



# 2023 WHIP CRACKING CONTEST RULES & ENTRY FORM



**Contest Committee:** Fair Youth Advisory Committee with Advisors: Christy Brauman & Mackenzie Carle

**ENTRY DEADLINE: Sunday, March 19, 2023. @ 1:30 pm. Contest begins at 2 pm.**

**\* Entry Fee is \$5.00 \***

1. Contest is scheduled for Sunday, **March 19, 2023**, beginning at 2pm in the Arena.
2. Contestant **MUST** wear long pants and closed toed shoes to compete. Crocs are unacceptable.
3. Youth & Adult contestants will have 45 seconds to perform their whip cracking ability. Pee Wee will have 30 seconds.
4. Whips can be from 6 – 14 feet long.
5. In case of a tie, there will be a pop-off to determine the winner.
6. Judges will score on a scale of 1 – 10 (10 being highest score) based on most original, sharpness, loudness & best overall performance
7. **Contestant Conduct:** Any unbecoming behavior of contestant will be grounds for immediate disqualification and all awards, prizes and premiums will be forfeited.
8. **Contestant will be disqualified if found cracking at ANY TIME other than in the Arena during the contest.**
9. For **Whips & Tricks Division:** This category is for whips of shorter lengths than allowed in general competition, along with “tricks” that a participant may have.
  - o Routine is limited to 2 minutes.
  - o NO OTHER HUMANS OR ANIMALS will be allowed to assist in the trick unless they are dueling whip cracking partners. If assistance is needed to set up, that is allowed. For example: if a participant wants to demonstrate target cracking, a person/animal cannot stand holding said target. Please contact Christy Brauman @ 386-546-8603 with any questions or to clarify the logistics of your trick.

CONTESTANT FIRST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

MIDDLE INITIAL: \_\_\_\_\_ LAST NAME: \_\_\_\_\_

ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

CITY: \_\_\_\_\_ ZIP: \_\_\_\_\_ PHONE: \_\_\_\_\_

EMAIL ADDRESS: \_\_\_\_\_

BIRTHDATE: \_\_\_\_month \_\_\_\_day \_\_\_\_year **AGE ON 3/20/22:** \_\_\_\_\_

DIVISION \_\_\_\_Pee Wee (under 7) \_\_\_\_Junior (8-10) \_\_\_\_Int (11-13) \_\_\_\_Senior (14-high school sr.)  
\_\_\_\_ Adult (graduated hs or19+ )

Will you be participating in the Whips & Tricks Division? Circle one YES NO

**All signatures are mandatory for entry form to be valid.**

**I have read and understand the Rules and Regulations and agree to abide by said rules. I hereby affirm that all statements on this entry form are true and correct.**

CONTESTANT SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**I certify that I have complete knowledge of this entry and authorize my child to enter this activity.**

PARENT/GUARDIAN SIGNATURE \_\_\_\_\_ DATE \_\_\_\_\_

**A COMPLETED HOLD HARMLESS MUST BE ATTACHED**



# 2023 WHIP CRACKING CONTEST HOLD HARMLESS AGREEMENT



As an exhibitor/participant, parent or legal guardian, I understand the potential of injury during the **Whip Cracking Contest** at the Putnam County Fair (**March 19, 2023**). We (contestant, parent, legal guardian), agree to assume all responsibility for injury that may occur. We further agree to release the following of any and all liability whatsoever:

- 1) Putnam County Fair Authority, Inc.
- 2) Putnam County Fair Board Members
- 3) Putnam County Board of County Commissioners

**Release of Liability:** In consideration of the Putnam County Fair Authority's action in allowing me, or my child, to participate in this activity, the undersigned acknowledges that the program may involve participation in exercises which may be physically demanding and may subject the participant to stress, anxiety and possible physical hazards, not all of which can be foreseen. It is fully understood that reasonable precautions will be taken to protect the participant at all times. In consideration of the benefits of participating in the program, the undersigned does hereby **RELEASE, WAIVE, DISCHARGE, AND COVENANT NOT TO SUE** any instructor, leader and/or sponsor of the above named agencies and their respective officers, agents or employees from any and all liability, claims, demands, actions, causes of actions, and costs arising out of or related in any way to any loss, damage or injury that may be sustained or incurred by my child as a result of participation in such programs.

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Parent/Guardian Signature

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Contestant Signature

**PRINT** – Contestant Name

Sworn to and subscribed before me this \_\_\_\_\_ Day of \_\_\_\_\_, 20\_\_.

Notary Public: \_\_\_\_\_

Personally known \_\_\_\_\_

Produced Identification \_\_\_\_\_

Type of Identification Produced \_\_\_\_\_

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

## **THIS FORM MUST BE NOTARIZED**

All programs and educational information offered by the Putnam County Fair Authority are available to all persons regardless of race, color, sex, age, handicap, or national origin. Participants needing special accommodations should contact the Putnam County Fair Authority, Inc. at P.O. Box 400, 118 Fairgrounds Road, East Palatka, Florida 32131, or by calling (386) 328-3247 at least one week prior to schedule events.