

Gulches Mega Top 4x4 Challenge

Rules

These rules have been **updated 1/11/09** please review especially the Safety and Tech Inspection sections.

*** This symbol means major change in rules**

All rules may be changed right up to event day by Gulches Staff. Any last minute changes will be given to entrants at pre event meeting Saturday 9:00am

*You must declare a category and fill out a registration form. It must be entered 15 days before first event. Email or drop by the park. gulches@gmail.com or 864-449-5698 or fax 864-268-2351

Vehicle Tech Inspection must be done the weekend before an event or by appointment only Saturday morning of an event.

***All entrants must be 18 years old or older.** ID's will be checked at pre event meeting. Any exception to this rule must be confirmed by Skip in advance of that event.

Gates will open at 7:30 am for registered vehicles only. Limited tech inspection 8:00 am to 9:00 am

Camping from Friday to Saturday will be available to registered event participants first. Camp site pricing to event participants and families \$10.00

***Fee of \$50.00** is for one vehicle and one spotter only and must be registered 15 days before the event. **There is no late registration the day of the event! Payment must be made by the close of business Sunday the weekend before the event.**

Only 10 vehicles in each class.

There are 4 (four) series events. Each entry fee is \$50.00. All four can be purchased in advance of the first event for \$150.00. There will be no financing this amount into the series. This also locks a spot for you in all four events.

If you chose to pay on a per event basis a spot will not be reserved for you. The remaining spots of each event will be filled on a first to pay basis.

37 1/2" tires are considered 38" tires This goes for 34 1/2" is 35 also.

Gulches staff and event workers are the boss what they say goes. All decisions are final.

Pre event introduction is for spotters and drivers only at 9:00 am sharp Saturday.

****If you are late you will not compete this will be strictly enforced this year!***

C & D Category vehicles must have an appropriate winch.

Category A must not have any lockers front or rear. This includes limited slip from the factory. Repeat No Limited Slip or you will be eliminated from the competition.

No Do Overs

D and DD will run as one class however course will be adjusted for DD

Only the spotter and driver are allowed on the event course during the event.

All events are performed one vehicle at a time.

Points System

Driver out 10 point penalty.

Use of Winch - 30 point penalty

Backing up 3 point penalty

Rear steer if used 25 point penalty per run

***A and B classes only the use of a Mechanical front dig** whether it be non factory cut brakes or driveshaft disconnect or altered transfer case twin sticks will receive a 3 point penalty each time they perform the front dig. The use of a factory unaltered emergency brake will be permitted.

Stopping for a 5 second count 2 point penalty

Any cones knocked down, driven over, touched, mangled, destroyed or sucked up into your suspension is a 10 point penalty

DNF receives 40 points total for that event based on 100 point obstacle 60 for 150 point obstacle

DQ disqualified 0 points for that event

No points penalty for spotter out...We want you to use your spotter. Some events it will be required for your spotter to not ride.

Vehicle must have at least 3 wheels break the plane of the two cones that create a gate
Any or all events may have cones

We are not responsible for damage or injury or death and all contestants must sign all necessary waivers.

Tech Inspection

First tech inspection of the season should be in advance of the first event so that if something is declared not correct the driver and team have time to properly correct the problem.

***Drivers must wear helmets**

***Spotters must wear at least bicycle helmets and spotter's ropes will be inspected**

All drive shaft u joints should be taped. C and D and DD

All vehicles must have tow points front and rear.

Batteries properly fastened.

Proper seatbelts that work. - Brakes inspection - Radiator and hoses inspection - General inspection for a safe operating vehicle.

*C and D Must have 4 or 5 point harness for driver and spotter if spotter rides

Safety

Safety is of the utmost importance. Stout roll cages, on open vehicles and buggies. Fire extinguisher and all things strapped down.

Spectators are not allowed on the course or help right or touch your vehicle once you are in the course.

No one, including the spotter, is allowed to touch the vehicle while its wheels are moving. No pushing the vehicle or you will be DQed.

A spotter's rope is the only way the spotter can move the vehicle.

Spotter's rope must be at least 15 feet long.

If your **vehicle touches caution-do-not-enter tape or any banners or trees attached to banners** he is QDed immediately. This is for spectator safety.

*If you break it must be fixed in that spot on the course before you time out. No forward attempt while broken shall be permitted. The event marshal is the only one to override this rule. You must exit the course the safest way possible if you can not fix it within the time allotted on the course. You have until you are called for your next event, to fix your vehicle.

C & D class No 3 wheel drive to finish the events. DNF points will be awarded if vehicle can line up to run next event.