## **Pinewood Derby Scale Instructions**

My Weigh Triton T2 550g (myweigh.com)





The scale should be on the desk with the cover removed and used as a tray resting on the measurement pad. The protective cover of the Triton is designed to also be used as a tray. The cover can only be removed when the scale is fully open. Fully open the scale to unlock the cover and slide towards the left of the scale.

- Turn the scale on (press the red button) with the cover on the pad as pictured.
- Wait for the self-test to complete, the display will then show 0.0
- Check the scale by weighing the test 5.0 oz weight
- Place a pinewood derby car in the tray to weigh and wait until the display stabilizes
- Cars weighing less than 5.049 pass, cars more than 5.050 are not accepted and fail
   (This scale is extremely accurate, it can weigh a grain of rice. 5.049 to is considered as rounded down to 5.0 for the derby)

## **Rules and Suggestions**

- It is highly suggested that you build your car so that it weighs less than 5.0 ounces and that you add a small amount of weight at inspection. Tungsten putty can be purchased at www.scoutstuff.org to add the exact amount of weight needed to your car.
- The display may wander slightly due to the extreme sensitivity of the scale. **Make sure no one is bumping the table!** The correct reading is achieved when the readout becomes stable.
- It may be necessary to offset the tray on the pad due to the center of gravity of the car.
- Check that the scale remains at zero after a car is removed, if the scale does not read zero when empty turn it on and off to reset.
- Once the car has been weighed and inspected the Scout should place the car on the display table. No
  one else is allowed to touch the car from this point on except for the Scout.
- After the inspection nothing may be modified on the car & additional lubricant or graphite **cannot be** added.
- Parents may help with repairs at the discretion and supervision of the Cubmaster, for example a wheel has fallen off a car.
- This scale is available for purchase on Amazon.com for approximate \$15

The scale use 3 AAA batteries (batteries should be removed from the scale following Council finals)

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