



Lawrence County Official Outhouse Race Rules

The first rule of reflection is safety for the racers and for the public.

Use good common sense based on safety in all designs of outhouses, in dress, and in racing.

Building Code Rules: 1.

Outhouses may be built of any solid material and must be structurally sound enough not to fall apart during the race. The outhouses must have three (3) walls, a roof, a doorway and a seat with at least one (1) hole (any representation of a typical “outhouse hole”) and a roll of toilet paper. The toilet seat that the one team member must be seated on during the race must be (securely attached). Also, some form of grab bar (o’crap handle’s) must be included for the rider’s safety.

2. Outhouses must have a door, but the door must be secured open or removed during the race. Not more than one half (1/2) of any wall may be a window. **Glass is NOT allowed for any part of the construction.**

3. Outhouses must be a minimum of nine (9) square feet (3’ x 3’) at its base, a minimum height of five (5) feet from the floor to the highest point of the outhouse. The maximum overall width of the outhouse should not exceed eight (8) feet; this includes pushing and pulling devices. No maximum weight requirement.

4. Any device for grasping/pushing or pulling may be used except ropes or like materials/devices. All grasping devices must be secured solid to the outhouse. The device must not exceed the eight (8) feet maximum width requirement.

5. Outhouses must be human push and/or pull powered only. No motors, bicycle-type devices are allowed. Any number and size of wheels may be used. Wheel setup may be either axle mounted, non-steerable or 360-degree caster type wheels.

6. Outhouses must have a name or theme displayed on the front, back, or side of the outhouses. All names or themes must be in good taste. No explicit language or pornographic displays are allowed on or in the outhouse.

Outhouse must have a toilet paper holder with a full roll of toilet paper during the race. Outhouses should resemble an actual outhouse since this is an “outhouse race”. *** For construction design ideas, simple google “**outhouse races**” for lots of fun pictures & videos. Also, please see the video on our website for more info.

Team Rules:

1. A team shall consist of a maximum of six (6) people. (3) team members to push and/or pull while one (1) team members must ride/sit on toilet seat and participate in all activities of the event. (2) Alts are used in case someone gets hurt during an event and needs to fill in.

(Important Information: *Alts can only enter if their team advances in the next race. Alts cannot enter to help with the race if someone were to get hurt during the regularly scheduled race. The team must finish with the remainder of participants and win a heat before alt can enter into the next race.*)

2. All team members must be at least 12 years of age and provide proof of age.

3. The rider (“**sitter**”) is not allowed to participate in the propelling process in any way and must be seated over the hole during the entire race.

4. A helmet is recommended for all team members. If riders decide to wear a helmet, they must wear an approved DOT helmet. Other safety gear may be worn.

5. All team members must complete a registration form and sign a safety / liability release prior to the day of the race.

6. All team members, as listed in the registration, must remain the same throughout the competition, unless a change is requested by a team member and authorized by an official prior to the race.

Race Rules:

1. All participants and their outhouses must check in prior to race time at the office. Pre-registration would be appreciated.

2. Any outhouse deemed unsafe or unsound by the race committee will not be allowed to race. Safety is paramount.

3. The racecourse will be divided into two (2) lanes. All racers must stay in the designated lane assigned at the start of the race. Veering out of lane is a disqualifying event.

4. Team pushes/pulls outhouse down a short course, member sitting on the toilet gets out and has to sit on a toilet bowl and clean the (Chocolate Syrup) off of the top of the seat. Then the sitter will run to a Country Steel

Feeding Tank or feeding trough to find a corn cob, after you have found the corn cob, you then run back to switch out the roll of toilet paper from inside their outhouse to the one at the end of the course, Lastly, you get back inside, and then your team pushes/pulls the outhouse back to the beginning line.

5. Outhouse races will be held two (2) at a time. The winning team will advance to the next round and the losing team will be eliminated. The race brackets will be rank by the time it takes them to finish their races.

Custom trophies and cash prizes awarded as follows:

\$500 – 1st Place “*The Big Dipper*”

\$300 – 2nd Place “*The #2*”

\$200 – 3rd Place “*Little Stinker*”

\$100 – For Best Built Outhouse

To enter the "Best Outhouse Wins Contest," you must build an outhouse and enter it in the race. Winning this category requires both building and racing your outhouse. We judge on how the contestants showcase their designs during the race, in addition, to creativity.