



# 2016 Sled Dog Race Rates, Policies & Procedures

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Dog race rates apply **ONLY** within the State of Alaska, for the **Kusko 300, Junior Iditarod, Iditarod** and **Kobuk 440** races.

**Rates are limited to a maximum of 16 dogs and 2,000 pounds total weight (dogs, sled & gear)**

Anchorage **TO** Bethel / Kotzebue / Nome (if applicable)  
Weights over 2,000 pounds will be charged at \$0.65 per pound.

- Base Rate \$1,400.00
- Plus:
- Fuel Surcharge \*
- Security Surcharge \*
- Tax \*

(\* Amounts are based on actual weight)



Bethel / Kotzebue / Nome **TO** Anchorage  
Weights over 2,000 pounds will be charged \$0.22 per pound

- Backhaul rate \$400.00
- Includes:
- Fuel Surcharge \*
- Security Surcharge \*
- Tax \*

(\*Amounts are based on actual weight)

## **Team Booking Procedures:**

Teams will be booked on a first-come, first-serve basis. Each team must be booked on a separate air waybill. All bookings will need to be re-confirmed 24 hours in advance of the departure, or space may be cancelled. Teams **MUST** arrive at the Cargo Facility at least 4 hours prior to departure of flight.





## Misc:

- Alaska Airlines does NOT store kennels or gear. If items are not picked up within 48 hours of arrival, a storage fee will be incurred.
- There will be no overnight parking of any vehicles on Alaska Air Property. Vehicles left overnight will be subject to towing at owners expense.
- Iditarod musher's **MUST** make arrangements in advance to get their "nested" kennels up to NOME for the end of the Iditarod race. **A 'NOME" phone contact is mandatory prior to shipping kennels.** Please ensure you allow plenty of time for shipping your kennels to Nome. General rates will apply. Storage rates will apply if not picked up within **48** hours after arrival.
- Drop Dogs rates apply to Iditarod race only. Each "Drop Dog" will be charged \$100.00 (plus fuel surcharge and tax), up to 2 weeks after the first musher crosses the Iditarod finish line.
- Effective 2007, Alaska Airlines does **NOT supply kennels**. Kennels used **MUST** be airline certified, meet IATA regulations and either a 300 or 400 size. **NOTHING ELSE WILL BE ACCEPTED.**  
(i.e. No wooden crate type containers)
- Kennels **MUST** be in air worthy condition and are subject to inspection at time of acceptance. Kennels not meeting the air worthiness criteria will not be accepted and will need to be replaced, at Mushers expense, or the booked space will be forfeit.
- Per regulations, only **absorbent padding** (no straw, bedding, etc) may be in kennel with the animal. **Non-compliance with these regulations may result in space forfeiture.**
- Alaska Airlines is **NOT** responsible for delivery or pickup of teams for host families. **Iditarod Exception:** Alaska Airlines employees will pick up pre-booked teams scheduled for shipping out of Nome.
- All shipments are subject to security screening. The Musher will be responsible to ensure their gear does not contain any hazardous materials (**ammunition, matches, flammable liquids, certain types of batteries, camp stove fuel containers, etc.**) **For information on hazardous materials, please contact the Alaska Airlines Dangerous Goods desk at 1-877-815-8254.**
- Firearms may be checked as passenger baggage, in a locked, hard-sided case, with the appropriate declaration paperwork. For information go to:  
**<http://www.alaskaair.com/as/www2/help/faqs/sportrelateditems.asp>**



- When your team booking is completed, you may contact Alaska Airlines reservations (800) 252-7522 to book yourself (\*) on the flight your team is booked on.
- (\*Musher / handler return reservations can be changed, locally with no change fee, when delayed due to race)
- If you have any questions, please don't hesitate to contact us.

Good Luck and Happy Mushing!  
GO MUSH Booking Team,  
Pat, Traci and Terrie



**Hold Harmless Release**

*(To be completed by musher or authorized representative and retained at tendering station)*

In consideration for transporting dogs and other personal property at the discount rate, I hereby release Alaska Airlines, Inc. from any and all liability arising out of the injury to or death of my dogs, or damage to or destruction of property, during the course of transportation, except for that caused by the gross negligence of Alaska Airlines, Inc., at which point Alaska Airlines would be liable to the limits of the published Contract of Carriage.

I further acknowledge that I have loaded the dogs and property and that the arrangements for the transportation of the dogs and property are satisfactory.

**DISCLAIMER:**

All Alaska Airlines aircraft are equipped with Halon Fire Suppression Systems on the upper decks.

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Musher or Authorized Representative

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Date