only:

- a. Participants will only be awarded full points if there are six (6) or more participants.
- b. Rally Races with four (4) to five (5) participants will only award points from sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) placement forward.

For example, a race with only four (4) participants would award points for third (3<sup>rd</sup>), fourth (4<sup>th</sup>), fifth (5<sup>th</sup>) and sixth (6<sup>th</sup>) positions.

#### **C-14. Changing Divisions**

C-14.01 The division in which a participant initially rallies in during the AASBD Racing Season will be recorded as his or her base division. .

C-14.02 Should a racer change divisions, he/she will accumulate points in the new division with no change to the points already accumulated in the base division. Points in multiple divisions will accumulate throughout the official Rally racing season. Points in all divisions will reset to zero at the start of a new Rally racing season.

C-14.03 The racer must choose a single division in which they will race during the All American World Championship if the racer qualifies in more than one rally division. The racer is responsible for notifying the All American Soap Box Derby office of their World Championship division choice by May 31 each year. Points in the non-chosen division do not carry over into the next Rally racing season.

#### **C-15. Non-Point Earner Status**

C-15.01 A participant is permitted to compete in Rally Races as a “Non-Point Earner” if he or she meets one of the following criteria:

- a. The participant was previously declared a Rally Regional Title winner (previously called “Rally District Title”) and declined the invitation to compete in the AASBD World Championship as a Rally Champion.
- b. The participant will turn eighteen (18) years old (Super Stock division only) or will turn twenty-one years old (Masters division only) during the current AASBD Racing Season
- c. The participant has won his or her Local Race and continues to rally in a second qualified car for the remainder of that AASBD Racing Season.

C-15.02 Non-Point Earners are counted as participants in a Rally Race. Any Non-Point Earner who places in the top eight (8) positions of a Rally Race shall be passed over so that points are awarded to only the top eight (8) eligible point-earning participants.

#### **C-16. Tie Breaker in Determining a Rally Regional Title**

C-16.01 In the event of a tie in the final point tabulation for awarding a Rally Regional Title, the first tie breaker determination will be the total number of participants that the participant competed against in his or her top four (4) placements.

C-16.02 If necessary, second tie breakers will be determined by a coin toss conducted by the International Soap Box Derby.

## **C-17. Car Shipment to the AASBD World Championship**

- C-17.01 Prior to shipment to the AASBD, the winning car must pass a final inspection by their Local Director. The car then should be checked by either a Rally Commission member, Regional Director or someone appointed by the Regional Director.
- C-17.02 The winning car must be shipped to the AASBD at racing weight and must include an unused, installed brake pad and four (4) Z-Glas™ wheels for trial run purposes. The body of the car must only have a maximum of four screws holding the shell to the floorboard.
- C-17.03 Once the car is shipped and received by the AASBD, it becomes the sole property of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

## **SECTION D: ALL-AMERICAN SOAP BOX DERBY (AASBD) WORLD CHAMPIONSHIP**

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### **D-1. AASBD Race Officials**

D-1.01 AASBD Race Officials are those persons appointed by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. to assist in the responsibilities of the AASBD World Championship.

D-1.02 It is the responsibility of AASBD Race Officials to:

- a. Enforce all rules outlined in the most current edition of the rule book published by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.
- b. Manage and control the conduct of the AASBD World Championship and all associated events
- c. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the interpretation and enforcement of the rules
- d. Render final decisions on all matters pertaining to the determination of winners
- e. Assess safety concerns to participants and/or spectators before, during and after the AASBD World Championship
- f. Oversee all repairs as may be necessary to the participating cars before and during the AASBD World Championship

D-1.03 An AASBD Race Official must remove him or herself from any decision where there is an apparent conflict of interest and the decision must be assigned to another AASBD Race Official.

D-1.04 No fewer than three (3) AASBD Race Officials may disqualify, exclude or eject a participant or member of the participant's party from the AASBD World Championship or associated event.

### **D-2. Registration and Participation**

D-2.01 All Local/Rally Champions and/or Local/Rally Race Directors must thoroughly complete and submit all Champion Paperwork by the required date set forth by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

D-2.02 Exceptions to Rule D-2.01 will only be made for those Local Race City Organizations that have made prior arrangements with the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

### **D-3. Attire**

D-3.01 All participants must wear an issued, unaltered AASBD racing shirt issued by the International Soap Box Derby, Inc. and comply with all other attire requirements as set forth in Rule A-5.

### **D-4. Substitution**

D-4.01 A Champion's car may be raced by another substitute racer only if the original participant becomes too ill to race (doctor's excuse required) and/or in the case of an emergency.

D-4.02 All requests for substitution are at the discretion of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

D-4.03 The original participant may name the substitute driver for his or her car upon approval of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

D-4.04 The substitute driver must meet all of the necessary requirements for participating in the AASBD World Championship Race with the only exception of not participating in the

construction of the car.

D-4.05 In the event an award is won as a result of such competition, it shall be issued in the name and to the benefit of the car builder.

D-4.06 There are no substitutes for Rally participants during any AASBD races including the World Championship race and Rally Challenge race.

#### **D-5. Official Inspection**

D-5.01 Upon entry into the AASBD World Championship, the participant's car must pass an official inspection by AASBD Officials prior to competing.

D-5.02 The AASBD Race Officials are permitted to remove any hardware at any point during the inspection.

D-5.03 The participant, along with his or her guardian, and/or an AASBD Race Official must make all necessary repairs to the participant's car.

D-5.04 A participant is permitted to have one witness of his or her choice to observe any repairs performed by an AASBD Race Official.

D-5.05 After passing the inspection, the car must be impounded in a controlled area accessible only to AASBD Race Officials.

D-5.06 After passing the inspection, a participant is not permitted to make any further repairs or changes to the car before, during and/or after the AASBD World Championship without the approval and supervision of an AASBD Race Official.

#### **D-6. World Champions (Local and Rally)**

D-6.01 The first, second and third place winners from each division of the AASBD World Championship Local and Rally Race must be immediately impounded in a controlled area accessible only to AASBD Race Officials.

D-6.02 Each car must pass a post-race inspection by AASBD Officials in order to become certified as the top three World Local/Rally Champions for the according division.

D-6.03 The first place cars remain the sole property of the International Soap Box Derby, Inc.

D-6.04 The second and third place and all other cars may be returned to their appropriate owners, at the conclusion of the race.

#### **D-7. Winning Cars**

D-7.01 Former Local Champions are not permitted to compete again in a Local Race in the same division in which they were a competitor in the AASBD World Championship Local Race.

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