

WEIGHT PULL JUDGES APPLICATION

PLEASE SUBMIT PHOTO WITH ALL NEW APPLICANTS

New Applicant (Complete section 1 & 2)

Renewal (Complete section 1) Original date of sanction ___/___/___

Section 1

Application must accompany test**

Name of Applicant _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

Home phone (____) _____ Cell phone (____) _____

Male / Female DOB _____ Email: _____

Location(s) of Airport(s) you would be flying out of: _____

Section 2

*****TWO CLUB OFFICERS MUST SIGN FOR ALL NEW APPLICANTS, Application must accompany test*****

Signature of Applicant _____ Date _____

Name of Sponsoring Club _____

Signature of 1st Club Officer _____ Date _____

Signature of 2nd Club Officer _____ Date _____

Years involved with the American Pit Bull Terrier _____

Breeder _____ Owner _____

Weight Pulling _____ Conformation _____

Do you belong to an ADBA club? Yes/No (Name of Club) _____

Are you currently active in weight pulling? Yes/No In what capacity? _____

Have you participated in an ADBA Sanctioned Weight Pull within the last 2 years? Yes/No

Have you participated / attended the annual judges meeting & discussion fourem held during the

ADBA Convention? Yes / No If yes, please list year(s) attended. _____

Have you ever Aced a dog? Yes/No

Have you ever Championed a dog? Yes/No

Please list: (reg name & #) _____

Any weight pull being judged by a non-sanctioned weight pull judge or a judge whose sanctioning has expired, will cause the weight pull to be void and no points or refunds will be given.

*****ADBA reserves the right to suspend or revoke a judges' sanctioning with cause*****

ADBA SANCTIONED WEIGHT PULL JUDGE TEST –

Answer all questions in as much detail as possible. - Use additional page and attach to test if more room is required.
Upon completion, mail, fax or email to ADBA to obtain a new Weight Pull judge certification licence and/or renewal.
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1. How often must a sanctioned judge renew their sanctioning? _____ How does a weight pull judge get this renewal test? _____
2. Is there an age limit for a person to handle a dog in a weight pull? _____ Explain _____
3. When can a dog enter in a class lower than his own "natural" weight class? _____ Any exceptions? _____ Explain: _____
4. When a dog is competing in a pulling contest and is called to the show ring what happens? _____
5. Who decides if a dog is to be pushed through a pull, when a foul is called? _____
6. How are the cart handlers signaled to "push" a dog on the 3rd foul? _____
7. If a dog has a laceration, open sore, damage pads or any medical condition, that dog is to be excused from competition. True ___ False___ (mark one) When is the dog to be checked? _____
8. Can a dog that is pulling on track, wear any type of collar? Yes No. If yes, what type of (if any) is allowed? _____
9. In the regular class, if a dog weighs exactly 45lbs, what weight class would it be competing in? Explain _____
10. Can a dog while pulling have a collar or short lead dangle or drag on the track? Yes No (circle one)
11. If a handler becomes aggressive or gets too rough with their dog on the track, how do you handle it? _____ What rule of thumb is used to determine what "aggressive" or "rough" signifies? _____
12. Is the weight pull judge **required** to give everyone a body pound call? _____
13. Can the club use a separate timekeeper from the judge? _____ Explain: _____
- 14: What can be used as weight if the club runs out? _____ Who determines this? _____ Any Exceptions? _____
15. If you had two dogs that weigh the same, and pulled the same amount of weight, what would determine which dog wins? _____
16. How are the trophy awards determined? _____
- 17: List the weight classes for the regular pull: _____
18. List the weight classes for the Ace: _____
19. For the trophy awards, if two or more dogs pull out on the same weight, how would the winner be determined? _____
20. If two or more classes are combined and a larger dog chooses to sit out how many sit outs can he/she have and still be able to compete? _____ Explain: _____

21. Whose responsibility is it to ensure each contestant enters the event or decides to sit out upon every weight increase?
Judge Contestant (Circle one) Explain: _____

22. All tracks pull the same, therefore they can be loaded with the same amount of weight increases per round at every sanctioned event. (Bumps) True or False Explain: _____

23. How are awards determined? A: By pulling the most weight in the class B: By pulling the most weight per pound of body weight C: By being the smallest dog in the class. (Circle one)
24. In the ace class, do males and females compete against each other? _____
25. If a dog is two days from being nine months old, can that dog compete? _____
26. How far should handlers & dogs or spectators be from the ends or sides of the track? _____
 Who should make sure this is enforced? _____
27. The holding area should be positioned _____ of the pulling track, if site permits, far enough away so the pulling dogs will not be interfered with. (*Fill in the blank*) What do you consider "in front of the pulling track" to mean? _____

28. The Ace class will be combined with the regular class with the club making sure all judges books are kept straight.
True False (Circle one)
29. If a dog in the regular class weighs exactly 55lbs, how do you determine which trophy will the dog be competing for? _____

30. If a dog weighs exactly 55lbs in the Ace class, what trophy will it be competing for? _____
31. Spayed and neutered dogs are allowed to compete in a sanctioned Wt Pull event if ADBA registered. (Circle one)
True False
32. L.P.P. dogs are now allowed to compete in a sanctioned Weight Pull. YES NO (Circle one)
33. Two handlers may work the dog. Handlers _____ allowed to remain behind the dog, once the dog is released to pull. (*Fill in the blank*)
34. If a dog completes his pull off the weight pull track, is this considered a complete pull? Yes No (Circle one)
35. Does the judge or the handler decide how much time is allowed prior to beginning the pull? _____ Explain:

35. When can a handlers meeting be held? _____ It is required. _____ If yes, explain what items must be covered/addressed by judge.: _____

36. On a dogs 3rd foul, **must** the judge allow dog a "push" through the last pull if the contestant requests it? _____
 Explain: _____

37. If there is one dog entered in its weight class, it is to receive a place award by being the only dog entered in that class. (Circle one) True False
38. It is necessary for all four feet to be on the ground when the dog is released? _____ Any exceptions? _____

39. If a pull is interrupted by a foul or an alibi, the dog is... A) To be immediately taken back to the starting line and the pull will begin again. B) Allowed to be pushed through the pull, then the pull will begin again. - Circle one. Any exceptions? _____

40. What do you feel is more important when judging? A) To treat all contestants fairly with equal consideration? Or B) Make sure the contest is completed within a reasonable amount of time? Explain: _____
41. Handler will allow no more than _____ & no less than _____ of slack the in the traces. Explain: _____
42. What does L.P.P. status mean? Explain: _____
43. Can a weight pull judge call a foul on a dog for something that is not specified in the weight pull rules? _____ Explain: _____
44. ADBA weight pulls are open to any/all ADBA registered dogs regardless of breed? (Circle One) Yes No
45. When weighing a dog in, how do you determine what class the dog will be competing in if it weighs 42.50 lbs.? Explain: _____
46. As of the 2024 ADBA convention, the requirement of placing tape on weight in scale was removed. (Circle One) Yes No A) Existing weight pull class divisions remain the same. (Circle One) Yes No
47. How much time is a contestant allowed to re-weight the dog if the judge permits it? Explain how this process works. (Use additional sheet if necessary.) _____
- _____ If a re-weigh is allowed how many times can a contestant do this? _____
48. Is there a 30-pound handicap given in ADBA wt pull rules? (Circle One) Yes No
49. A club can "opt out" of holding the 75 pound and over classes IF ADVERTISED in the GAZETTE prior to the event being held. When did this rule come into effect? _____
50. IF a dog shows up, and the club has "opted out" of holdin this class, is the contestent sent home? Yes No (Circle one) Explain what option they have: _____
51. Give the points awarded for: 1st place _____; 2nd place _____ 3rd place _____. Trophy Award: _____ in the regular class.
52. Give the points awarded for: 1st place _____; 2nd place _____ 3rd place _____. Trophy Award: _____ in the ACE class.
53. What is required of a sanctioned judge to do when changing email address, mailing address or phone number? _____
54. The responsibility to ensure there are enough ADBA sanctioned weight pull judges available to host an ADBA sanctioned weight pull, is the responsibility of the Hosting Club. Yes No (Circle one)
55. Voice command only is to be used to encourage a dog to pull. Are there any exceptions to this rule? _____ What do you consider as "bait?" _____
56. When there is a "new rule" or "policy" with ADBA events, how will a sanctioned judge learn what the new policy or rule(s) are? Explain: _____
57. How does a weight pull judge know if they have the current weight pull rules and/or current weight pull test? _____ a) Can you also tell by looking at date at bottom on the last page of rules and test? (Example: 02/19/19) Yes No (Circle one)
58. Explain what the responsibilities of the weight pull judge(s) judging the event, regarding the Judges Books that the club turns into ADBA to be record? _____
59. If there are any alterations to the judges' books, is it the responsibility of the judge to intial the alteration? (Circle one) Yes No

60. Is it the weight pull judge(s) responsibility to ensure all dogs listed on judges' books have names, ADBA reg #'s and final weight pulled? Yes No (Circle one)
61. Disrespectful actions toward fellow judges, sanctioned clubs and/or sanctioning body can get a judge suspended or dis-sanctioned by the ADBA. True False (circle one)
62. Can a weight pull judge, judge their own dog, or a family members dog competing in the weight pull? _____
Any exceptions? _____
63. It is the handlers' responsibility to know when they are coming in. TRUE FALSE (Circle one) Explain: _____
64. What happens when the weight pull judge is also pulling their dog in the pull they are judging? _____
65. Must the alternate judge sign the judges' book next to the entire class they judged? _____
66. Is it the alternate judge(s) responsible for ensuring all dogs they judged are listed in the judges' books, and have full names, ADBA reg #'s and final weight pulled? Yes No (Circle one)
67. Judges will weigh all dogs in and record weight of dog by omitting the use of 10th's (round down) when using a digital scale. Do we use the same method on a non-digital scale? TRUE FALSE (Circle one) Explain: _____
68. Chalk board/Dry Eraser – is used for recording weight and time each dog pulls. Is this to be used by contestants and/or judge to determine final awards? Yes No (Circle one)
69. Is the weight pull judge responsible for data placed on the Chalk board/Dry Eraser board? Yes No (Circle one)
Explain: _____
70. What is an alibi? _____
71. How do you determine the winner in the case of equipment malfunction? _____
72. Can the handler request an alibi be called? _____ What happens when the judge determines an alibi is called on a dog? _____
73. If there are 4 or less ACE dogs competing, can the ACE dogs enter to pull of the Most Weight Pulled Trophy only? (Circle one) Yes No
74. Can the ACE dogs earn regular weight class placements points when pulling for MWP trophy? Yes No (Circle one)
Explain: _____
75. When is the weight class to be chosen by the contestant? _____
76. What year did this rule change? _____
77. If a dog at weigh-in 35 pounds, and the contestant chooses to enter the 25-35lb class the 1st day, can that same dog move to the 35–45lbs class on the 2nd or 3rd days event using the weight from the 1st day? Yes No (Circle one)
Can that same dog, re-weigh before the event starts on the 2nd or 3rd day so it can move classes? Yes No (Circle one) Explain: _____
78. The weight pull judge and/or family members can not enter or pull a dog in a wt. pull that he/she is judging unless an alternate judge, judges the entire class the dog is entered in. True False (Circle one) Any Exceptions? _____
79. The alternate judge MUST sign the judges' books next to the class(s) they judge. True False (Circle one)
80. The head judge AND all or any alternate judge(s) are to stand with head judge during Handlers Meeting. Yes No
81. If a judge has an ACE dog pulling in the 45-55lb class, must an alternate judge, judge all the dogs pulling in the 45-55lb class, or just the dogs entered in the 45-55lb ACE class? Explain: _____
- Any exceptions? _____

***By signing below and upon achieving ADBA sanctioning, I agree to always hold myself to a higher standard of conduct.
I will also demonstrate good sportsmanship and integrity while judging or competing at all ADBA events.
This signature also certifies that I have met all weight pull judge requirements and I have completed this test with no outside assistance of any kind. I understand my weight pull judging license is valid for three (3) years from the date of passing the test and that a new test must be taken and passed to have my judging license renewed. I also understand that if there are any adjustments made to the weight pull rules, I may have to re-certify my judging license.***

Applicant's Signature _____ Date _____ Best time to contact _____

(03/05/24)