

Ten Steps to a Successful Pinewood Derby

1. Schedule a date with District Derby Coordinator or whomever is in charge if track equipment is to be rented or borrowed. Assign a Pack Meeting date for the Derby. The entire meeting time should be for the Derby. Date and Time: _____

2. Provide adequate indoor facility space for equipment, participants, and spectators.
Place: _____

3. Purchase kits ahead of time in quantities of eight for price break and distribute at least one month ahead of time. Assign: _____

4. Make sure BSA District Specific Derby rules are given out to ALL families in Pack to ensure fairness to ALL participants. This can be done most effectively at the same time the car kit is issued. Assign: _____

5. Determine what Awards will be given and Order or Make ahead of time. The awards should be given out after the Derby Race to be most effective. Assign: _____

6. Have Den or Pack "show and tell" workshop on "How to make a car." Suggest tools to use, Do's and Don'ts. Assign: _____

7. Pre-weigh-in whenever possible prior to official Derby Race. Many Packs will have a Pack Meeting night before the Derby where Pre-inspection take place. The cars are impounded for Race Day. This saves lots of time and headaches at the Derby. Assign: _____

8. Date/Time/Place: _____

9. Assign a Den or group of scouts to the event color guard.

10. Assign helpers in advance to each task (inspection team, decor team, registration team, awards team etc.)

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Thank everyone involved.