

# Tractor Driving

## Event Rules

All members participating in this Career Development Event must meet the eligibility requirements and adhere to the rules of the Kentucky FFA Association as outlined in the Rules Governing FFA Activities document.

Number of members on a team: One per chapter

Official Dress Appropriate: No

Regional Event: Time and location determined by region

State Event: Saturday of the Rising Sun Conference- Kentucky FFA Leadership Training Center

Each region may send up to two members to participate in the Tractor Driving CDE.

## EQUIPMENT

A tractor and a two wheeled trailer will be provided at the contest site.

## OVERVIEW

A map of the tractor driving course is available at [www.kyffa.org](http://www.kyffa.org)

An order of participation will be determined by the event officials.

When a participant's name is called, he or she will step onto the tractor and start the engine. The judge will begin evaluating the participant for safety violation as soon as he or she steps onto the tractor.

On a signal from the judge, the participant will begin the course. Time begins when the front wheels of the tractor cross the starting line. Time ends when the participant steps off the tractor at the end of the course.

No assistance will be allowed from spectators. Any outside assistance will be cause for disqualification of the participant.

All safety violations will be scored against the operator.

Maximum time for each contestant will be four (4) minutes.

Event officials may disqualify a participant for flagrant safety violations.



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## Scoring

Each participant will be scored by the same judge(s) using the score card which is available at [www.kyffa.org](http://www.kyffa.org)

Points are added to the score for the following:

- One point per second for each second over two minutes.
- 100 points per safety violation observed (extra riders, sliding wheels, jumping front end, failure to set brakes or leave in gear, jumping off the tractor, fouling equipment, etc.)
- 40 points for each can or tire touched in the course
- 50 points for each golf ball dislodged
- 100 points for each stake knocked down or out of line
- 40 points for each time the tractor or implement is outside the line of stakes
- 20 points for each pull up to improve position
- 10 points for each time the engine is killed or the gears are grated
- 20 points for slipping or riding the clutch (points are deducted each time the participant's foot remains on the clutch more than 5 seconds, except when stopping or changing gears)
- 20 points for riding the brake pedal (points are deducted each time the participant's foot remains on the brake pedal more than 5 seconds, except when stopping.)
- 10 points for each inch that the trailer is off center in the front of the shed
- 10 points for each inch over one inch that the trailer is from the rear stake in the shed

The lowest scoring participant will be declared the winner.

In the event of a tie between the top two participants, both participants will be asked to drive the course again. The participant with the lowest score will be declared the winner.

