The Ugliest Christmas Sweater Contest Rules and FAQs

With the theme of "Memories of Christmas Past" at the Fall Samboree, we want to take everyone back to the time when everyone wore sweaters during the holidays, but not just any sweaters, ugly sweaters ... Yes, you read that right ... Ugly Sweaters or Sweater Vests.

We want to see the ugliest holiday sweaters you can purchase or create! Decorate a sweater or sweater vest with your materials of choice, as long as it's over-the-top and ugly, you're good to go.

To be eligible as an Ugly Christmas Sweater Contestant you must wear a Christmas, Hanukah or Winter themed Sweater or Sweater Vest to the Event.

Turtlenecks, sweatshirt and long or short-sleeved t-shirts will not be accepted. You may wear such items underneath an Ugly Christmas Sweater-vest, but it will not be considered part of your sweater and therefore not eligible for judging.

You may add to or alter your Christmas sweater however you like, have fun and get creative ... - felt, yarn, LEDs, plastic, clock gears, Christmas trees, ornaments, buttons, etc!

Additional items such as hats, jewelry or other festive attire will not be considered when voting for the Ugliest Christmas Sweater. An item must be attached to your Christmas sweater in order to be eligible.

You can be disqualified from the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Contest for the following:

1. Putting on your ugly Christmas Sweater after entering the event (You must be already wearing your sweater when you show up to the designated time for the event.)

2. Removing your sweater before the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Champion has been announced.

3. Altering your Christmas sweater after entering the event (Any and all alterations or additions to your sweater must be completed before entering the event.)

4. Swapping your sweater with another contestant before the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Champion has been announced.

5. If your sweater does not have a Christmas, Hanukah or Winter theme.

6. If your “sweater” is actually a t-shirt, turtleneck, sweatshirt or any shirt other than a sweater or sweater vest.
FAQ (Frequently Asked Questions)

How will the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Champion be determined?

All participants will have the opportunity to vote for the champion. You may not vote for yourself. You must vote for someone. Anyone not competing and anyone who has been disqualified are not permitted to vote for the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Champion.

What will the Ugliest Christmas Sweater Champion receive?

The Champion will receive the coveted Ugliest Christmas Sweater Prize of Awesomeness.

Will any other prizes be awarded?

Contestants will also have the opportunity to vote for the person whose sweater meets the following criteria:

The Most Creative Use of Materials
Most Festive Attire and
The person with the Most Naturally Ugly (unaltered) Christmas Sweater.

The winners of these categories will win a small prize, the title and bragging rights.

No additional prizes will be awarded.

Where do I get an Ugly Christmas Sweater?

I don’t know. That’s your problem. I’ve got my own sweater to find.

Remember, it is all in fun! Be creative! Be competitive! But, most of all have fun!