

## AUDUBON DAYS BED RACE Safety Rules & Guidelines

### Open. Class (Audubon Committee Bed)

### Modified Class (Beds built by the Entrant)

To enter your team call the Mayville Area Chamber of Commerce (920) 387-5776 or (800) 256-7670. The entrance fee is \$50.00 per bed in the open class and \$100.00 per bed in the modified class. A completed registration form along with payment must be filed in order to compete. All team members must sign at the bottom of the registration form that they have read the rules and waiver information.

**Prizes will be determined by the number of teams participating. 100% cash payback.**  
**Cash prizes awarded for 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> & 3<sup>rd</sup> place are paid out to team captains only.**  
**Prizes for every team, best team costume award and fun for everyone!**

### THE FOLLOING GUIDELINES ARE TO INSURE A FAIR & SAFE COMPETITION

#### **BED CONSTRUCTION**

**SIZE: (Modified Class ONLY – Open Class teams use beds provided by the Chamber)**

Must be a standard full-size bed, must have a standard full-size mattress which is 54" x 74". Tolerances of up to 2" Will be allowed. Mattress or box spring may be conventional or air.

#### **MATERIAL:**

The bed may be constructed of any material (wood, steel, aluminum, etc.). The racing vehicle does not have to have been a real bed. It may be constructed for the sole purpose of running in this race.

#### **CONSTRUCTION SAFETY:**

The bed must be firmly assembled so that no parts will break off during the race. The mattress supports should be rigid enough to make it impossible for the passenger to fall through. Safe construction of the bed is the sole responsibility of the construction crew. If any functional part of the bed breaks during the race, the bed will be disqualified.

Functional parts are considered to be the wheels, frame, mattress, support or anything that could endanger the safety of the pushers, passenger or spectators. Steering mechanisms are acceptable.

#### **WHEELS:**

Any type and size of wheel is acceptable. Wheels may be located anywhere on the bed (front and back, side and center)

#### **BED RACE CREW Safety Rules**

1. Crew will consist of up to four pushers and one passenger.
2. All must be a minimum of 18 years old at the time of the race.
3. At least one member of each team must be female.
4. Passenger must stay on/in the bed at all times except for the bell area.
5. No other form of propulsion will be permitted.
6. In the event of sickness or injury, a crew member may be replaced. Any crew substitution must be cleared through the bed race committee. The injury or sickness must be obvious. No substitutions will be permitted as a result of fatigue. No substitutions permitted during a heat.
7. **CREWSAFETY EQUIPMENT:** The Audubon Days Committee strongly advises the use of kneepads, elbow pads, gloves, helmets and heavy clothing during the running of the race!

## **AUDUBON BED RACES RULES OF THE COURSE**

1. **Lane choices** for will be determined by the flip of a coin by the starter. After the first heat lane choice will be determined by times, with fast time getting lane choice.
2. The starter will be responsible for a **fair start** by both teams. In the event of an unfair start, the starter will call the contestants back (with a 2nd shot of the starting gun) and the race will be restarted.
3. The competitors will follow the prescribed slalom course to the bell area. **In the OPEN CLASS only, all pushers must only push from the rear of the bed. It is our intent that the bed is not pulled around the bales.** Failure to follow/satisfy the prescribed course will result in disqualification. Signs with arrows will be placed on top of a hay bale to aid in the direction the bed must go to satisfy the course requirements. Hay bales will designate the action area.
4. It is important to note that these bales are outside the designated action area, the passenger cannot leave the bed until any portion of the bed has entered the action area of the event. The passenger can then leave the bed, complete the off bed obstacle, and reboard the bed. If the passenger leaves the bed before it enters the action area, a judge will order the passenger to go back, touch the bed, and then complete the off bed obstacle. No portion of the bed will be allowed to leave the action area before the passenger has boarded the bed. If the bed leaves the action area before the passenger is aboard, a judge will order the team to pull the complete bed back (with the passenger aboard and not helping with the bed movement) into the action area, and then continue on the slalom course.
5. Any bed that deviates from its lane and contacts any other bed will be disqualified.

Send registration form and payment to:

Audubon Days Bed Race  
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