

It's Time to Practice

Use the practice cards to get your Chihuahua ready for the Regional Race.

- Chihuahuas will race a distance of 35 feet, so set up your **START** and **FINISH** cards 35 feet apart.
- Position the first pet parent at the **START** with your Chihuahua and position a second pet parent at the **FINISH**.
- On **"GO!"** send your Chihuahua off running to the **FINISH** line.
- Use a stopwatch to keep time. Winning Chihuahuas race between 1.8 and 3.8 seconds.
- Repeat as necessary.



START

FINISH

Winning Training Tips

Let's get ready for Race Day!

- **Exercise Daily** – Walk, run, play – whatever! It is beneficial for your Chihuahua and a great way to interact and spend time together.
- **Healthy Diet** – Provide your Chihuahua with plenty of healthy food and clean water daily to produce optimal results.
- **Practice** – Use the **START/FINISH** cards provided so your Chihuahua knows what to expect on Race Day.
- **Reward** – Consider giving a favorite treat or toy to the second pet parent. It may help to provide some incentive for your Chihuahua to run to the **FINISH** line.

The Race Day Run Down:

Up to 300 Chihuahuas may pre-register online at www.petco.com/races.
Racing spots will also be available on race day.



Race Day

- Registration begins at 8:00 am.
All pre-registered participants must check in no later than 9:15 am on race day, or forfeit their spot.
- At the whistle, dogs will race in packs of 10.
- Chihuahuas will race a distance of 35 feet.

Regional Prizes

1st Place

Trip to New York, NY to compete in the National Finals on August 29, 2009.

Prize includes:

- Coach round-trip air package from regional contest city to New York City for two people and one Chihuahua. (\$250 PETCO Gift Card for winners of Philadelphia only, in lieu of air package.)
- Two-night double occupancy hotel package in New York City at the On The Avenue Hotel.

2nd Place

- \$50 PETCO Gift Card.
- Sherpa Pet Carrier.

3rd Place

- \$25 PETCO Gift Card.
- JetBlue Pet Travel Kit.

Road to the Finals:

Your step-by-step guide to the PETCO Unleashed Chihuahua Races.



First Round

Location: Your local Regional Race

Up to 300 Chihuahuas race in packs of 10. The top two finishers from each pack advance.



Regional Semi-finals

Location: Your local Regional Race

Up to 60 Chihuahuas race in packs of 10. One winner from each semi-final heat will race in the regional finals.



Regional Finals

Location: Your local Regional Race

Out of the six or fewer finalists, the first Chihuahua to cross the finish line will be declared the winner.



National Finals

Location: New York, NY
August 29, 2009

Regional first place winners receive a trip to compete in the National Finals where they will race for the title of the Fastest Chihuahua in America.