

## **Congressional Pet Photo Contest 2011 FAQ's Page**

1. **Q:** What are the prizes?  
**A:** A trophy and bragging rights, of course.
  
2. **Q:** How many awards are there?  
**A:** Nineteen (*please see detailed description of each award in official rules*).
  
3. **Q:** Why can't I nominate my pet for a specific category?  
**A:** General entry ensures that your pet will have more chances to win.
  
4. **Q:** Who will choose the winners?  
**A:** A panel of celebrity judges will select the winners in the eighteen judged categories. The general public will have the opportunity to select one people's choice winner.
  
5. **Q:** How can I vote for the People's Choice Award?  
**A:** We will randomly select seven photos (3 dogs, 3 cats, and 1 horses). The public will then be able to choose one photo between May 23<sup>rd</sup>, 2011 and June 6<sup>th</sup>, 2011. The photo receiving the most votes will be the winner of the People's Choice Award.
  
6. **Q:** What is the contest password?  
**A:** "pets"
  
7. **Q:** Can I enter more than one pet?  
**A:** Yes.
  
8. **Q:** Can I enter more than one photo of the same pet?  
**A:** No, only one photo per pet please.
  
9. **Q:** When is the deadline for submitting photos?  
**A:** 12:00 p.m. EDT May 20<sup>th</sup>, 2011
  
10. **Q:** Who can participate in the contest?  
**A:** Members of Congress and Congressional staffers, including committee staff, may enter their eligible pets. Members and Congressional staffers whose spouses or immediate family members (parents, children, or siblings) work for The HSUS/HSLF are ineligible.
  
11. **Q:** What kinds of pets can be entered?  
**A:** Dogs, cats, and horses.
  
12. **Q:** Can people appear in the photos with their pets?

**A:** Yes, absolutely.

13. **Q:** When will I receive my award if I win one?

**A:** We will hand out the awards at a Capitol Hill reception on June 14<sup>th</sup>, 2011. More information on the awards reception will be announced soon.

14. **Q:** Can I bring my pet to the awards reception?

**A:** Dogs who are friendly and well socialized are welcome, provided they are leashed **at all times**. For the health and safety of the animals, we regret that cats and horses may not attend the awards reception.