

Hales Corners 4th of July Bed Race Rules

Race and registration held at Hales Corners Elementary School parking lot, 113th & Janesville Rd.

Registration starts at 12:45 p.m. and ends at 1:25 p.m. on July 4.

The race begins at 1:30 p.m., rain or shine. Plan to be there and organized by 1:15 p.m.

The Village of Hales Corners supplies the bed on race day for use by every team. *

Each team consists of 4 individuals.

Anyone is eligible to participate

Prizes are awarded for 1st, 2nd and 3rd place finishers in each category. Categories may be combined if there are not enough teams entered into a specific category.

Prizes are also awarded for “most creative,” “most patriotic,” and “best” costumes.

Requirements:

The race is run one bed at a time.

You are racing against the clock.

The top 5 teams in each category will be given the opportunity to run one additional race to improve their times. By running the second race, the team must forfeit the time run in the first race.

No team will be required to run twice within a 15-minute time span.

Each participant must ride on the bed once.

The bed must come to a complete stop before the rider gets off or on.

Three out of four Flags must be obtained before the clock stops.

There will be Two flags at the middle stop and two flags at the far stop.

Flags at each stop will be on opposite sides of the running lane.

Do not rely on officials to stop your bed at the finish line.

Five-second penalties are given for:

Failure to control the bed;

A rider gets off or on prior to stopping the bed;

If a bed does not stop within the lines or cones;

If all 4 riders have not ridden on the bed;

If the team fails to stop their bed at the finish line.

Any team interfering with the progress of another team will be disqualified and the race will be rerun if necessary.

The team members and bed must cross the finish line to complete the heat. If all team members are in contact with the bed when crossing the finish line, the leading edge of the bed will stop the clock. If any team member is separated from the bed, the clock will stop when the last team member crosses the finish line.

All decisions by the judges are final. While the goal may be to win, please recognize this is a community event hosted by volunteers purely for your enjoyment and safety, as well as the spectators.

*Custom beds are allowed but must follow requirements, reach out to coordinator for approval beforehand.