



WRUFF STUFF MR PUPPY UK 2018 CONTEST SCORING SYSTEM

Each contestant is given a numerical score across the contest by our panel of five guest judges, by means of individual scores for each component of the contest added together, and this score determines contest placement. The different rounds and parts of the contest all carry different weighting in the final score. It is our priority to ensure scores are given transparently and fairly.

Contest Rounds

There are six contest rounds which count towards your final score:

1. Round One: Presentation (5%)
 - In Round One of the contest, the host will invite each contestant to the stage to introduce himself to the audience. You'll each have a minute to speak to the audience and share about yourself, why you've decided to step forward and join the contest, and why you would like to offer yourself to become Mr Puppy UK.
2. Round Two: Obedience School (5%)
 - In Round Four of the contest, you'll be summoned by our own Pup Handler to perform a series of puppy tricks, and demonstrate your obedience to a handler's instruction. How you react to this instruction is, of course, entirely up to you.
3. Round Three: Puppy Mosh (10%)
 - In Round Three of the contest, everyone will mosh freely together in the play area. This one's for everyone, contestant and non-contestant alike! Mosh freely, play as you wish, take quick breaks if you need them, and show us how you interact with other puppies.
4. Round Four: Interview (50%)
 - In Round Four of the contest, which carries the greatest weight, you will be given a friendly private interview with our panel of judges. It's private, so we encourage you to speak freely, openly, and honestly. This is where we really want to get to know you.
5. Round Five: Personality (10%)
 - In Round Five of the contest, we'll be concluding the Audience Participation component and collecting and calculating the audience votes: guests in the audience are invited to vote for the contestant of their choice. The panel of judges is not involved in this round. This is the one round in which contestants don't have to do anything – this one's up to your friends in the audience.
6. Round Six: Performance (20%)
 - In Round Six of the contest, contestants will perform a two-minute performance for your friends in the audience a piece of your choosing, with or without a Handler. It can be anything pup-related. This is your big moment, so make the most of it!



Scoring System

Each round is worth a different number of points, and in each round, we're looking for something different from you. Let your personality shine and let us get to know you!

1. Part One: Your Puppy Personality

- The first part of the contest, held at Kennel Klub, will comprise three rounds: *Presentation*, *Puppy Mosh*, and *Obedience School*.
- This is worth 20% of your final score, with *Presentation* and *Obedience School* counting for 5% each and *Puppy Mosh* counting for 10%.
- We're looking for how you present yourself as a pup, your pup identity, how you play as a pup and interact with others, and how much of your personality shines forth when in pup space.

2. Part Two: Your Role in the Community

- The second part of the contest, held at Club Collared, will comprise two rounds: *Interview* and *Audience Vote*.
- This is worth 60% of your final score: your Audience Vote score (which is voted by members of the audience, not by our panel of judges) counts for 10% and your Interview for 50%. That makes your Interview the most important component of the contest.
- We're looking for how you present yourself as a leader, your likability, your charisma, and your motivation for joining the contest and aspiring to be the third Mr Puppy UK.
- We're particularly looking to discuss the vision you have for yourself as a title holder, what you would like to offer the community, and how you would like to contribute.

3. Part Three: Your Stage Presence

- The third part of the contest, held at Club Alert!, will comprise just one round: *Performance*.
- This is worth 20% of your final score.
- We're looking for your confidence, your stage presence, how well you can hold and entertain an audience, and how you project yourself publicly and at the centre of attention.



How You Are Assessed

The judges are given specific criteria to assess for each of the contest components, and will each give you a score for these criteria using a positive award system: points are only given, never deducted. These are then tallied to produce your final result. Scores are carried forward from one round to the next.

Each judge's scores carries equal weight. In the event a contestant has a current or former relationship with a judge, that judge will not score that contestant: the other judges' scores will be pro-rated so as to balance with the other contestants. (For example, if a contestant has declared a past relationship with one of the five judges, then that contestant will receive scores only from the other four judges, but the final score will be divided by four instead of by five, to make it fairly matched with the other contestants, who will have been scored by five judges and had their final scores divided by five instead of by four.)

Progression and Advancement

There is a limited number of places in the second and third parts of the contest. This is primarily due to time and space constraints, and we accommodate as many contestants as we can.

For *Part One: Your Puppy Personality*, we can accept a maximum of twenty (20) contestants. If more than that number register online prior to the contest, then the first twenty to report in person will be placed in the contest, and the remainder will be waitlisted.

For *Part Two: Your Role in the Community*, we will advance the top ten (10) contestants from Part One, based on your total score to that point. In the event of a tied score for the tenth place, then we will choose contestants who score highest in Round Three: Puppy Mosh. Remaining contestants are invited to join in the Pup Handler Challenge led by a member of our team, so you're still involved and you're still a part of the contest!

For *Part Three: Your Stage Presence*, we will advance the top five (5) contestants from Part Two, based on your total score to that point. In the event of a tied score for the fifth place, then we will choose contestants who score highest in Round Four: Interview.

Top Placement and Prize Presentation

At the end of the contest, we will conduct a prize presentation and award special prize packages to the contestants who placed in the top three positions in the contest.

The contestant with the third highest overall score will receive the *2nd Runner-Up* prize package.

The contestant with the second highest overall score will receive the *Runner-Up* prize package.

The contestant with the highest overall score will receive the *Mr Puppy UK 2018* prize package, and will be nominated for the Mr Puppy UK 2018 title.

In the event of a tied score for any of the top placement prizes, then we will choose contestants who score highest in Round Four: Interview. If this still produces a tied score, then we will choose contestants who score highest in Round Five: Audience Vote, the round based on the audience vote. If even this still results in a tied score, then the Head Judge will make the decision.