

**Waiver and Release: Must be signed!**

This Waiver, Release and Covenant Not to Sue and Indemnification Agreement must be signed by the owner of the dog to be accepted. I understand that participating in the Canine Costume Contest (the Event) includes an element of risk for both my dog and myself. I agree to abide by any decision of an Event official relative to my dog's and my safety and the safety of other dogs and their owners. I further assume any and all other risks associated with participating in the Event including, but not limited to, illness, traveling to and from the Event, falls, contact with spectators, other participants or dogs, all such risks being understood and appreciated by me. I also affirm that the dog or dogs I will be participating with have a current rabies vaccination. I agree to abide by all the rules of the Event.

Having read this waiver, and knowing these facts, and in consideration of the acceptance of my entry, I hereby for myself, my heirs, executors, administrators or anyone else who might claim on my behalf, covenant not to sue, and hereby waive, release and forever discharge UPCO United Pharmacal Co., Inc. and the Humane Society of St. Joseph and Buchanan County Missouri, its directors, officers, and employees, Event officials, volunteers, and any sponsors, suppliers, agents, independent contractors, employees and other personnel in any way assisting or connected with the Event from any claims or liability of any kind whatsoever arising out of my dog's or my participation in the Event, including both pre-Event and post-Event activities, even though such liability may arise out of negligence or carelessness on the part of the person or parties named in this waiver.

I also understand that UPCO United Pharmacal Co., Inc. and the Humane Society of St. Joseph and Buchanan County Missouri, and any sponsor or subsequently use, for publicity or promotion purpose, my name or pictures of me or my pet without liability of obligation to me.

\_\_\_\_\_  
Date Guardian of Dog-Signature

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Date Parent/Guardian of Minor,  
Showing Dog, if under 18-Signature



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**Humane Society of St. Joseph  
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presents the  
13th Annual  
**Canine  
Costume  
Contest**

Saturday  
October 3, 2009  
2:00 p.m.  
at  
Felix Street Square  
in downtown  
St. Joseph, Missouri

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Dress your favorite canine  
in a Halloween costume  
and come join in the fun!  
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All proceeds to benefit the Humane Society of St. Joseph.

## Description of Event:

The Canine Costume Contest is an event for pets and their people. The dogs (and in many cases their owners) dress up in creative costumes and compete for fun, the chance of winning a prize and the ultimate honor of the coveted 1st, 2nd or 3rd place ribbon in the following categories:

Cutest Dog Costume

Most Comical Dog Costume

Most Unique Dog Costume

Scariest Dog Costume

Group Theme Costume (dogs with or without owners in costume)



Registration begins at **1:00 p.m.** and the Costume Contest begins at **2:00 p.m.**

Pre-registration is encouraged to avoid long lines on the day of the event. Plus, the first 50 entries will receive one goodie bag per household.

We encourage dogs to bring their guardians to the event whether they enter the contest or not. It is a great way for dogs to learn socialization skills.

We always encourage spectators and the dogs welcome their cheers and applause.

## Canine Codes of Conduct:

1. All costume contest participants must sign a waiver and complete a registration form.
2. Dogs must be leashed and under control at all times. (Please no leashes over 6' in length)
3. All dogs over 3 months of age must be current for rabies vaccination.
4. Females in heat may not attend the event.
5. Dogs should be in good health and sociable with other dogs and people.
6. Any unruly participant will be asked to leave.
7. Participants are expected to practice responsible pet ownership. Please be prepared to clean up after your dog.
8. Water for dogs will be served community bowl style. Please bring your own bowl if you require a separate drinking container for your pet.

NOTE: Use separate form for each entry.  
Photocopies are acceptable. Please print.

## Costume Contest Registration Form

Last Name \_\_\_\_\_ First Name \_\_\_\_\_

Mailing Address \_\_\_\_\_

City \_\_\_\_\_ State \_\_\_\_\_ Zip \_\_\_\_\_

Contact Phone \_\_\_\_\_

Email Address \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed or Neutered \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name \_\_\_\_\_ Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Spayed or Neutered \_\_\_\_\_

**WE MUST HAVE RABIES INFORMATION  
TO PROCESS YOUR ENTRY**

Date of last rabies vaccination \_\_\_\_\_

Rabies Tag No. \_\_\_\_\_

**Registration Fee** 1st Dog \$15.00

**Per Guardian:** Additional Dogs \$5.00 each

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*Make check payable to the Humane Society of St.  
Joseph and send with this registration form to:*

Humane Society of St. Joseph  
Canine Costume Contest  
P.O. Box 6036  
St. Joseph, MO 64506

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***UPCO will donate all proceeds to the  
Humane Society of St. Joseph***