

**International Puppy LLC  
Presents  
International Puppy 2018 Contest  
Application & Contestant Guide**



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## Contest Rules:

Each International Contestant:

1. May identify as male or female and must be at least twenty one (21) years of age at the time of the event.
2. Must agree to appear onstage wearing appropriate gear and participate in all judging categories while conforming to all State and local regulations pertaining to nudity and obscenity laws. For the purpose of this contest, genital area must be covered at all times while in public and a one inch (1") strip of material must cover the anus at all times while in public, and on female pups nipples must also be covered while in public unless in areas where nudity is permitted.
3. Must own all gear worn onstage during the contest.
4. Must agree to represent the International Puppy Title, if he/she wins throughout their title year and refrain from competing in any Leather/Puppy/Rubber/Fetish Contest until the conclusion of their International Puppy Title year.
5. Must agree to permit onstage photographs to be taken of him/her for the use on the International Puppy, International Puppy Club, JJ's Clubhouse, websites or related publications of IPC's discretion.

Contestants should arrive at JJ's Clubhouse no later than 5:00pm Friday July 14, 2017 and should appear at all scheduled events during International Puppy 2018 Contest Weekend July 13 - 16, 2017.

Contestants are strongly encouraged to arrive Thursday July 14, 2017 or no later than Friday by 5 pm July 15, 2017 and depart no sooner than Sunday evening. Monday Departure would allow contestants time to decompress after their busy weekend of competition and allow for any travel delays/conflicts.

## Contestant Deadlines:

**REQUIRED - Deadline for contestants for IPC is 5:00 pm Friday, July 7, 2017.**

Contestants must bring 8 copies of their Application (pages 9 - 11), 1 copy of the Release Form (page 12), 1 Copy of their ID, 1 Auction Basket and their Contestant Fee. Contestants must sell 2 Advertisements for the Program either Half (1/2) Page or Full Page advertisements. Advertisement Prices can be found at: **www.INTL-pup.com** under the Advertise Tab. Deadline for Ads are June 25, 2017, and should be emailed to Joe@puppygraphics.com Advertisers should put your name in the email so we know who sold the ads. If ads are not sold you must bring 1 additional basket per ad

## Registration:

During registration all contestants will meet with 2 members of the Production Staff. During this time the Executive Producer (s) will go over the do's and don'ts during the weekend while competition is going on. They will also give you tips for interviews, speeches and will go over any requests to ensure that all props are within the IPC Standards and Safety. At this time you will also meet with our Stage Crew to go over what they will need to do to ensure your scene goes smoothly.

## Backstage Assistants:

Contestants are permitted one (1) Backstage Assistant to assist in wardrobe changes for both portions of the contest. Contestants with Interpreters are allowed one (1) additional backstage assistant, only if their Interpreter is not assisting with wardrobe changes. Backstage Assistants are required to be present for

pre-contest rehearsal and walk through. Backstage space is limited so please utilize IPC's Den Puppy first. Contestants must notify us during Registration on Friday of their Backstage Assistant to ensure they receive a Staff Badge

### **IPC's Den Puppy:**

Our Den Puppy is there to assist you during the contest weekend. The Den Puppy will make sure that you are on time to each event throughout the weekend. During the Contest ensure the Den Puppy knows what outfit you will be wearing during each portion of the contest if assistance is needed. The Den Puppy will be in charge of all contestants during IPC Weekend after Registration.

### **Interpreters:**

If you do not verbally speak or understand English, you must bring an interpreter with you and they must attend all official events and rehearsals with you.

IPC does not have the ability to provide Interpreters for all contestants in need. If you can not bring an Interpreter, Please contact Pup Tripp at puptripp@gmail.com prior to June 1, 2017 for assistance.

Your Interpreter will be given a ID Badge that authorizes them full access as long as they are with you. Bring your Interpreter with you to Registration on Friday July 7, 2017 to receive their ID Badge.

### **Eliminations:**

IPC reserve the right to eliminate any contestant or contestants after interviews depending on the number of contestants or for other reasons.

### **Contest Categories:**

**Interview:** Interview is 300 of 700 points and the biggest portion of your final score. Your interview will last only 10 minutes. Judges are not to touch or fondle any contestant during the interview and if a question is asked that is inappropriate the Executive Producers or Head Judge can and will stop the question.

1. Be in pup gear that best fits your personality, if you wear a hood remember to remove it after you meet the judges.
2. Shake hands or paws with the judges when you enter and before you leave, otherwise you could loss points.
3. International Puppy does not prepare questions for the judges nor do we approve their questions. Over the years we have seen judges ask about the puppy history, leather history, ask you to chase your tail, what Puppy means to you, what the Puppy Pride Flag means to you and even have you howl a song. If you do not know the answer let the judge know you will get back to them on that question and ensure that you do in writing to all judges (contestants have lost points for not getting back to that judge with an answer).
4. Remember our history. You can brush up on the puppy history by going to [www.humanpups.com](http://www.humanpups.com) or [INTL-pup.com](http://INTL-pup.com) under the History tab

**Image & Speech:** Image is 100 of 700 points and Speech is 150 of 700 points of your score.

**Image:** You should wear your best pup gear as if you were representing IPC at an event.

**Speech:** You will be given 2 minutes for your speech. The Time Keeper will not stop you after the 2 minute limit so if you go over there is a 10% deduction from your total Speech Score. Keep your speech short and to the point speak about what you are passionate about, but you want to ensure that the judges and audience knows what you are talking about.

**Pop Question:** The Judges will create Pop Questions, and after your Speech you will be asked to choose 1 question from the bowl, please read it to yourself and then hand the question to the Emcee to read to the audience. There are no points for this, but it is a show for the audience and there is no wrong or right answers, it is something that you can have fun with and give the audience a good laugh.

**Pup Play:** Pup Play is 150 of 700 points. Each Puppy contestant will appear onstage while performing a puppy play scene that they have written. The scene can be read by the emcee if requested by the contestant or they can use a sound track (must be on either a CD or USB Drive for the DJ). Judging in this category is based on the contestant's creativity and ability to convey their most playful puppy play scene. Contestants may involve additional pups, or they can request a volunteer staff member to help. Props may be used, but must be approved by the contest producers for safety and compliance with the law. The Pup Scene cannot exceed five (5) minutes in length. (NOTE: The fantasy is to be typed, try to keep it under 150 words and turned in at the Contestant Registration on Friday evening.)

### **Fraternization with the Judges:**

International Puppy Contestants are encouraged to get to know the judges and interact with them. However, contestants shall be prohibited from having private meetings or engaging in any Sexual Activity or Play Scene with the judges prior to the announcement of the contest results.

To avoid accidental violation of this policy, and being disqualified from competing, all contestants and judges must display their ID Badges at all times.

### **Contestant Suggestions:**

The International Puppy Contest is all about having a good time, socializing with fellow fetish community members and promoting the puppy lifestyle.

Contestants are required to participate in the weekend activities to be seen as an active member of the pup & Fetish community. We try our best to allow contestants enough free time to participate and be seen during the weekend while fulfilling their requirements to compete in the contest.

The International Puppy Weekend was created to have a great time. We encourage the contestants to have fun and entertain the audience to set this contest apart from many others. We also encourage you to work the Audience and Judges so that you will stand out on stage while competing.

During the contest, contestants are encouraged to demonstrate different pup looks representing the different judged categories. Time is scheduled during the contest, allowing contestants time for gear and look changes. Assistance is available from our Den Puppy or your personal assistant that each contestant is allowed. Remember only the Den Puppy is allowed on stage during your Pup Play scene.

Make sure you come prepared with a back up outfits and gear incase of accidents and blowouts (don't sneeze).

If you have any questions, please feel free to contact our Contestant Coordinator Tripp Hutchings.

## **Contest Judging Method:**

A panel of seven (7) Judges representing leaders in the community scores International Puppy Contestants. Judging is made up of four (4) categories and using the Olympic Scoring System where the High and Low score is dropped from each category. Bonus points are added to the Judges scores prior to being entered by the Tally Master. Categories and points are outlined below.

In Olympic Scoring System, the high and low score for each contestant in each category is dropped. The remaining scores are totaled for each contestant. The contestant whose overall score is the highest will be declared the winner, then 1st runner up. Total Scores must be above 70% in order for a winner to be announced even if you are the only contestant.

In the event of a tie under the Total Scoring System, the dropped high and low scores will be added back into the contestant scores in each category. In the event of any dispute regarding the tallying of the contest, International Puppy LLC shall make the final determination of the winner and 1st runner up.

### **Interview - Maximum of 300 points, up to 60 points per judge, Olympic Scoring:**

Each contestant will meet with the judging panel offstage and in a closed to the public setting, prior to the second (2nd) portion of the contest to answer questions about the contestant's interests in human puppies, fetishes, knowledge, willingness and ability to represent the title. Interviews will last no longer than 10 Minutes each contestant, so it is important to listen to the question being asked by the judges and respond in a concise and complete manner so that all judges have a chance to ask questions of the contestant. If the judges would like to know more, they will ask for additional information. Contestants should shake the judges hands upon entering and leaving the Interview.

### **Image - Maximum of 100 points, up to 20 points per judge, Olympic Scoring:**

Each contestant will appear onstage and be introduced to the audience by the emcee using information provided on the contestant's completed application. Judging in this category is based on how you present yourself as a "Human Puppy".

### **Speech - Maximum of 150 points, up to 30 points per judge, Olympic Scoring:**

You will be given 2 minutes for your speech. The Time Keeper will not stop you after the 2 minute limit so if you go over there is a 10% deduction from your total speech category. Keep your speech short and to the point, speak about what you are passionate about, but you want to ensure the Judges and Audience knows what you are talking about.

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## Expectations of the Winner:

1. As the Winner of the International Puppy Title, their primary responsibility is:
  - A. Promoting International Puppy Contest.
  - B. Promoting the Human Pup & Handler Community.
2. The Winner must do 2 IPC fundraisers during their title year.
3. The Winner will maintain contact with International Puppy Board letting the Board know of his/her travel schedule so that International Puppy can ensure the Titleholder has IPC literature and Giveaway items, it also allows International Puppy to help advertise events that our Titleholder will be at.
4. The Winner is requested to judge the following years contest along with his/her Step Aside Speech.

## Winners Prize Package:

The prize package contains the Title Holders patch, Winners medallion, amount of Contest Fees collected, a \$5000.00 Travel Fund Sponsored by Square Peg Toys and if any of the travel fund is left it is to be donated to the charity of your choice. It is also for you to come back at the end of your Title Year, the titleholder is also responsible for any damages to the hotel room. The Contestant Coordinator must be contacted on your travels for each month in order for IPC to make your travel arrangements. If you are driving to an event you must turn in your gas receipts to be reimbursed. Any other Sponsor gifts will also be presented to you at the Victory Brunch.

**1st Runner-up Prize Package:** The 1st Runner-up will receive a Medallion and any Sponsor Donated Items.

**2nd Runner-up Prize Package:** The 2nd Runner-up will receive a Medallion and any Sponsor Donated Items.

## Auction Baskets:

**Auction Baskets:** All monies raised from the auction baskets goes towards the operation of International Puppy LLC to help make the following year even bigger. No Owner takes a pay and all proceeds go into new and replenish merchandise, and the event weekend & contest.

## Contest Schedule:

**Preliminary Contestant Schedule, Please check our website for schedule updates:**

### **International Puppy 2016 Weekend Schedule**

#### **Thursday:**

6pm - Blue Ocean Sushi Dinner

9pm - Kick off party

9:30pm - Mosh Pit opens

#### **Friday:**

Morning Free: See the sights of St. Louis! check out the Botanical Gardens, St. Louis Zoo, St. Louis Art Museum or the Arch.

2pm - 2:30pm - It's OK not to be gay by Pup Incus

2:30pm - 3:30pm - Domestic Violence vs BDSM by Pat Machate

#### **5pm - Registration, Staff & Volunteer Meeting**

6pm -6:30pm - Prep Awareness by Ty Teachworth

6:30pm - 7pm -Trainer and puppy couples by Pup Incus

7:30pm - 9:30pm - Pup Crawl

9pm - Meet & Greet

#### **9:30 - Title Holder's Cocktail Party**

9:30 - Mosh Pit Opens

#### **Saturday:**

10am - 11:30am - PAH Summit

11:30am - 12pm - Leather and Gear Care by IMsBB Meghan and Seth

12pm - 1pm - Headspace & Event Drop by Dady C John

1pm - Lunch

1pm - Contestant Interviews

4pm - 5pm - Community Perspectives by Pup Tripp

5pm - Puppy Obstacle Course \*Open to ALL that want to compete\*

#### **7pm - Judges Dinner at JJ's Clubhouse & Bar**

#### **9pm - Doors open for the contest**

9:20pm - Parade of Colors

9:30pm - Contest Starts

11pm - Title Holder Pictures, Mama's Family Picture and then IPC's Community Photo

11:30pm - Mosh Pit Opens

#### **11:30pm - Tail Chaser's Ball in the Clubhouse.**

#### **Sunday:**

**11am - Victory Cookout & Dinner in a Dog Bowl at Linder's Pub**



## International Puppy 2018 Contest Contestant Registration & Application

**Deadline for Contestant Registration is Friday July 7, 2017 5:00pmCST.**

1. Please print or type clearly on this application. Complete and sign all forms including Photo Release.
2. Contestants must provide a current Government photo ID or Passport.
3. Contestants must pay the Registration Fee of \$20.00.
4. Bring a current Photo/Head shot and your Bio to be included in the Judges Packets.
5. Contestants must sell two (2) Advertisements for the Program. Payment and Ad must be received no later than June 25, 2017. If ads are not met the Contestant must bring 1 Basket for each Advertisements not sold.
6. Contestants are required to bring 1 Auction Basket.

<b>Human Name:</b>		<b>Puppy Name:</b>	
<b>Street Address:</b>			
<b>City:</b>	<b>State/Province:</b>	<b>Country:</b>	<b>Postal Code:</b>
<b>Phone #:</b>		<b>Email:</b>	
<b>Age:</b>	<b>Date of Birth:</b>	<b>Height:</b>	<b>Weight:</b>
<b>Puppy Breed (if chosen):</b>			
<b>Hair Color:</b>	<b>Eye Color:</b>	<b>Body Hair:</b>	
<b>Have you ever been convicted of a felony or any criminal activity?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If YES, please Explain:		<b>Have you ever appeared in any Pornographic Photos, Films or Videos?</b>  <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No If YES, please Explain:	
<b>Body Modifications: (piercings, tattoos, brandings etc.)</b>			

Official IPC Use Only	International Puppy Staff Name	Contestant Fee	2 Ads Sold	1 Auction Basket	Current ID or Passport	Signed Photo Release form	Staff Signature
			1				Contestant Signature
			2				

**If Applicable, list any clubs or organizations you are involved with:**

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**How long have you been a puppy and what got you involved into this lifestyle:**

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**What makes you a Puppy:**

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**What is your favorite piece of Gear:**

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**List other Fetishes/BDSM that you have interest in:**

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**Please tell us why you want to become International Puppy 2018:**

Empty space for contestant response.

**DO NOT WRITE BELOW THIS LINE - JUDGES SPACE FOR NOTES FOR INTERVIEWS**

Empty space for judges' notes.

## Photographic & Image Release Waiver

I, the undersigned, hereby give International Puppy LLC (dba: International Puppy Contest) (“IPC”), their photographers, legal representatives, agents or assigns, the right and permission to copyright, use, reuse, broadcast and/or publish any and all Photographic Pictures (including digital images) (pictures) of me, which shall be taken during IPC, or as a result of my preparation for IPC, or as a result of my having Participated in IPC, Pictures, as herein, shall include Portraits or reproductions thereof, including audio and videotapes, made through any media. I further assign the right to use such pictures in conjunction with my name, and through any media outlets, for any purpose deemed appropriate by the Sponsor. I hereby waive any right to inspect or approve the finish Pictures or the method of their eventual use, including any related audio, video or printed copy that may be used in conjunction therewith. I hereby release, discharge, and agree to save harmless IPC and the Sponsors, their photographers, legal representatives, agents or assigns, including those publishing and/or distributing the finished product, in whole or in part, from and against any liability or claim as a result of the use or publication of said pictures, including from any distortion, blurring, alteration, optical illusion or use in composite form, either intentionally or otherwise, that may occur or be produced in the taking, processing or reproduction of the pictures, their publication or distribution. I have read the foregoing Release and Waiver before signing below. I warrant my full understanding of its contents, and that I am of legal age to give my consent in this state.

## International Puppy Indemnification

I hereby certify that I have attained at least twenty one (21) years of age and that I, based upon mutual covenants and considerations (including granting me the privilege of attending and participating in the International Puppy Contest Weekend) will not hold the Board nor the individual and collective owners, officers, agents and employees thereof liable for any injury to my person or property during the period of the International Puppy Contest Weekend and I further agree to indemnify and save harmless the sponsors, the individual and collective owners, officers, agents and employees thereof from any and all liability, injury or economic loss or other damage.

## Compliance

By signing below I agree to comply with all rules and regulations set forth by International Puppy LLC and International Puppy Contest.

I certify that all information provided on the accompanying forms are accurate.

I certify that I meet all qualifications specified in the Qualification Statement.

I understand that if I win the contest I will be expected to fulfill the duties of the title as outlined.

Signed: \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_