



Musher Application & Agreements

Please print legibly and fill in completely (see PRIVACY POLICY below).

Name _____ Age on race day: _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____

Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Best time of day to contact you/Best method to contact you _____ / _____

Dog Handler _____ Handler's cell phone _____

Please check if you are requesting to stay with a host family

Privacy Policy: *We will not divulge your contact information without your permission. Idaho Sled Dog Challenge will communicate largely by e-mail, and may send group e-mails: info@idahosleddogchallenge.com.*

ENTRY FEES: Check the race you are running

Postmarked by:	<input type="checkbox"/> 37 mile Junior Race (6 Dogs)	<input type="checkbox"/> 100 Mile Race (8 dogs max, 6 dog min)	<input type="checkbox"/> 300 Mile Race (12 dogs max, 8 dog min)
October 1	\$25	\$150	\$300
November 1	\$30	\$200	\$400
December 1	\$35	\$250	\$500
January 15	\$50	\$300	\$600

- Mushers are required to read and understand the race rules
- A completed Musher Profile Sheet is required for entry. Please fill out and return with entry.
- Payment can be by check to Idaho Sled Dog Challenge or by credit card.

Credit Card # _____ Name on Card: _____

Expiration Date: _____

Please either scan and email or mail, your signed entry form, waiver, musher profile and photo to:

Idaho Sled Dog Challenge e-mail: info@idahosleddogchallenge.com

PO Box 1022McCall, Idaho 83638 website: www.idahosleddogchallenge.com



Agreements

I agree to be responsible for my conduct and that of my handlers and dogs. I understand and agree to run under the Idaho Sled Dog Challenge Race Rules and that no abuse of dogs will be tolerated. I shall abide by the race officials' decisions. I understand and agree that I and all mushers shall abide by the decisions of the race marshal regarding any incidents.

I understand and agree that I shall attend all mandatory meetings, including the pre-race mushers meeting, the vet check, and the award banquet.

I hereby grant permission to Idaho Sled Dog Challenge to photograph me and any dog participating with me in the Event. I hereby consent to and permit such photographs to be used by Idaho Sled Dog Challenge for any legitimate purpose, and in any medium, including print and electronic. I further waive any claim for compensation of any kind for use or publication of such photographs by Idaho Sled Dog Challenge.

Signature _____ Date _____

Waiver, Release and Indemnification Agreement

A signed Waiver, Release and Indemnification Agreement is required for entry. This agreement, dated this ____ day of _____, 20 __, is by and between _____, ("Participant") and McCall Ultra Sled Dog Challenge, LLC dba Idaho Sled Dog Challenge, its Board of Directors, agents, volunteers, members, sponsors, successors in interest and assigns. For consideration received, and in return for participation in the Idaho Sled Dog Challenge, Participant, Participant's assigns, heirs, and representatives, hereby agree as follows:

1. Participant acknowledges there are inherent risks associated with sled dog races and related activities such as described below, and hereby expressly assumes all risks associated with participation in such activities. The inherent risks include, but are not limited to property damage or loss, personal injury, or death. Participant acknowledges that sled dog racing, by its very nature, is a dangerous and unpredictable event, and subject to the weather and terrain extremes, and is a physically demanding activity as well. Participant assumes all risks in connection therewith and expressly waives any claim for injury or loss arising there from. Participant agrees to abide by and follow Idaho Sled Dog Challenge's rules and regulations, which shall be posted and available upon request. Participant further acknowledges that the risk is contingent to some degree upon the ability of Participant and assumes all risk there from and warrants that he/she possesses the requisite skill, experience, abilities, and physical conditioning to engage in sled dog racing activity. Prior to the start of the race, Participant agrees to undertake all necessary investigation and inspection of the race course, start and finish areas, and any other areas in which Idaho Sled Dog Challenge activities will take place, in order to sufficiently familiarize Participant with all aspects of the race. Participant further agrees that his or her participation in any Idaho Sled Dog Challenge race activity does constitute an acknowledgment of such inspection and acceptance of such course and other areas as safe and reasonably suited for the purposes of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge sled dog race events and related activities. Participant agrees that, if at any time, he or she believes the areas outlined above to be unsafe or inadequate, he or she will immediately notify the proper official of such concerns and leave the area. Participant expressly releases Idaho Sled Dog Challenge from any and all



2. claims for personal injury, death, or property damage, even if caused by the negligence of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge (if allowed by the laws of this state) by Idaho Sled Dog Challenge or its representatives, agents or employees.
3. Participant agrees to hold harmless, indemnify and defend Idaho Sled Dog Challenge against, from any and all claims, demands, caused of action, damages, judgments, orders, costs or expenses, including attorneys fees, whether actually incurred or not, which may in any way arise from or be in any way connected with Participant's participation in the events of, or presence upon the property of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge, and public and private facilities being utilized by Idaho Sled Dog Challenge for the purposes of presenting the race.
4. Participant warrants that all dogs brought to any race facility, start or finish line, remote checkpoint, or other area under the control of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge, whether said dog is participating in the racing activity or not, shall be free from infection, contagious or transmittable diseases. Participant will provide documentation indicating compliance with any and all veterinarian imposed health requirements, a list of which is available to Participant listed in the Race Rules. Idaho Sled Dog Challenge reserves the right to refuse access to or use of any dog upon the premises or in participation of the race that does not appear to be in good health, or is deemed dangerous or undesirable.
5. Participant agrees to waive the protection of any applicable statutes in this jurisdiction whose purpose, substance or effect is to provide that a general release shall not extend to claims, material or otherwise, which the person giving the release does not know or suspect to exist at the time of executing said release.
6. If any part or parts of this Agreement shall be held unenforceable for any reason, the remainder of this Agreement shall continue in full force and effect. If any provision of this Agreement is deemed invalid or unenforceable by any court of competent jurisdiction, and if limiting such provision would make the provision valid, then such provision shall be deemed to be construed as so limited.
7. The covenants, conditions, waivers, and agreements contained in this Agreement shall apply to and bind the parties and the heirs, legal representatives, successors and permitted assignees of the Parties.
8. This Agreement constitutes the entire Agreement between the parties and supersedes any prior understanding or presentation of any kind preceding the date of this Agreement. There are no other promises, conditions, understanding or other agreements, whether oral or written, relating to the subject matter of this Agreement. This Agreement may be modified in writing only, which must be signed by all Parties.
9. If Participant is under 18 years of age on the date of the event contemplated in this Agreement, this Agreement must be signed by his or her legal guardian in the presence of an Idaho Sled Dog Challenge official or shall be notarized. Failure to obtain guardian's signature as required in this section will result in Participant's exclusion from any of the events of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge.

Participant's signature: _____ Date: _____



Waiver for Minor Aged Participants

As the parent and/or legal guardian for the minor Participant identified above, I hereby accept and agree to all of the terms and conditions of this Agreement in connection with the minor's participation in the events of Idaho Sled Dog Challenge. If, despite this Agreement, I, or anyone on the minor Participant's behalf, makes a claim for liability against any of the released parties, I will indemnify, defend and hold harmless each of the released parties from any such liabilities which may be incurred as the result of such claim.

Parent/Guardian's signature: _____ Date: _____ Print name of

Parent Guardian: _____

Idaho Sled Dog Challenge Official's Approval:

Signature:	
Date:	

If Parent/Guardian will not be present at the event, their signature above must be notarized.

STATE OF _____

ss:

County of _____

This instrument was acknowledged before me on this _____ day of _____,

by _____ as parent or guardian of _____,

Participant.

Notary Public for _____

My Commission Expires _____



Musher Profile

Name: _____

Years Racing _____

Address _____

City _____ State _____ Zip _____

E-Mail _____ Phone _____

Cell Phone _____ Work Phone _____

Best Time of Day to Reach You By Phone _____

Family _____

Occupation _____

Hobbies _____

Kennel Name _____ Number of Dogs _____

Dog Breed(s) _____

Lead Dogs Names _____

DogsNames _____

Sponsors _____

When and how did you get started mushing?



Your Mushing Highlights:

Future Goals:

Comments or Suggestions to Help Us Improve Our Race

This information (except for your personal contact info and the comments or suggestions) will be used for publicity at race central and in the press. Personal contact info is confidential.

Please send a recent photo or advise if you'd like to use your photo from a prior year.



Idaho Sled Dog Challenge

The 2020 Idaho Sled Dog Challenge will include –

- A 300 mile Iditarod and Yukon Quest Qualifier
- A 100 mile race and
- A 37 mile Junior Race for ages 14 to 17

Additionally the Idaho Sled Dog Challenge is the middle Leg of the Rocky Mountain Triple Crown

GENERAL INFORMATION

1. There will not be a pre-race Ceremonial Start as in previous races. The 2020 official start is moved to The Little Ski Hill and there are four road accessible checkpoints.
2. Vet Checks
Parking Lot - Northeast corner of strip mall (Ridley's) and North of the McCall Post Office
495 Deinhard Lane, McCall, ID
3. Straw for the race will be furnished to each team.
4. Accommodations: Hotel space is limited during Winter Carnival so we recommend that you make reservations early with local hotels or a Vacation Rental by Owner. We will make every effort to accommodate those of you who have requested to stay with a host family.
5. Additional Resources for lodging, restaurants, services:

McCall Area Chamber of Commerce
www.visitmccall.com

Cascade Chamber of Commerce
www.cascadechamber.com



2020 Schedule

JANUARY 28

11:00 AM to 3:00 PM – Vet Checks - Must arrive no later than noon

Parking Lot - Northeast corner of strip mall (Ridley's) and North of the McCall Post Office
495 Deinhard Lane, McCall, ID

4:00 PM – Musher Meeting (Closed to the Public)

Idaho First Bank building, lower level, 475 Deinhard Lane, McCall, ID.

Musher attendance required.

5:30 PM - Meet the Musers Program and Pot Luck. 6:00 PM Open to the public

Idaho First Bank building. Bib numbers will be drawn at that time.

Musher attendance required.

JANUARY 29 – 11:00 AM – 300 MILE RACE START

The Little Ski Hill, 3635 Hwy 55, McCall, ID

Musers **MUST** arrive at the parking lot by 8:00 am

JANUARY 30 – 11:00 AM – JUNIOR RACE START

The Little Ski Hill, 3635 Hwy 55, McCall, ID

Musers **MUST** arrive at the parking lot by 8:00 am

JANUARY 30 – 11:15 AM – 100 MILE RACE START

The Little Ski Hill, 3635 Hwy 55, McCall, ID

Musers **MUST** arrive at the parking lot by 8:00 am

JANUARY 30 – JUNIOR RACE FINISH at WYE CHECKPOINT

JANUARY 31 –

100 MILE RACE FINISH at CASCADE

300 MILE RACE FINISH at THE LITTLE SKI HILL

FEBRUARY 1

5:00 PM – Musher Meeting

6:00 PM – AWARDS BANQUET

North Fork Lodge, 200 Scott St., McCall, ID



FOUR CHECKPOINTS – All road accessible

WYE TRAIL HEAD & CAMPGROUND CHECKPOINT– A campground at the north end of the Weiser River Trail. This will be a Tent setup with electricity. Water will be supplied from a tank.

Driving directions: From New Meadows go west six miles on Hwy 95 and turn left at Tamarack View Dr. and WYE Campground sign, then follow the road east ½ mile to the checkpoint.

PLATT WARMING HUT CHECKPOINT– A combination warming hut and groomer garage at the intersection of West Mountain Road and No Business Rd. It is large, has heat, electricity, a place to sleep and an adjacent restroom. Water is from an artesian well about 100 yards south of the building. Teams will be parked in an open field across the road east of the warming hut. The community will provide food and beverage.

Driving Directions: From Donnelly go west 3.7 miles on W Roseberry Rd. to West Mountain Rd., then turn right and go north 1.3 miles to Platt Warming Hutt.

CASCADE LAKE CHECKPOINT– The checkpoint is at the eastern shore of Cascade Lake in Cascade Lake State Park. Teams will be parked immediately north of the boat ramp. The basement of the adjacent Pro Shop and Lakeside Restaurant is available to sleep. Food and beverage is being supplied by the community.

Driving Directions: From N Main Street in Cascade go south on Old State Hwy ½ mile to the lake shore. The checkpoint will be in the park on the right side of the boat ramp.

CASCADE CONTINGENCY – ANDERSON CREEK SNOW PARK. In the event that the lake ice is not safe to cross, the Cascade Lake checkpoint will be moved to the west side of the lake where you come off the mountain at Anderson Creek. In that case the community will set up heated tents and bring a water truck. Food and beverage will be supplied by the community.

Driving Directions: From N Main Street go south on Old State Hwy ½ mile, then left on Lakeshore Drive for 3.5 miles, then right on West Mountain Rd for 4 miles, turn left on FS 435 and Anderson Creek Snow Park will be on the right.

SMITH FERRY CHECKPOINT – The checkpoint is at Wellington Snow Park and has ample parking, water and warming facilities.

Driving Directions – From McCall take HWY 55 south 48 miles. The checkpoint is on the west side of the highway 1/8th mile south of Cougar Mountain Lodge.

If you will be at a checkpoint more than once reclaim your spot and use the same straw.

Bring your own HEET

Water will be at checkpoints



LEGS, CHECKPOINTS & MILES

Leg	300 Mile Race	Miles	Required Rest	Leg	100 Mile Race	Miles	Required Rest
1	Little Ski Hill – WYE	37		1	Little Ski Hill - WYE	37	
2	WYE – Cascade	58		2	WYE - Platt	34	6
3	Cascade - Smith's Ferry	68	6	3	Platt - Cascade	36	
4	Smith's Ferry - Cascade	68			Total	107	
5	Cascade - Wye	58	3				
6	WYE - Little Ski Hill	37			Juniors finish at WYE		
	Total	326					

NOTE: An additional 8 hours floating rest at checkpoints required for 300 Mile teams



Idaho Sled Dog Challenge 2019 Race Rules

SECTION 1: Entry, Pre-Race and Equipment

A. Entry information

1. Mid-Distance Class Continuous, 300 miles, 12 dog maximum, 8 dog minimum.
2. Mid –Distance Class Continuous, 100 miles, 8 dog maximum, 6 dog minimum.
3. Junior Race, 37 miles, 6 dogs.

NOTE: There will be a maximum of twenty (20) total teams between the 100 and 300 mile races, with a ten (10) team quota for each race. However, the signup balance between the races may be adjusted at the discretion of ISDC. Every effort will be made to fill the quota for each race before allowing more than ten (10) teams to enter one race or the other. For example, if ten (10) teams have signed up for the one hundred (100) mile race, the last two teams to sign up will be held in provisional status and would be allowed to run only if the total number of teams between the two races does not exceed twenty (20). Entry fees are non-refundable, except in the case for which provisional teams are not allowed to run due to the total team number limitation.

4. Receipt of the entry fee and entry form will constitute the musher's intent to enter the race and further acknowledges the musher agrees to comply with each rule as stated.
5. Starting positions for the race will be determined by a drawing after the musher's meeting. Order of the drawing will be determined by receipt of the entry fee postmark date.
6. ISDC reserves the right to reject an entry.

B. Musher

1. The musher starting at the beginning of the race shall drive the team throughout the race.
2. A musher must be a minimum of 18 years old. An experienced musher of 16 or 17 may apply, in writing, to waive the minimum age rule. Application must include number of years of experience, references from at least two veteran long distance mushers and written consent from parent or guardian.
3. A junior musher must be ages 14 to 17.
4. There will be one musher per team.
5. Each musher is responsible for their own handling, truck transport and dropped dogs.



6. We wish to promote a good neighbor policy by, when possible, leaving a place better than we found it. Handlers are responsible to cleanup of all areas used during the race and to remove or burn straw as directed by race officials.

7. Before their final departure from a checkpoint handlers **must receive a signoff from a race official** that their area is appropriately cleaned up. If cleanup is not accomplished a fine will be deducted from prize money as determined by the Race Marshall.

C. Musher's Meeting

All mushers must attend the mandatory musher's meeting at Idaho First Bank, January 28 at 4:00 PM.

D. Musher Conduct

1. All mushers shall be responsible for the conduct of their dogs, crew and themselves when in the race staging area or on the trail.

2. Common sense and good sportsmanship shall prevail. All mushers must use civil conduct and act in a sportsmanlike manner throughout the race. Abusive treatment of any person or animals is prohibited. Conduct yourself well enough that the next driver will be welcomed with equal hospitality. If the Race Marshall determines that driver, handler or team conduct at any time in the race or on the trail is detrimental to the race or sport as a whole that team may be disqualified.

E. Dogs

1. It is the intent of this race, its officials, sponsors and supporters that dog care be the most important aspect of the race.

2. The race **MANDATES** dog care and expects the musher to manage their team in such a way to not push dogs beyond their limits.

3. Cruel and inhumane treatment of dogs is strictly prohibited and will result in immediate disqualification and a letter sent to other race organizations, both sprint and distance. Cruel and inhumane treatment involves any action or inaction that causes preventable pain or suffering to a dog.

4. Any dog that expires on the trail, for any reason, must be carried in the sled, fully covered, to the next available race official. Any dog that expires on the trail, at the discretion of the Head Veterinarian, may be required to undergo a necropsy at the owner's expense. The death of any dog on the trail may, upon the combined decision of the Head Veterinarian and the Race Marshall, result in the disqualification of the musher.

5. A musher may not allow any of their dogs to be hauled by another team. There will be no loose leaders or dogs. All dogs must be in the team or in the sled.

6. Three hundred (300) mile race teams shall consist of not more than twelve (12) dogs with the minimum number to start being eight (8). Minimum number of dogs in harness at the finish of the race is five (5).

7. One hundred (100) mile race teams shall consist of not more than eight (8) dogs with the minimum number to start being six (6). Minimum number of dogs in harness at the finish of the race is five (5).



F. Veterinary Check

Each dog, prior to the race, will be examined by an ISDC Veterinarian. At the pre-race examination a dog may be withdrawn for health reasons upon the opinion of two race veterinarians.

G. Vaccinations

All dogs entered in the race must have current parvo, distemper and *lepto* vaccinations given within the 12 months prior to the race date. All dogs must have received a kennel cough (tracheobronchitis) vaccine no sooner than 4 months prior to the race date and no later than 14 days prior to the race date. Rabies vaccinations must be current for the state of residence and be administered by a licensed veterinarian. Owners who self-vaccinate with the annual combo shot (distemper and parvo) may submit invoices indicating purchase of required vaccine. Musher must provide proof of all vaccinations.

H. Drugs

1. The intent of the rules concerning the use of any medications is that all competing dogs are racing in a state of acceptable normal health with natural ability. This is to ensure the safety, health and well-being of the dogs.
2. No injectable, oral or topical drug which may suppress the signs of illness or injury may be used on a dog. No drugs or other artificial means may be used to drive a dog or cause a dog to perform beyond its natural ability. A musher may not use injections on their dogs.
3. The following drugs are prohibited:
 - Analgesics (prescriptive or non-prescriptive)
 - Anti-inflammatory drugs including but not limited to:
 - Corticosteroids (the use of corticosteroid ointment on the feet is allowed. Steroid preparations are detrimental if splits, wounds or infection are present.)
 - Non-steroidal agents (antiprostaglandins, Salicylates, etc.)
 - DMSO --Central Nervous System Stimulants
 - Cough Suppressants
 - Anesthetics
 - Diuretics
 - Anabolic Steroids
 - Muscle Relaxants
 - Injectable Anticholinergics
 - Antihistamines



4. Dogs are subject to the collection of urine or blood samples at the discretion of the Head Veterinarian at any point from the pre-race examination until two (2) hours after the teams cross the finish line. The musher or handler will remain with the dogs. All samples will be sealed and signed for before the tests are considered complete. A musher or handler must assist the Race Veterinarian in collecting samples whenever requested. If blood or urine testing of a dog reveals any of the prohibited drugs in the dog, this rule has been violated regardless of when such drug was administered to the dog. A positive test may lead to disqualification of the musher once the Race Marshall and Head Veterinarian talk with the musher and make a decision.
5. The use of Megesterol acetate (Ovaban) or Mibolerone (Cheque Drops) as an estrus uppressant is permitted.
6. The practice of blood doping, i.e. injection of whole blood, blood products or any blood substitutes is prohibited.
7. Race Veterinarian's may utilize any of the listed drugs or other prohibited drugs necessary to maintain a dog's health, however such dogs will be withdrawn from the race.

I. Equipment

1. All harnesses shall be padded around the neck and chest areas.
2. All dogs shall be harnessed in single or double file.
3. Some type of sled shall be drawn.
4. Sled shall be equipped with an adequate brake, brushbow, snowhook.
5. A sled bag capable of safely restraining a struggling or severely injured dog is required. Sled and sled bag shall be large enough to contain all required equipment in addition to hauling an injured dog. If you have questions about this contact the Race Marshall.
6. If cable or chain necklines are used there must be a weak link incorporated into the neckline. If you have questions about this contact the Race Marshall.
7. All dogs must have their name either written on their collars or attached to their collars in some fashion.

J. Mandatory Gear in Sled:

1. Mandatory gear must be in the sled at the start, turn-around checkpoint and at the finish line.
2. Gear shall consist of:
 - a. Arctic parka
 - b. Proper cold weather sleeping bag.
 - c. A usable three (3) gallon cooker and appropriate amount of fuel
 - d. Ax with head weight 1.5 pounds minimum and a handle at least twenty-two (22) inches long.
 - e. Two working headlamps.
 - f. Ganglines must be made of cable or have cable core. g. Cable cutters.
 - h. Any promotional materials provided by the ISDC
 - i. Vet book j. Knife
 - k. Two (2) full sets of booties for each dog either on the sled or being worn by dogs. l. First-aid kit (minimum of ace bandage, pressure dressing and tape.)



- m. Waterproof matches or lighter.
- n. Snowshoes
- o. Trail Map

K. Mandatory Food

1. One pound for each dog in the team must remain in the sled throughout the race for emergency use only. Should a musher arrive at the checkpoint or finish without this mandatory emergency food, an explanation must be addressed with a race official. This food should be considered only as a bare minimum. Bad weather and common sense will dictate when additional food should be packed. Littering on the trail is prohibited. Dumping food to lighten the load after leaving the start or checkpoint is prohibited.
2. One day food ration for the musher.

SECTION II: The Race

A. Start

1. All mushers and team trucks must be in the official start parking area at a specified time to be announced at the musher's meeting. At this time each participant's sled and mandatory equipment must be ready and available for inspection.
2. All mushers and dogs will be required to take part in pre-race ceremonies and photo session.
3. **Time differentials will be adjusted at the Platt Checkpoint SIX (6) hour mandatory layover for the 100 mile race and at the Smith's Ferry Checkpoint SIX (6) hour mandatory layover for the 300 mile race.**
 - Team Handlers will be allowed at the start of race only to assist team and musher. After race start, handlers will not be allowed to assist mushers and teams during the race.
 - Handlers providing heated musher food, dog food, water or beverage to mushers is considered Musher Assistance and is not allowed.
 - Handlers are to deliver musher bags to a central location at each checkpoint prior to their mushers arrival. The musher is the only one who can move musher bags from that point.
 - It is not considered Musher Assistance for volunteers to pre stage straw at team parking lanes.
4. A team unable to leave at its specified time will depart after the last team leaves and will observe the specified interval between teams. Any musher who cannot leave the starting line within ten (10) minutes of the last team's departure may be disqualified at the Race Marshall's discretion, unless extenuating circumstances prevail.



B. Finish

1. The nose of the first dog crossing the finish line signals a team's official finish. In the event the musher is not with the team when it finishes, the finish time will be officially recorded when the musher crosses the line after the team.
2. Mushers must make a sincere effort to continue in the race in a timely manner or they will be disqualified at the race officials' discretion.

C. Checkpoint/Mandatory Layover

1. Each musher must sign in and out of all checkpoints.
2. 100 MILE RACE: There is a minimum SIX (6) hour mandatory rest at the Platt Checkpoint following Leg 2. Times will be adjusted to correct for starting times at the mandatory layover.
3. 300 MILE RACE: There is a minimum SIX (6) hour mandatory rest at the SMITH FERRY CHECKPOINT following completion of Leg 4 and a mandatory THREE (3) hour rest at WYE checkpoint following completion of Leg 6. Times will be adjusted to correct for starting times at the SIX (6) hour mandatory layover at Smith Ferry Checkpoint following the completion of Leg 4. An additional EIGHT (8) hour mandatory floating rest may be divided between the other checkpoints, musher's choice.
4. The mandatory rest periods will be credited only in whole hour increments, and will be rounded down to the nearest hour. For instance, if a musher takes 2 hours and 45 minutes rest at a checkpoint, they will only be credited with 2 hours, with 4 hours mandatory rest remaining. The floating rest cannot be tacked onto the SIX (6) hour mandatory rest at the Smith Ferry Checkpoint.
5. Each musher must leave each checkpoint with mandatory gear in sled. Equipment must be checked by checkpoint official.
6. During the race no outside assistance is allowed except for that offered by ISDC. Handlers may stage supplies for their teams at the checkpoints, but that is the extent of help mushers can receive from their handlers. If a musher must retrieve something from their truck they first need to notify a Race Judge or Race Marshall.
7. Mushers may help each other at the checkpoint camp spot. Example: one musher may watch two teams while the other goes for water. Boisterous behavior on the part of any musher around other resting teams is strictly prohibited.



D. Running the Course

1. The ISDC is a guest on land of the United States Forest Service and private landowners. In light of this, mushers will conduct themselves in an appropriate manner and will at no time demand "rights" to the trail from other users external to the race.
2. Passing:
 - a. When overtaking another team the musher shall call "trail." The overtaken team must relinquish the trail and assist the passing team when necessary.
 - b. When neither of two teams is able to pull away from the other, the mushers shall mutually decide on the appropriate team to lead out.
 - c. In a head-on passing situation the homeward bound team has the right-of-way and the outbound team must relinquish the trail. The exception is when the outbound team is moving downhill, in which case the outbound team has the right-of-way.
 - d. There shall be no calling of "trail" in No Man's Land. No Man's Land will be announced at the driver's meeting.
3. Lost Team
 - a. In the case of a lost team the team will not be disqualified if the musher regains control of the team, provided the team and musher complete the entire race trail and comply within the rules including checkpoint requirements.
 - b. A musher may receive any assistance from anyone in recovering their team.
 - c. All teams must follow the trail as marked. As long as the team and musher continue on the trail when separated, the musher may continue after regaining control.
4. Teams inadvertently leaving the course must regain the course at the point at which it was left.
5. Safety:
 - a. It is the musher's responsibility to check for traffic at road crossings.
 - b. Be cautious when overtaking, encountering or being overtaken by snow machines. Always use your headlamp to signal snow machines during night travel.
 - c. In the case of an emergency or an unmanageable team outside assistance may be accepted without penalty. All situations will be reported by the musher to a race official at the next checkpoint.
6. Stopping on the trail:
 - a. When stopped on the trail adequate room must be allowed for teams to get past and assistance given if necessary. Every effort should be made to get completely off the trail while stopped.
 - b. If snacking, watering or feeding on the trail the team must be completely off the trail if at all possible. An honest effort should be made to keep the trail clean of food or debris. c. Pack out all garbage. Littering is prohibited.
7. Identification, if supplied, will be worn at the start, finish, entering and leaving each checkpoint. Failure to adhere to this rule will result in time and/or monetary penalties.
8. Neckline must be on leaders at the start, finish, entering and leaving each checkpoint. Team dogs must also have a neckline.
9. Drivers wishing to scratch from the race may do so by notifying the Checker, Race Judge or Race Marshall and signing an official scratch form. Drivers are responsible for retrieving personal gear.



10. Dogs may only be dropped at the official checkpoint. Each dog will be turned over to the handlers of the team after being checked by a race vet at the checkpoint.

E. Weather and Trail Conditions

1. The race will continue under all but the most severe trail and weather conditions.
2. Postponement or cancellation of the race will be made no less than ten (10) days prior to the start of the race.
3. In the event of questionable trail conditions the Race Marshall will decide which portion(s) of the trail will be altered.
4. The Race Marshall is responsible for alteration of starting and/or finishing locations.

SECTION III: Race Officials

A. Race Marshall and Judges

1. The Race Marshall and Judges are responsible for the enforcement of all ISDC policies and race rules. Race officials shall consult with the Head Veterinarian on all matters relating to dog care and treatment.
2. The Race Marshall is in charge of all aspects of the race from the vet checks/pre-race driver's meeting to the awards presentation. The Race Marshall may impose, reduce or waive monetary or time penalties.
3. The Race Marshall shall have the authority to withdraw a team that is out of the competition
4. Based on his/her progress down the trail. The Race Marshall also has the authority to withdraw a musher whose conduct, in the Race Marshall's sole and exclusive judgment, constitutes an unreasonable risk of harm to either themselves or other persons.
5. Failure of a musher to comply with the published rules may result in a monetary fine, time
6. Penalty or disqualification. In the event a fine is imposed, application to enter future ISDC races will not be accepted until full payment is received by the ISDC. Disqualified mushers will forfeit all placements. All decisions by the Race Marshall shall be final.

B. Head Veterinarian and Race Veterinarians

1. The race veterinarians are present throughout the race to monitor the health and welfare of all dogs, advise mushers in caring for their dog's medical needs and provide veterinary treatment for dropped dogs if necessary.
2. The Head Veterinarian, in conjunction with the Race Marshall, shall have authority to hold a dog or dogs at any checkpoint for medical reasons.
3. The decision to remove a dog, dogs or a team from the race shall be the responsibility of the Head Veterinarian in conjunction with the Race Marshall.



SECTION IV: Protest and Hearing

A. Protests must be submitted in writing to the Race Marshall or Race Judge within one (1) hour of the protester's race finish and shall not be discussed with spectators, media representatives or the general public prior to a decision being handed down.

B. An official decision will be made by the Race Marshall following a hearing attended by all parties involved.

SECTION V: Awards Presentation

It is the desire of ISDC officials that all mushers finishing in the races be present at the awards ceremony. Absence may result in disqualification and/or forfeiture of winnings. Purse monies will be awarded only to participants who are designated official finishers of the ISDC.

SECTION VI: Claims

Each musher is responsible for their own actions and the actions of their dogs and crew. The musher also agrees to release the sponsors, ISDC and their agents, employees, contractors from any claim or demand resulting from injury to the musher, their dogs, property or the property of their crew. ISDC has the unqualified and unrestricted authority to authorize the race sponsor(s) to photograph and otherwise collect information about the race and all participants therein and to use such photographs and information for advertising, public relations or other publicity purposes.

Every musher shall sign any and all documents as may be requested by ISDC evidence the foregoing. These documents will be executed at the musher's meeting. Any musher who does not sign the documents requested by ISDC officials will not be allowed to participate in the race.