



SKID LOADER COMPETITION

- Any unsafe operation of the machine will result in immediate disqualification from the event. This event is designed for **individuals with skid steer operation experience**, not experimentation. If it becomes apparent to contest officials that a contestant has little or no experience, the contestant will be flagged to stop and dismount, and will not be allowed further competition.
- Skid Loader competition is a test of an individual's skill as he/she operates through an obstacle course , including scooping up dirt and taking it to unloading location, with the best time.
- Timing of the event always begins with the timer's signal (whistle or horn) and ends when the machine is returned to its starting position with the bucket down. The operator will signal the judge that he/she is done by raising his/her hands in the air once the machine is back to the original starting position (bucket down).
- All drivers must have the seat belts fastened at all times during the event.
- Each operator will be allowed to move the machine's arm and bucket to get a feel for the controls prior to the event.
- The operator must mount and dismount with the engine shut off. Both operators' hands must be either on the hydraulic and/or directional controls while the machine is in motion. Each operator must finish the event in order to qualify for awards or prizes.
- Entries are on a first come, first served basis. There may be a limit on the number of teams competing in the events. This is at the discretion of the event coordinator and is subject to time constraints and resources. Entries will receive a confirmation of participation notification once the entry form is received and any entry fee has been paid.
- Strict adherence to safety is a must and any contestant that engages in dangerous operation of equipment, horseplay, abusive or distracting language during an event can and will result in disqualification from the competition and all points forfeited.
- Machine Mania events at the Oregon State Fair carry risk to participants. All participants will be required to sign a waiver stating they understand and acknowledge the risks to personal injury involved. All participants will agree to hold GK Machine, Inc., its officers, directors, employees, volunteers or any other official of the event, harmless from all liability from participating in the events.
- All participants must be in good physical condition, capable of participating without risk to self or others. All participants must be 18 years of age and able to show proof of age. All contestants will be required to wear protection gear, attend participate meetings for training and instruction or they will not be allowed to participate in the event.
- Scoring: 5 points for first place, 4 points second place, 3 points for third place, 2 points for fourth place, and 1 point for fifth place. Certificates and awards will be awarded for the first three places.