

IWPA WEIGHT PULL JUDGE APPLICATION/TEST

NAME_____ADDRESS_____

PHONE_____E-MAIL ADDRESS_____

DATE_____

1. Have you attended an IWPA weight pull?_____How many?_____
2. Have you attended weight pulls sponsored by other organizations?_____How many?_____Sponsored by_____
3. Have you ever helped organize a weight pull?_____Where?_____
4. Have you served as a weight pull official?_____Where?_____
5. Have you entered and handled a dog in weight pull competitions? _____How many times? _____
6. How long have you been involved in weight pulls as a participant? _____
7. Are you a member, officer, etc of any service club, group or organization that might show practical experience relating to those qualifications that this office requires?

8. List three personal references that know of your qualifications for this position:

A. Name_____Phone_____

B. Name_____Phone_____

C. Name_____Phone_____

9. List other qualifications not already covered, using the back of this form if necessary

I promise to uphold the IWPA Constitution, By-laws and Standing Rules, be fair and impartial in my decisions.

Signed_____Date_____

Submit your Judges Application/Test and \$15.00 Fee (paid in US currency) to:

**John Podolak
IWPA Judge Chairperson
5109 Southfield Ct
Farmington, MO 63640
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To the Judge Applicant:

The following test has been designed for a more consistent and better understanding of the IWPA rules and how they should be interpreted by you, the applicant. All answers are contained in the official IWPA rule booklet.

There are 50 questions on the test. The applicant will be required to get at least 43 (85%) of these correct. In the event that you, the applicant fail to get 43 correct answers, you will be allowed to take the test over one week after you have been notified of your failing score. Once you have passed the test, completed the Apprentice Form and paid the appropriate fee, you will be added to the list of IWPA qualified judges. If you have any questions at all please contact the Committee Judge's Chairperson.

Thank you for your interest in the IWPA.

NAME _____ ADDRESS _____
CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____
REGION _____ PHONE _____ EMAIL _____

Total Correct Answers _____ Checked and Approved by _____ Date _____

Directions: Select the correct answer or fill in the blank; there may be more than one correct answer on the questions.

1. What surface/surfaces are unacceptable to conduct a pull on?
 - a. carpet
 - b. asphalt
 - c. sand
 - d. all of the above
2. What conditions would be acceptable in the layout of the pull chute:
 - a. downhill
 - b. uphill
 - c. level
 - d. none of the above
3. The chute barriers shall be a minimum height of:
 - a. 30"
 - b. 48"
 - c. 36"
 - d. 24"
4. How old must a dog be to compete in an IWPA sanctioned event? _____
5. Can a bitch in season be allowed to pull or be on the premises during an IWPA event?
Yes _____ No _____
6. List the acceptable dimensions of a sled to be used for snow pulling:
Runner width _____ Runners contact surface _____
Width of the sled _____
7. What is the measurement of the bridle on a wheeled cart? _____
8. What kind of tires must be used for a wheeled cart? _____
9. What is the minimum height? _____ Maximum height? _____
What weight must it be able to carry safely? _____
10. What are the dimensions of a snow and wheeled pulling chute?
Width _____ Length _____

11. Who is responsible for the overall supervision of the pull event? _____
12. Who is responsible for the completion of all forms and information required by the IWPA? _____
13. When may a chief judge disqualify any dog or handler for violation of the rules, or unsportsmanlike conduct, or abusive treatment of a dog? _____
14. List the weight classes of the IWPA _____
15. When a dog weighs 80 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs; what would the recorded weight be? _____
16. What weight class would a dog compete in if they weighed 80 $\frac{3}{4}$ lbs? _____
17. What are the positions that a handler may take when pulling his/her dog? _____
18. What is the maximum allowable weight of the vehicle used for the 20# class? _____
19. What constitutes double handling? _____
20. How many tangles during the same turn constitute disqualification of the dog competing? _____
21. What 3 situations constitute a tangle?
- a. _____
 - b. _____
 - c. _____
22. Who determines a tangle? _____
23. If any part of the harness or other equipment breaks and the handler chooses to attempt the pull again after repairs, where does the pull start from? _____
24. Is a sling shot start allowed? _____
25. What would constitute a sling shot start? _____
26. Where must the dog be positioned at the start of the pull? _____
27. May handlers reward their dogs with a treat after each successful pull if the dog is outside the pulling chute? _____
28. Who determines the load increments to be pulled? _____
29. A handler steps over the bridle of the pull cart/sled without touching the equipment, the dog or the pull surface between the start and finish line. When this happens, the dog follows the handler and tangles itself in the bridle. Would this be a rule violation if so what rule? _____

TRUE OR FALSE SECTION: Indicate the correct answer by clicking before either TRUE or FALSE.

TRUE	FALSE	Dogs shall achieve traction on the same surface as that which the sled/cart rides.
TRUE	FALSE	The bridle for the sled or cart shall consist of light chains or steel cables.
TRUE	FALSE	The sled runners shall consist of a P-tex material or steel runners
TRUE	FALSE	If using a wheeled cart, all tires must have the same air pressure prior to the event.
TRUE	FALSE	A crowd barrier is required to separate the spectators a minimum of 2 feet from the pulling chute.
TRUE	FALSE	The dog that wins its weight class will be allowed to compete in the next higher weight class.
TRUE	FALSE	If the sled/cart is in motion at the expiration of 60 seconds, the dog shall be allowed to complete the pull and the actual time required to make the pulls shall be recorded.
TRUE	FALSE	The handler has the option to have the cart/sled placed anywhere on the start line perpendicular to the line prior to his/her dogs attempt to pull the weight.
TRUE	FALSE	No dogs, including those not entered in competition shall be allowed in the area ahead of the starting line, except for the dog that is pulling.
TRUE	FALSE	If two or more dogs pull the same weight all go out of completion on the same round; the lightest dog will be declared the winner.
TRUE	FALSE	If a dog is competing for best percentage, the dog must pull at the designated load increment.
TRUE	FALSE	A handler starts calling his/her dog prior to stepping over the designated 16 foot line and is in contact with the pulling surface is disqualified.
TRUE	FALSE	Throwing a leash is considered baiting.
TRUE	FALSE	Any entrant protesting a violation of the rules has 24 hours after the event to do so in writing to the Judges Chair.