



# PUPPY ITALIA 2022 - CONTEST RULES

## 1. General

The Puppy Italia competition is organized by the *Leather & Fetish Milano*, *The Italian Puppy* and *Leather Club Roma* Associations (hereinafter referred to as "the clubs"). The competition has the specific objective of promoting and disseminating the fetish world, in the peculiar aspect of Puppy Play, giving visibility to the clubs and the Puppy and Fetish community.

## 2. When

The competition will take place in Milan from 7 to 9 October 2022 except in cases of force majeure.

## 3. Requirements

Any person permanently resident in Italy can apply for the title as long as they are of age and are actively involved in the Italian fetish community and expert in the typical dynamics of Puppy Play. Reasons for impediment to candidacy are:

- Be a member of the board of directors of fetish-themed associations;
- Wearing at the same time (even for a few days) the headband of another fetish title;
- Having - at the sole discretion of the organizing clubs - acted in contrast or publicly manifested incompatibility with the values of the fetish, puppy, LGBTQIAPK communities.

Participation in the competition is free and no participation fee or subsequent club membership is required.

## 4. Applications

The application for the competition must be sent by Sunday 2 October 2022 (H23:59) using the appropriate form: [lfmilano.com/candidatura-pi-2022](https://lfmilano.com/candidatura-pi-2022)

With this form you declare your personal details, you present yourself in a small bio and provide the photo to be used during the competition and on the Clubs' social networks. By sending the application, the candidate accepts these rules in its entirety (4 pages).

The Clubs reserve the right to refuse the application if it conflicts with at least one of the requirements and to evaluate any applications received after the date indicated above.



## 5. Development

During the period of development, candidates are required to attend the following appointments by showing themselves in their specific outfit:

Friday 7 October 2022:

H 23:00 Short presentation in front of the public and the judges.

Saturday 8 October 2022:

H 14:00 Interview with the judges alternating the stage rehearsals for the performance;

H 22:30 Presentation on stage, performance and award ceremony.

During the presentations to the public on Friday and Saturday, personal and fetish-themed questions will be asked.

Attendance at all other weekend events is also highly recommended.

## 6. Jury

The jury will be identified by the organizing club and will be composed of a minimum of five people, including three members of their respective clubs, an exponent of the Italian or international fetish community and the outgoing titular. The organizing club will have the right to add members to the jury up to a maximum total of ten, deemed in various capacities to be competent for the judgment. Each juror will express, for each candidate, a numerical evaluation (from 1 to 10) on at least the following items:

- General presentation
- Interview
- Presence on stage
- Performance
- Puppy outfit
- Involvement in the Italian Puppy community

other items may be added to the judging at the discretion of the organizing club.

## 7. Audience vote

Each person participating in the final evening of the competition, with the exception of the jurors and candidates, will be able to express their preference for a candidate by depositing in the urn (or similar) relating to the candidate the coupon / token delivered at the entrance to the evening.

## 8. Counting of votes

The counting of votes will be carried out by three representatives appointed by the organizing clubs to which a designated member of the national or international fetish community may be added as Tally Master. Each candidate may also designate an observer to count the votes.

## 9. Picking the winner

The determination of the final score for each candidate will take place as follows:

JURY: (Score 5 3 2 1 0)

For each jury member, the votes (from 1 to 10) received in the individual judging categories are added together in order to obtain a partial ranking of the candidates who are assigned 5 points to the first, 3 to the second, 2 to the third, 1 to the fourth, 0 in fifth place and later. For each



candidate the partial scores (5 3 2 1 0) of the individual judges are then added up and the new ranking is converted as before with the rule of 5 points to the first, 3 to the second, 2 to the third, 1 to the fourth, 0 to the fifth place and following. This way, the final score of the jury is obtained (5 3 2 1 0).

AUDIENCE: (Score 5 3 2 1 0)

The votes of the public are counted and by means of proportion a numerical value will be obtained based on the votes received (5 points to the first, 3 points to the second, 2 points to the third, 1 point to the fourth and 0 points to the fifth and subsequent).

The identification of the winner is obtained by means of a weighted average of the vote of the public and of the jury, attributing to the public vote 1/3 of the weight and to the vote of the jury 2/3 of the weight. In the event of a tie for first place, the majority of 5 points is counted, if this is not enough to identify the winner, we proceed with 3 points and so on. In the unlikely event of a perfect tie, the 3 club representatives decide by single vote.

The outcome of the election is monitored by the Tally Masters who guarantee its integrity. The result approved by the Tally Masters is therefore unquestionable. Example with 4 candidates:

	Candidate A	Candidate B	Candidate C	Candidate D
Jury member 1	5	2	3	1
Jury member 2	2	3	5	1
Jury member 3	3	5	1	2
Jury member 4	3	1	5	2
Jury member 5	5	1	2	3
Partial judges	18	12	16	9
Judges ranking	1°	3°	2°	4°
<b>Judges total</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>2</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>1</b>
Audience ranking	2°	1°	4°	3°
<b>Audience</b>	<b>3</b>	<b>5</b>	<b>1</b>	<b>2</b>
Judges (weight 2/3)	3.33	1.33	2.00	0.67
Audience (weight 1/3)	1.00	1.67	0.33	0.67
Total	<b>4.33</b>	<b>3.00</b>	<b>2.33</b>	<b>1.33</b>
Final ranking	<b>1°</b>	<b>2°</b>	<b>3°</b>	<b>4°</b>

## 10. Prizes

In addition to the title of Puppy Italia 2022, the winner of the competition will receive the distinctive band of the title and the other prizes made available by the organizing clubs and

sponsors. The second and third candidate, where present, will be awarded commemorative medals and any other prizes.

## 11. Winner's duties

The winner will have the duty to represent the Italian Puppy and fetish community and will have to guarantee, during his / her year in office, his / her presence at at least one event organized by each of the organizing clubs and at at least one fetish event abroad. The winner must maintain contact with the club's board of directors and collaborate with the other owners of the Italian and international community. The winner must in any case consult with the three clubs in the case of promotion or creation of new gender events, in which the use of notoriety linked to the title plays a significant role. The winner must also return the sash to the clubs in time for the election of his successor and participate as a juror in that election.

## 12. European and international competitions

The winner will be able to participate, as representative of the Italian Puppy community, in European and international Puppy themed competitions, without prejudice to what is established by the specific regulations of these competitions.

## 13. Prohibitions

Unless authorized by the three organizing clubs, the holder may not use the band and title, either directly or indirectly, for the promotion of commercial or professional initiatives or events; this prohibition includes, by way of example: photos and photographic services, posters and flyers, films, advertising spots. Furthermore, he will not be able to join the governing body of any national or international club until the return of the band / until the end of the mandate.

## 14. Decadence

Failure to comply with the above will result in the automatic forfeiture of the title and the winner must return the bracket to the organizing clubs which will pass the title and bracket to the second classified and, subordinately, to the third classified.

## 15. Copyright and rights

Candidates expressly waive any right regarding the photos and information sent with the application, as well as the photos and filming taken during the competition; The winner expressly waives any right relating to photos, filming, interviews or similar carried out during his year as the holder and relating to the competition or the title of Puppy Italia.

## 16. Authorizations

The candidates and the winner irrevocably authorize the organizing clubs to use the photos and videos of the event and their name (or pseudonym) by publishing them on their social media, on their websites or by disseminating them in any other way such as, for example, sector magazines. , blogs, flyers, websites, etc.

