

## **RESCUE ROUND-UP RULES**

The intention is to recognize the groomers' ability to use their professional expertise and skill to make-over animal shelter dogs. The goal is for these stylists to enhance the dog's adoptability and their chance at finding forever homes.

### **ELIGIBILITY**

- Open to all groomers who are able to handle any kind of dog that might not be 100% cooperative and probably in dire need of grooming, bathing and TLC.

### **PROCEDURES**

- Competitor will draw a number for a dog supplied by a local rescue group.
- Each dog will have been evaluated to determine if the dog is suitable for the competition environment.
- Dogs may be purebred or mixed breeds
- Groomers must be willing to show their skill for every aspect of the grooming process, including bathing and drying.

### **TIME FRAME**

- 2 ½ hours for all dogs

### **JUDGING CONSIDERATIONS**

- Suitability of groom to enhance dog's personality and improve conformation
- Grooming techniques that ensure the best outcome for the dog's coat type and condition
- Overall technical finish
- Compassionate handling of dogs
- Degree of difficulty
- Change in overall appearance

### **AWARDS**

Judges will choose 1<sup>st</sup>, 2<sup>nd</sup> and 3<sup>rd</sup> placements

*Refer to Procedures and Protocols for other important information*