

Southeastern United States World Championships - Webster County Wood Chopping Rules

1. Engines exceeding 140cc are allowed in the Hotsaw elimination event held on Friday afternoon. The elimination format will consist of a time trial at the beginning of the show at 1 p.m. on Friday. From the time trials, the top 8 will be seeded in a bracketed format that includes two semi- finals of four that will be held on Sunday. The two fastest times from each semi- final will advance to the final. The athletes are not allowed to modify the chassis on the chains used for this event. The athlete must present the chain on the motor to a member of our Chopping Committee, for inspection prior to running in the event.
2. The Chopping Committee consists of Arden Cogar Jr., Paul Cogar, Melvin Lentz, Jason Lentz, Bill Cogar, Arden Cogar Sr and Matt Cogar.
3. The Production Hotsaw event will allow motors that are commercially built saws that have been modified and do not exceed 140cc. We will accept a split head, but the bottom cylinder must be an original head. If there is any question that a saw does not follow these guidelines, it will be checked.
4. The Stock Appearing Events Saws (5 cube) must have all covers and muffler. You may use a D handle. Top five winner saws will be checked to ensure that guidelines are met.
5. Contestants may enter only one class of Underhand and Standing.
6. SPRINGBOARD BLOCKS REQUIRE ONE UP HIT ON THE BACK SIDE OF THE BLOCK.
7. Wood for the Men's Single Buck event will be 19" – 24" pine or yellow poplar. Wood for the Women's Single Buck event will be 15" – 17" pine or yellow poplar. Chopping wood will be either pine or yellow poplar. The Championship Underhand will be 13". The Championship Standing will be 12", the Handicapped Underhand/Standing as well as the Master's events will be 11" to 12", the Springboard heat will be 11"; the Springboard final will be 14", and the Women's Championship Underhand will be 11". The Hot saw and two person Crosscut wood will be 12" yellow poplar. Boys under the age of 18 will be allowed to cut an 11" log in the Handicapped Underhand. The Hotsaw Elimination will be 17"+ pine.
8. Finals for Sunday will include the top 12 competitors in the Two-Man Crosscut, Jack & Jill Crosscut, Hot Saw, Standing Block, Underhand Chop and Single Buck. The Springboard will run eliminations both Friday and Saturday and the top six times will move onto the final Sunday. From the Saturday times and placements, the top 12 athletes in the Championship US Title Underhand and Championship Standing will be seeded in a bracketed format that will include three semi-finals of four athletes. The two fastest times from each semi-final will advance to a final that will consist of six

athletes. Given that we have four stands in the standing block event, the final will consist of two heats of three athletes based upon random seeding and judged by video timing with back up hand held timing. The semi- finals and finals of the Championship US Title Underhand will be judged by video timing with back up hand held timing. Placements for those that do not make the final in the Underhand and Standing Block will be based upon times from the semi-final rounds.

9. Contestants must be 50 years of age to enter the Masters events.
10. Slab Rule will be in effect. ONLY three nails are necessary. Please do not take more than 6 nails for each block. We have limited funds and we need to ensure we have ample nails for the Sunday Finals.
11. A sportsmanship rule will be in effect. Anyone exhibiting any unsportsmanlike conduct in the competition arena or in the staging area will be disqualified from the event for which they most recently completed; the competitor also runs the risk of forfeiting prize moneys earned during that event as a result of the unsportsmanlike conduct. ALL OFFICIALS OF THE WCWF will be judges in regards to the sportsmanship policy. Therefore, there will be many eyes enforcing this policy. However, disqualifications from the event and forfeiture of prize money for that event will be a WCWF Board of Directors decision and will be dealt with as soon as possible after the infraction.
12. To enter the Springboard event, you must have shown through previous experience that you qualify to be in the top 40 applicants. The Chopping Committee, listed above, will meet and confer on the final selections for the 40 contestants that qualify to compete in this event.
13. The handicap marks for the Handicapped Underhand, Handicapped Standing, Master's Underhand, Master's Standing and Master's Two Man cross cut will be performed by the Chopping Committee, listed above.
14. Please note that Bakers Island has a "No Pets Allowed" policy.
15. A BBQ style cookout for the competitors will be held at the Arden Cogar Sr. Chopping Pavilion following Saturday's competition.
16. All around points will count for each day for all events except Axe Throw and Springboard. Points run 8 for 1st down to 1 point for 8th. All around points in the events that have semi- finals and finals are determined by final placements.
17. Axe throw and Springboard final placements will receive points; 8 for 1st down to 1 point for 8th.

18. Axe throw eliminations will begin at 3 pm Friday afternoon morning and finish at 11 a.m. Saturday. If you have not thrown by 3 pm, you will be disqualified. The top eight athletes in the axe throw will advance to the Sunday finals. Places 9th through 12th will be determined by throw offs on Saturday.
19. Women's All Around will be awarded to the female competitor who competed in the Women's only events and received the most points at the end of competition. Total possibility of points to be earned is limited to the Women's only events and the individual points earned in the Jack and Jill crosscut.
20. Intermediate All Around will be awarded to the competitor who competed in both handicap chopping events and received the most points at the end of the competition. Points can be earned from any event resulting in a successful placing and is limited to the Handicapped events.
21. Master's All Around will be awarded to the competitor with the most points; is over 50 years of age and competed in the Master's chops and the Master's Cross Cut event.
22. Jack Cogar All Around will be awarded to the competitor with the most points from all other events not included in rule 19, 20 and 21. Individual points can be earned in the Jack and Jill crosscut.
23. Should a competitor feel that they have been slighted or wronged by a judge's decision or a rule interpretation, that competitor must bring their complaint to one of the following individuals – Arden Cogar Jr, Melvin Lentz, Paul Cogar, Matt Cogar or Jason Lentz. Arden, Melvin, Paul, Matt and Jason will then meet and confer and consult with the head judges for the event and the three current Board of Directors of the WCWF. The decision made concerning the competitor's complaint will be made by the head judge and three current Board of Directors of the WCWF. These decisions are final.