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Guidelines for Car Smash Events

Event Location:

The event location must be large enough to ensure that a 10 ft perimeter can be maintained around the vehicle being used.

The event should be located in an area where the noise from hitting the vehicle and/or the music associated with the event will not disrupt surrounding University operations.

The event should not be located near a storm or sanitary sewer drain.

Vehicle:

All hazardous materials (fuel, oil, radiator fluid, brake fluid, transmission/transaxle fluid, power steering fluid, windshield washer, battery, etc.) must be completely drained/removed from the vehicle prior to arrival on campus.

All glass and plastic must be removed from the vehicle prior to arrival on campus. This includes the windshield, windows, mirrors, headlights, taillights, etc.

A tarp or sheeting must be placed under the vehicle to contain any residual leaks.

The wheels of the vehicle must be chocked prior to the start of the event.

Safety Requirements:

The 10 ft perimeter must be maintained between the vehicle and the spectators when participants are hitting the vehicle.

If participants will be hitting the vehicle with a sledge type hammer, protective footwear (steel toed shoes or boots) must be worn.

A variety of sledge hammer sizes and weights should be available, so that participants can select a hammer that is appropriate for them.

Participants, and any other people standing in the 10ft perimeter around the vehicle, must be wearing safety glasses with side shields or goggles when the vehicle is being hit.

Participants must be wearing gloves (work gloves or equivalent) when hitting the vehicle.



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No one is permitted to stand on the vehicle at anytime.

Any part of the vehicle that comes off the vehicle must be picked or swept up between participants.

Security:

The vehicle/event must be monitored at all times by someone associated with the organizing group. This includes the overnight period, if the vehicle is to remain at the event site, or on campus.

If the vehicle is found not being monitored by a member of the group or organization, it will be considered abandoned and removed from campus at the organizer's expense.

End of the Event:

Once the vehicle has been removed from the site, the area must be completely cleaned and swept so that no debris remains.

In the event that fluids or staining from fluids is noticed on the ground after the vehicle is removed, contact the Department of Environmental Health & Safety at ext. 32999. The Department of Environmental Health & Safety will assess this situation and provide guidance on the appropriate remediation.

Event sponsors or organizing groups will assume all costs associated with the event including clean-up and removal of the vehicle.

Note:

Campus Security and/or the Department of Environmental Health & Safety may inspect the event. Failure to follow the above procedures could result in the suspension or cancellation of the event.