

## Rules

1. The Dog Costume Contest is open to anyone and is free. No entry fee.
2. Dogs must be leashed and under a handler's control at all times. Each dog must have his/her own adult walker (children allowed to participate with adult.)
3. All entrants must submit a signed entry form to a Vision of Wallkill (VOW) member prior to entering.
4. You will be solely and completely responsible for the actions of your dog. You must maintain safe distances from other dogs and humans. Dogs must be under control at all times. Dogs must be sociable with other animals, adults, children, and not aggressive about food, toys or owner. Dog must be comfortable in a loud and festive environment. Please be aware of the stress level of your pet at all times. We want this to be a positive experience for everyone.
5. The Town of Shawangunk, Town officials, Vision of Wallkill Association, Wallkill Public Library, members of Vision of Wallkill, and its volunteers may not be held responsible or liable for the actions of any dog that results in harm to other animals or humans.
6. Your dog must have up-to-date vaccinations and be in good health.
7. You must clean up after your dog.
8. Vision of Wallkill Members have the right to refuse any costume that they deem is not an appropriate topic to be viewed by all ages.
9. Vision of Wallkill Members have the right to refuse and/or eject any dog whose behavior is deemed aggressive and dangerous to other dogs or humans. Sponsors reserve the right to refuse entrance, or ask to leave, anyone whose pet is exhibiting aggressive behavior.
10. The judge's decisions are final.
11. No entrant is eligible for more than one award.
12. Entrants agree to be photographed for Vision of Wallkill and/or Town of Shawangunk promotional purposes. This may include photographs that are displayed on future flyers, displays or on our Website, Facebook or Instagram pages.
13. All Dog Costume Contest participants are to respect other participants and their costumes.
14. The categories of judging are:

	<i>Contest Categories</i>	<i>Details</i>
<i>1</i>	<i>Funniest Costume</i>	<i>If you split a gut laughing when you see it, you found the winner!</i>
<i>2</i>	<i>Most Creative Costume</i>	<i>This is the "OMG, I would have never thought of that!" category.</i>
<i>3</i>	<i>Best Costume Overall</i>	<i>The best of the best!</i>

*Judges will choose winners based on showmanship, humor, originality, design & color, tasteful and creative presentation. Use your imagination! Homemade costumes are often the best. Even if you want to get a store-bought costume, doctor it up to make it your own and WIN!*