Running of the Weenies 2027
Saturday, September 11
Germantown Charity Horse Show Arena, 7745 Poplar Pike
Best Dressed Contest, 11 a.m.
Running of the Weenies Race, 11:30 a.m.

An entry form is attached to this mailing. **All dogs must be pre registered by Friday, September 4th at 3:30 p.m. No race day registration will be available.** Registration is accepted on a first come, first served basis at Germantown Animal Shelter, 7700 Southern Avenue.

To register, complete the attached registration form and return it to Germantown Animal Shelter, Attn: Running of the Weenies, 7700 Southern Avenue, Germantown, TN 38138. All participants will receive a confirmatory phone call upon receipt of the entry form.

Best Dressed Hot Dog Participants
Entry fee: $10
Check in by 10:30 a.m. Line up at the west gate of the arena, by number, at 11 a.m. Dogs will take a short stroll around the arena to show off their costumes. First, second and third place winners will be announced.

Running of the Weenies Participants
Entry fee: $35
Check in at the arena by 11 a.m. Each registered dog will receive an official race bandana, a participant and heat number and race instructions. Bandanas are used to identify dogs in each heat. It is very important that you do not switch bandanas with another dog. Dogs with the same owner will be placed in separate heats.

The race will consist of heats with dogs divided evenly in each race with a first place winner only. Dogs are randomly assigned to heats. When the first race is announced, those assigned to the second race should make their way to the west gate, and so on. Each dog should have a person at the starting line to urge them forward and a person at the finish line to coax the dog over the line. You can dangle a favorite toy, call out names – whatever gets their attention. However, owners may not cross the starting or finish line or retrieve dog until a winner is declared.

The Grand Weenie race includes the first place winners of the numbered heats. First, second and third place winners will be announced.

For more information, contact Staff at animalshelter@Germantown-TN.gov or call (901) 757-7358.

Application and Release Form Below

Germantown Running of the Weenies 2026

Application and Release Form

Dog must be a true Dachshund to race

The City of Germantown retains the ability to refuse any entry for any reason

PLEASE PRINT

NAME _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE_____ ZIP _____

HOME PHONE _____ E MAIL _____

DOG'S NAME _____ SEX _____

Please specify the charity that your dog will RACE or BDHD for:

NAME: _____

ADDRESS: _____

Will your dog participate in the best dressed hot dog contest?

YES _____ NO _____

I assume all risks and hazards incidental to the conduct of the race. I do further hereby release, absolve, indemnify and hold harmless the Germantown Animal Shelter, the City of Germantown, the organizers, the sponsors and/or all of them. In case of injury, I waive all claims against the City of Germantown, the organizers, sponsors or any supervisors or volunteers appointed by them.

Pet Owner's Name: _____

Date: _____

Please send this completed form and your check for $35 per dog for the race and $10 per dog for the Best Dressed Hot Dog contest made payable to City of Germantown Animal Shelter to:

Germantown Animal Shelter

Attention: Running of the Weenies
7700 Southern Avenue Germantown, TN 38138