



Leash Pulling Contest General terms and conditions

Generic Schedule:

The generic schedule for a Leash Pulling Training/Contest will be

<i>Approximate Time</i>	<i>Activity</i>
1/2 hour	Registration, introduction
1/2 hour	Initial ranking
1/2 hour	Theory
1/2 hour	Practice
1/2 hour	Self-study with access to coaching
1/2 hour	<i>Break</i>
1/2 hour	Self-study with access to coaching
1/2 hour	Final ranking
1/2 hour	Evaluation and prizes
Total of 4 1/2 hours	

Please find the specific times and locations at

<http://k9joy.com/dogtraining/LeashPullingContest.php>

Rules:

- All dogs must wear a **solid, non-stretching collar** and be led by a handler that has full physical control over the dog through a solid, **non-retractable leash of maximum 2 m length** (6 feet).
- All handlers are expected and allowed to **use rewards** of any relevant nature, including praise, petting, treats, toys, etc. Each handler must make his/her own judgments in this regard, as instructed.
- Handlers are allowed to **wear gloves** and use any **solid fixed-length leash** of their choice (retractable leashes not allowed).
- **No obstruction/interference** with other students' training allowed – all dogs must be kept at a distance from each other so they cannot reach each other by any sudden launching.



Handlers that are incapable of or unwilling to keep their dogs at distance from all other dogs will be disqualified and dismissed with no refund of their deposit.

- **No choke collars or any pain causing devices** allowed (this includes choke chains, pinch collars, and all kinds of electrical or electronic devices, and also “halties” or any kinds of harnesses).
- **No noise-making devices** allowed (this includes Martingale collars...)
- **No water-squirting bottles** or other devices meant for negative reinforcement or deterrent are allowed.

The participants will be ranked in order of who has the dog that pulls the worst/least. The judgments will be done by K9joy staff and/or local representatives.

The evaluation will be done by comparing the ranking before and after the training. The first winner will be the handler/dog team that shows the largest **improvement in their ranking**. Second winner will be the handler/dog team that shows the second largest improvement in ranking, and so on.

In case of a tie, the judges may call for an additional tiebreaker with the people/dogs who achieved the tie. The dogs that can walk the longest without the leash tightening will win. The judges may add other relevant criteria if needed, and their rulings are indisputable.

First winner will be allowed to choose his/her prize first. Second winner will be allowed to choose second, and so on, until all prizes are claimed.

All participants will receive a free CD with Mogens Eliassen’s e-book [“Don’t Pull on the Leash”](#) and will be allowed to buy other e-books on CD and/or leather leashes at a discount.

Prizes:

The specific prizes for each event will be subject to which of our courses/seminars/workshops are offered in the area.

We do not issue “rain checks”, but we will always allow any prize to be substituted with an e-book of the winner’s choice or a ticket for any of the seminars we offer, including seminars in other areas, if it should fit. (This offer does not include courses and workshops with limited participation, though....)