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The following are some car bashing guidelines that should be followed for any UNC-organized “car bashing” event. The sponsoring organization on campus is responsible for ensuring that these controls are implemented and that an on-site UNC employee is present at all times. If for any reason these guidelines are not being followed, the University will have the authority to immediately stop the event.

Car Bashing Guidelines

Car Preparation

- Before delivering the car (to be bashed) to campus the vehicle must be stripped of the following:
 - There may be NO glass anywhere in or on the vehicle
 - The engine, battery, and fuel tank must be removed
 - All airbags must be removed, if so equipped
 - The vehicle may NOT contain any gasoline or automotive fluids of any kind
 - Delivery and removal of the vehicle must occur on the same day of the event
 - Alert UNC Police Department (351-2245) of the event

Site Preparation and Cleanup

- The activity may not take place near a storm or a sanitary sewer drain
- The wheels must be chocked before the start of the activity
- A tarp or plastic sheeting must be placed under the car to contain residual leaks.
- The area around the perimeter of the vehicle must be sufficiently cordoned off (barricades) to prevent debris from striking spectators and to prevent anyone from being struck by a sledgehammer
- The activity perimeter must be adequately staffed for crowd control. These persons must have the authority to maintain or increase the perimeter distance as necessary for the safety of individuals gathered at the event. These persons must also wear safety glasses (with side shields) at a minimum
- One 10-pound ABC fire extinguisher must be present (at the site) at all times during the event.
- Clean-up shall begin immediately following the event. Area must be swept clean as it was before the event

Personal Protection

- Only a sledgehammer may be used to strike the vehicle and must be flat on both ends. No edged or axed ends are permitted.
- Only one participant may be in the activity area at a time
- Participants must wear leather gloves, close-toed shoes, and approved safety glasses (with side shields) at a minimum
- Participants may not stand on any part of the vehicle. When striking the vehicle, participants must have both feet on the ground

UNC may also require a consent form/waiver to be filled out by any participant.