

Chamber Bed Race Rules

We know you hate it...but we have to have them!

Bed Design

- Beds must measure at least 3 feet wide by 6 feet long, but no more than 6 feet wide by 8 feet long – handles included. (This means it must be a twin/single sized bed with push bars not to extend more than 18 inches from either side of frame.) The bed may be an existing bed, or one made especially for the race but must mimic a “real” twin sized bed and have both a headboard and footboard.
- Beds may be equipped with “push bars” on each of the four corners. Beds may not be pulled, only pushed from the sides or back.
- No cribs, toddler, child sized, or day beds allowed.
- Beds must include a manufactured twin sized mattress. Pads do not qualify. (box spring optional)
- Beds must be designed with four functional wheels making contact with the road surface at all times.
- Bed must have a minimum of four wheels, so situated to make the bed stable and safe. Wheels may be fixed or swivel. There is no type or size limit on wheels.
- *NO motors or mechanical assistance is allowed*, only human power. No steering or breaking devices allowed.
- All beds will be inspected at “Staging” for safety and compliance with the rules. Beds that do not pass inspection will have an opportunity for correction. If a correction cannot or is not made, the team will be disqualified with no refund of registration fee.
- Staging will be held on Front Street. Please unload your bed, park it in a parking space in front of the Kiddie Carnival area, and remove your vehicle from the “Staging” area.
- Theme or costume attire is strongly encouraged; however, *you must be attired!* Any theme must be appropriate for family audiences.

Safety

- All bed racers **MUST** sign the Waiver of Liability and acknowledgement of the Bed Race Rules and Regulations before participating in the race.
- All runners/pushers should wear athletic shoes suitable for street running.
- Riders must wear an approved helmet. (Bicycle helmet or motor cycle helmet with chin strap secured are considered approved)
- Safety gear such as knee and/or elbow pads are encouraged.

During the Race

- Bed riders must sit or lay flat on the bed – *This is not a surfing competition so no standing or kneeling will be allowed!*
- The rider must be on the bed as long as the bed is in motion and may not help at any time in the propulsion of the bed. If the rider falls off, the bed must come to a complete stop until the rider is back on.
- All runners/pushers must be in control of their bed until it comes to a complete stop. The bed must be beyond the finish line and completely halted before being released by the pushers. (Teams releasing their beds before they are at a complete stop may be disqualified.)

- Teams shall not interfere or impede the progress of an opposing team.
- The bed and/or team members cannot cross the dividing lines of the race course.

Bed Race Rules

- Each team consists of four (4) people – three pushing the bed, and one riding on it.
- Racers must be 15 years of age or older to participate with the adult teams. Youth teams are 11-14 years of age.
- Teams must be co-ed meaning it contains 1 person of the opposite sex.
- All team captains **MUST** attend the pre-race meeting. **NO EXCEPTIONS!** (All team members are encouraged to attend.)
- Each team will be paired with at least one other team to compete in the heats. (1st to cross the finish line competition – judge’s rulings are final!)
- Team pairings will be random as determined by the Chamber Team (aka race officials) and will be announced the day of the race.
- Winning team from each heat will advance to the finals.
- In the event a qualifying team should be disqualified prior to the finals, the 2nd place team from their preliminary heat shall advance to the finals. All four team members must complete the race/heat to advance or be eligible for trophies.
- Teams will compete for the fastest time in their heat on a 100-yard course. (150 feet down and 150 feet back to the finish line).
- At the turnaround point one of the pushers must trade places with the rider.
- Each team in its entirety must cross the half way line (the turnaround point) and trade out their rider before crossing back over the half way line. There is no requirement to actually turn your bed around.
- The winning team of each heat will advance to the finals.
- **Grudge Match-** Any team with enough energy to “go again” can “throw down a challenge” to another team and race for true bragging rights after the final heat. All safety and standard race rules apply.
- This is a family event so all teams, themes, attire and language must be kept “G” rated.

Awards

- Trophies & Bragging Rights Awarded To 1st place teams in the final heat.
- Additional prizes awarded to:
 - Craziest Costume & Theme
- No trophies awarded for Grudge Matches, just serious bragging rights!

Entry Fee

- \$25.00 per team for adults
- \$20.00 per team for youth

The Chamber Team reserves the right to disqualify or remove, at its discretion, any team, costumes, or bed decorations deemed inappropriate or defies the spirit of the bed race competition – It’s after the Kiddie Parade so let’s keep it fun for all ages.

Chamber Bed Race Registration Form

Name of Team _____ Youth _____ Adult _____

Name of team captain: _____ Age _____ Male or Female
(Please circle one)

Team captain's phone number _____
(Contact person)

Name of team member 2 _____ Age _____ Male or Female
(Please circle one)

Name of team member 3 _____ Age _____ Male or Female
(Please circle one)

Name of team member 4 _____ Age _____ Male or Female
(Please circle one)

\$20.00 Youth

\$25.00 Adult

Entry fee paid Date: _____ Cash _____ Check _____

Registration received/taken by _____

**PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY,
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**
Waiver Form for ADULTS (Age 18 or older)

For and in consideration of Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce allowing me, the undersigned, to participate in The Bed Race Event, and related activities sponsored by The Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce, I, for myself, and on behalf of my spouse, children, guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (**the "Agreement"**);

1. I hereby represent that (i) I am at least eighteen (18) years of age or older; (ii) I am in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Event; and (iii) I am not and will not be under the influence of alcohol or any illicit or prescription drugs which would in any way impair my ability to safely participate in the Event. I agree that it is my sole responsibility to determine whether I am sufficiently fit and healthy enough to participate in the Event, that I am responsible for my own safety and wellbeing at all times and under all circumstances while at the Event site.

2. I understand and acknowledge the risks and dangers associated with participation in the Bed Race including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life; loss of or damage to equipment/property; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; contact with other participants, spectators, or other natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event Organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("**Risks**"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by my own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Event, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses which I incur as a result of my participation in any Event.

3. I agree to be familiar with and to abide by the Rules and Regulations established for the Event, including but not limited to the safety regulations established for the benefit of all participants. I accept sole responsibility for my own conduct and actions while participating in the Event, and the condition and adequacy of my equipment. I understand that the Event Organizers have the right to control or prohibit advertising material used, worn, or displayed by a participant at the site during the Event, and that they have also reserved the right to disqualify anyone or deny participation in the Event for any reason they deem just and proper in their sole discretion.

4. I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: The Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce, it's directors, members, volunteers, advertisers, sponsors, partners, property owners or operators upon which the Event takes place, Event officials and judges; with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorneys fees) of any kind or nature ("**Liability**") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to my participation in the Event, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties. I further agree that if, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on my behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities which any may be incurred as the result of such claim. I hereby warrant that I am of legal age and competent to enter into this Agreement, that I have read this Agreement carefully, understand its terms and conditions, acknowledge that I will be giving up substantial legal rights by signing it (including the rights of my spouse, children, guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement without any inducement, assurance or guarantee, and intend for my signature to serve as confirmation of my complete and unconditional acceptance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement. This Agreement represents the complete understanding between the parties regarding these issues and no oral representations, statements or inducements have been made apart from this Agreement. If any provision of this Agreement is held to be unlawful, void, or for any reason unenforceable, then that provision shall be deemed severable from this Agreement and shall not affect the validity and enforceability of any remaining provisions.

Print Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Male Female

Home Address: _____ Home Tel.: (____) _____

X _____ / _____ / _____
Signature of Participant *Date Signed*

**PARTICIPANT WAIVER AND RELEASE OF LIABILITY,
ASSUMPTION OF RISK AND INDEMNITY AGREEMENT**
Waiver Form for MINORS (Under Age 18)

For and in consideration of the Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce allowing the minor(s) identified below (**individually and collectively, "Minor"**) to participate in The Bed Race Event, and related activities sponsored by The Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce, I, for myself, and on behalf of Minor, and the Minor's parents/legal guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns, hereby agree to and make the following contractual representations pursuant to this Waiver and Release of Liability, Assumption of Risk and Indemnity Agreement (**the "Agreement"**);

1. I hereby represent that (i) I am the parent or legal guardian of the Minor; (ii) the Minor is in good health and in proper physical condition to participate in the Event; and (iii) the Minor is not and will not be under the influence of alcohol or any illicit or prescription drugs which would in any way impair the Minor's ability to safely participate in the Event, and that I am responsible for the Minor's safety and well being at all times and under all circumstances while at the Event.

2. I understand and acknowledge the risks and dangers associated with the Minor's participation in The Bed Race and related activities, including without limitation, the potential for serious bodily injury, sickness and disease, permanent disability, paralysis and loss of life; loss of or damage to equipment/property; exposure to extreme conditions and circumstances; contact with other participants, spectators, animals or other natural or manmade objects; dangers arising from adverse weather conditions; equipment failure; inadequate safety measures; participants of varying skill levels; situations beyond the immediate control of the Event Organizers; and other undefined, not readily foreseeable and presently unknown risks and dangers ("**Risks**"). I understand that these Risks may be caused in whole or in part by the Minor's own actions or inactions, the actions or inactions of others participating in the Event, or the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties defined below, and on behalf of the Minor, I hereby expressly assume all such Risks and responsibility for any damages, liabilities, losses or expenses which I incur as a result of the Minor's participation in any Event.

3. I understand that the Minor is required to be familiar with and to abide by the Rules and Regulations established for the Event, including but not limited to the Competitive Rules adopted by The Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce and any safety regulations established for the benefit of all participants. I accept sole responsibility for the conduct and actions of the Minor while he or she is participating in the Event, and the condition and adequacy of the Minor's equipment. I understand that the Event Organizers have the right to control or prohibit advertising material used, worn, or displayed by a participant at the site during the Event, and that they have also reserved the right to disqualify anyone or deny participation in the Event for any reason they deem just and proper in their sole discretion.

4. On behalf of the Minor, I hereby Release, Waive and Covenant Not to Sue, and further agree to Indemnify, Defend and Hold Harmless the following parties: The Cottonwood Chamber of Commerce, it's directors, members, volunteers, advertisers, sponsors, partners, property owners or operators upon which the Event takes place, Event officials and judges; with respect to any liability, claim(s), demand(s), cause(s) of action, damage(s), loss or expense (including court costs and reasonable attorney's fees) of any kind or nature ("**Liability**") which may arise out of, result from, or relate in any way to the Minor's participation in the Event, including claims for Liability caused in whole or in part by the negligent acts or omissions of the Released Parties. I further agree that if, despite this Agreement, the Minor, or anyone on the Minor's behalf, makes a claim for Liability against any of the Released Parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the Released Parties from any such Liabilities which any may be incurred as the result of such claim. I hereby warrant that I am of legal age and authorized to enter into this Agreement on behalf of the Minor, that I have read this Agreement carefully, understand its terms and conditions, acknowledge that I will be giving up substantial legal rights by signing it (including the rights of the Minor, the Minor's parent/legal guardians, heirs and next of kin, and any legal and personal representatives, executors, administrators, successors and assigns), acknowledge that I have signed this Agreement without any inducement, assurance or guarantee, and intend for my signature to serve as confirmation of my complete and unconditional acceptance of the terms, conditions and provisions of this Agreement.

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MINOR #1: Print Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Male Female

MINOR #2: Print Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Male Female

MINOR #3: Print Name: _____ Age: _____ Date of Birth: _____ / _____ / _____ Male Female

X _____ / _____ / _____ Signature of Parent/Legal Guardian for Minor(s)
Date Signed