



1st Annual OK!toberfest Long Dog Derby & Parade Sunday, October 18, 1-5:30 PM

2026 Event Information & Rules

Registration: September 1 – October 12

Fee: \$20 per Dachshund – Includes two (2) OK!toberfest Admission Tickets (No Refunds)

(Tickets will be distributed at the designated Outside Gate race check-in station (Kiamichi and Stagecoach entrance).)

Gate Check-in: Noon – 2:30 p.m.

Race Check-in & Heat Assignment: Noon – 3 p.m. (Or, until all race slots are filled.)

Parade Check-in: 1 p.m. | **Parade:** 1:15 – 1:30 p.m. (Parade open to all registered racers. Costumes encouraged.)

Races Begin: 2 p.m. | **Finals:** 5 p.m.

- 🐾 Only genuine, low to the ground Dachshunds allowed. No breed papers required – If your dog looks like a pure-bred Dachshund then SIGN-UP! Race officials reserve the right to decide if a dog is a wiener or not.
- 🐾 All racers must complete a registration form. At check-in, ALL participants must sign a waiver releasing the facility, sponsors, volunteers, etc. from liability.
- 🐾 Pre-registration is required to secure a race slot and space is very limited. No registrations accepted without payment.
 - No refunds once submitted.
 - Walk-up registration will be accepted IF slots are still open on event day at the Outside Gate race check-in station, between Noon - 2:30 p.m. only. Check the OK!toberfest website for available slots. They are first-come, first-served until all slots are filled. Dogs not officially registered are not accepted into the event. If a race slot is still open, you'll complete a registration form at the Outside Gate race check-in station. You will be instructed to purchase full-price OK!toberfest admission tickets (\$14/person) at the box office and then immediately proceed to the race check-in table to get an assigned a race time.
- 🐾 We apologize ahead of time, but spectating pups will not be allowed at this event.
- 🐾 All Dachshunds must be spayed or neutered, and up to date on vaccinations. (Rabies, Parvovirus and Distemper) Proof of current vaccinations must be shown at gate check-in. Dogs will not be allowed entry onto the event grounds without proper veterinary documentation.
- 🐾 Owners must clean up after their dogs.
- 🐾 Dogs must always be on a leash except during their designated race time.
- 🐾 Any dog showing any aggression towards another dog or person will be disqualified and may be asked to leave the premises with no refund.
- 🐾 Roped off staging/rest area will only be available for the 2-person owner/handler teams and their pups. It will be behind the stage, under trees with picnic tables and water pools for the pups. Absolutely no food allowed in staging/rest area.
- 🐾 Owners/Handlers must check in their dog 15 minutes before their assigned race time.
- 🐾 The **DOG'S** name will be called TWICE before their assigned heat. If your dog is not at the starting gate at the time of the race, you will forfeit the race and there will be no refunds.
- 🐾 Dogs must be placed in the starting gate when directed and not before.
- 🐾 All dogs must have two handlers at the event.
 - One at the starting line to release the dog and the other to catch the dog at the finish line.
 - One must be at least 18 years of age and the other must be at least 12 years of age. A valid driver's license may be required to show proof of age.
- 🐾 There will be two lines at the finishing end. The first line is the finish line for the dogs. The second line (furthest line) is the boundary line for the handler. Owners/Handlers may not cross the second line.
- 🐾 Dogs touched by either handler before crossing the finish line will be disqualified.
- 🐾 Handlers may use a toy only to entice dogs towards the finish line. You may NOT use treats or loud devices, throw balls, or run alongside them. Laser lights are prohibited.
- 🐾 If you win a heat, you'll receive a ribbon and advance to the semi-finals. After your race, return to the check-in desk and present your ribbon where you'll be assigned a semi-finals race time. You must check-in at least 15 minutes prior to your assigned semi-final time or you will forfeit your slot. Participants in each heat will receive a participation souvenir.
- 🐾 Volunteers are making this event happen; please be kind.
- 🐾 All judge's rulings are FINAL.
- 🐾 The #1 Rule – You MUST have FUN!!
- 🐾 Is your Doxie read to race? Click [HERE](#) to register, pay and secure your race slot.