

## 2014 Video Contest Rules and Procedures

PLEASE NOTE On-ride videos will NOT be accepted.

Changes to the rules that were made for the 2013 contest are highlighted. (There are no changes from last year)

- 1) The Coaster Con XXXVII Video Contest is open to current members of the American Coaster Enthusiasts. The contest coordinator is Chris Smilek, (570) 730-4412, e-mail: [hobbym3@yahoo.com](mailto:hobbym3@yahoo.com)
- 2) A member may enter up to two (2) videos. Each video must be roller coaster-related. A video that does not predominantly feature existing or defunct coasters will not be accepted as an official entry. No POV footage or photography/videography taken while onboard any coaster may be included. POV footage or photography/videography taken while onboard other rides will be reviewed under established guidelines by the contest coordinator. Please contact the contest coordinator with any questions or comments. The content of the videos must be in good taste and suitable for viewing by all ages.
- 3) Each video must be no less than one minute and no more than **five** minutes in running length and, because they are shown on very large projection screen, **no special format is needed. Entrant can submit a playable DVD or common computer video file such wmv or mpeg on a CD, DVD or USB drive. Electronic submissions such as e-mail, FTP uploads or website links will not be accepted.** Each entry must be an original and must have been recorded and edited, if applicable, by the entrant. Videos may include audio such as music and narration. **Any computer-generated images (CGI) included in the entry must be original and not copied from a park or manufacturer video.**
- 4) The name, address, phone number, email address, and membership number of the entrant must appear on the top label area of the DVD, and not on the jewel case.
- 5) Entrants retain all copyright in and on their work. However, after the contest, all entries to the contest become physical property of ACE, and ACE retains the right to use the material or any part thereof for ACE's benefit and for its proprietary purposes. Entrants should keep a copy of their work for their own archives.
- 6) Reasonable care and precaution will be taken with all entries; however, neither ACE nor its representatives are responsible for lost, damaged, or stolen videos. It is recommended that you bring additional copies of your work with you to the convention (if you are attending), in case there are any technical or other problems with your entry.
- 7) Each entrant's video(s) must **be submitted in advance of the convention with a postmark date of May 31, 2014.** ACE is not responsible for misdirected or undelivered mail. The entrant is responsible for packing entries in a manner to avoid damage. **Mail entries to: Chris Smilek, 619 Washington Xing, East Stroudsburg, PA 18301-9812.**
- 8) No video may reveal the identity of the creator while the video is being viewed.
- 9) All entries meeting the above requirements will be shown during the video contest at the time and location specified by the official Coaster Con XXXVII schedule, which will be distributed to all attendees at the start of the convention. As with all event activities, this information is subject to change, and in such an instance, due notice will be given through various announcements.
- 10) Winning entries will be chosen by popular vote of those attending the entire video showing. At the start of the showing, each person attending will receive one ballot. Anyone entering the contest area after the contest has begun will not be provided with a ballot. No other ballots will be accepted or distributed. All ballots will be collected immediately following the end of the showing. Any ballots turned in at a later time will not be accepted.
- 11) Convention attendees may indicate on their ballots their choices for first, second, and third place. Each first place vote will earn three points; each second place vote will earn two points; each third place vote will earn one point. No video may be voted for more than once on any single ballot; any such action will render the ballot invalid. The three entries with the greatest number of votes will be awarded first, second, and third place, respectively. The ballots will be counted by chosen volunteers immediately following the closing of the contest.
- 12) Winning videos and entrants will be announced and screened (whether in their entirety or an excerpt thereof) during the Annual Banquet. Award plaques will be presented for each of the winning entries.
- 13) The ACE president, events director or contest coordinator reserves the right to revise the schedule that is described or implied herein. The interpretation of these rules by the contest coordinator is final. Contact the contest coordinator with any questions or comments.