

Contest Guidelines:

- Your pet must be able to accompany you to the contest on September 13 at Waterfront Park.
- Pets must be registered in advance. One form per pet.
- All pets must be leashed, crated, caged, or otherwise controlled at all times and under the control of the accompanying guardian.
- Be creative!
- Children 12 and under with a pet in the contest must be accompanied by an adult.
- Owners are responsible for cleaning up after their own pet if needed.
- All owners must complete a Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement form.

Judging: Prizes will be awarded in the following categories:

- Spirit of Somerset (all contestants will be entered in this category)
- Smallest Pet
- Largest Pet
- Most Unusual Pet
- Owner Lookalike
- Most Original Outfit/Costume
- Best Pet Trick

Time & Staging:

Check in at the registration table located at Waterfront Park from 10:00 a.m. to 2:00 p.m.

Volunteers will direct all participants to the staging area at the appropriate time. Participants must be lined up and ready to go no later than 2:55 p.m. The contest begins at 3:00 p.m.

THIS FORM MUST ACCOMPANY ENTRY FORM

Spirit of Somerset Pet Contest

September 13, 2008

Release and Waiver of Liability Agreement

I, _____ (Owner/guardian of participating pet) acknowledge that I have voluntarily applied to participate in the 2008 Pet Contest being held at the Spirit of Somerset celebration.

I AM AWARE THAT ANY EVENT INVOLVING PETS IS A POTENTIALLY HAZARDOUS ACTIVITY, AND I AM VOLUNTARILY PARTICIPATING IN THIS ACTIVITY WITH FULL KNOWLEDGE OF THE POTENTIAL DANGER INVOLVED. I AGREE TO ASSUME ANY AND ALL RISKS OF BODILY INJURY TO MYSELF OR MY PET.

I verify this statement by placing my initials here _____.

As consideration for being permitted to participate in this event, I hereby agree that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse, partner and/or legal representatives will not make a claim against, sue, or attach the property of the Town of Somerset, Spirit of Somerset celebration organizers or SomeDogPark, Inc. for injury or damage resulting from the negligence or other acts, however caused, by any director, employee, agent, or volunteer of the Spirit of Somerset festival, Town of Somerset, or SomeDogPark, Inc.

Moreover, I forever release the Town of Somerset, Spirit of Somerset celebration organizers or SomeDogPark, Inc. and their officers, directors, employees, agents, volunteers, and/or representatives from and against any and all claims, demands, causes of action, losses, liabilities, damages and expenses (including reasonable attorneys' fees and costs) that I, my assignees, heirs, distributees, guardians, next of kin, spouse, and legal representatives now have, or may hereafter have, for injury or damage resulting from my participation in the Spirit of Somerset Pet Contest, or arising out of my use of the premises or property of the Town of Somerset and/or Spirit of Somerset celebration organizers.

I HAVE CAREFULLY READ THIS AGREEMENT AND FULLY UNDERSTAND ITS CONTENTS. I AM AWARE THAT THIS IS A RELEASE OF LIABILITY AND A CONTRACT BETWEEN THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AND MYSELF AND SIGN IT OF MY OWN FREE WILL.

PARTICIPANT INFORMATION:

Participant (please print)_____

Address_____

Pet's name_____

Signature_____ Date_____

(participant or parent/guardian of minor participant)

PARENT OR GUARDIAN of minors: I, (please print)_____

_____, as parent or guardian of the above-named minor, personally assume any and all risks of my child(ren)'s or ward's (wards') participation in the event. Furthermore, I give my permission for my child(ren) or ward(s) to participate in the event, and further agree, individually and on behalf of my child(ren) or ward(s) to all the terms and conditions stated above. I ALSO AGREE TO DEFEND AND INDEMNIFY THE MINNESOTA HISTORICAL SOCIETY AGAINST ANY AND ALL CLAIMS MADE ON BEHALF OF ANY CHILD(REN) OR WARD(S) OF MINE.