



# Design/Build Competition Guidelines

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## SUMMARY

Bark + Build is a design/build competition of original, one-of-a-kind pet homes created by professional teams consisting of licensed architects and contractors. The built designs will be on display at NorthPark Center from **November 21st – December 8th**. All the homes will be available for silent auction through online bidding with all proceeds going to SPCA of Texas. To learn more about SPCA of Texas and their work, please visit [www.sPCA.org](http://www.sPCA.org).

## TEAMS

Twenty-five (25) professional team slots are available for the 2019 AIA | TEXO Bark + Build Design/Build Competition and are awarded on a first-come, first-serve basis. Professional teams must consist of one (1) licensed architect or architectural design firm and one (1) licensed contractor or contractor firm. Teams shall register online at [www.dallasbarknbuild.org/competition](http://www.dallasbarknbuild.org/competition).

## REGISTRATION COST

Professional team registration fee is \$500



## IMPORTANT DATES

<b>June 13th</b>	Team Registration Opens & Kick-Off Party @ SPCA of Texas (6 – 8pm)
<b>July 12th</b>	Team Registration Closes (6pm)
<b>July 16th</b>	Team Captain's Meeting @ TEXO (530 – 7pm) – <b>REQUIRED ATTENDANCE</b>
<b>Aug 29th</b>	Preliminary Design Submittal Due To AIA Dallas (5pm) – <b>REQUIRED DEADLINE</b>
<b>Sept 6th</b>	Preliminary Design Review Response Due To Teams
<b>Sept 7th</b>	Team Construction Commences
<b>Oct 24th</b>	Team Captain's Meeting/Team Happy Hour (5 – 7pm) – <b>REQUIRED ATTENDANCE</b>
<b>Nov 8th</b>	Final Design Packet Due To AIA Dallas (5pm) – <b>REQUIRED DEADLINE</b>
<b>Nov 21st</b>	Built Entries Installed @ NorthPark (Schedule TBD) – <b>REQUIRED DEADLINE</b>
<b>Dec 8th</b>	Housewarming Party & Design/Build Awards @ NorthPark (630 – 8pm)

## COMPETITION GUIDELINES

We encourage teams to create original, fun, interesting and one-of-a-kind designs that will be enjoyed by dogs, cats and people alike! Below are the minimum and basic guidelines that must be met by all competition entries. Any homes that do not meeting the below criteria, teams will be asked to re-design, re-build their home or the home may be removed from the competition and/or display at NorthPark.

- All pet homes must provide a safe and comfortable shelter for animals
- All homes must be designed to accommodate removable bedding
- All homes designed for outdoor use must be built with exterior-grade materials and provide a sheltered entry and means to keep floor of home dry from natural elements, such as floor being raised slightly off of the ground
- All doors and/or operable openings must be fixed in the closed position with mechanical fasteners
- All openings must be covered by a minimum of ¼” thick plexiglass and securely attached with mechanical fasteners. Any homes delivered to NorthPark for display without plexiglass installed at time of arrival, will not be allowed to be set on the NorthPark floor. This condition is a requirement of NorthPark for display and must be strictly observed.
- Should homes or plexiglass be damaged while on display, SPCA of Texas will contact the team captains. It is the responsibility of the team captains to ensure the home is repaired within 24 hours of notification. Failure to repair or replace damaged components can result in the home being removed from display. This condition is a requirement of NorthPark for display and must be strictly observed.



## COMPETITION CATEGORIES

At the time of registration, each team will select their preferred design category. Entries are first-come, first-serve and the category will be closed once the maximum number of entries has been received. Please have a backup design category selected before submitting your online team registration.

### **Big Dog (Large)** – Six (6) Entries Available

Designs should feature king-sized concepts with large dogs in mind

Size: 5' wide x 5' high x 5' long (max)

Weight: 500lb (max)

### **Doggy Décor (Medium)** – Six (6) Entries Available

Designs should combine furniture-like aesthetic with the functionality of a doghouse

Size: 3' wide x 4' high x 4' long (max)

Weight: 350lb (max)

### **Teacup Pup (Small)** - Six (6) Entries Available

Designs should feature big-dog creativity in a pint-sized package

Size: 3' wide x 3' high x 4' long (max)

Weight: 250lb (max)

### **Cat Condo (Small)** - Seven (7) Entries Available

Designs should embrace the active, agile and curious nature of cats

Size: 2' wide x 5' high x 2' long (max)

Weight: 250lb (max)

### **Size**

Homes will be limited to the maximum size indicated in your design/build category. Any size within the max size range will be deemed acceptable, pending design review approval. Please note that each doghouse should be designed to fit through a standard 3'-0" door with the exception of those in the 'Big Dog' category.

### **Weight**

Homes cannot exceed the maximum weight limit indicated in your design/build category. Please take into consideration that your team is responsible for transportation and placing of your home on a 42" riser. Please also consider the feasibility of transportation and relocation by the eventual owner as well as NorthPark and SPCA of Texas' maintenance teams.



## PRELIMINARY DESIGN REQUIREMENTS

**DEADLINE:** All teams must submit a final design package no later than **August 29th at 5pm**. All teams must provide a completed preliminary design form to [dallasbarknbuild@gmail.com](mailto:dallasbarknbuild@gmail.com), no later than **August 29th at 5pm**, for review. You **MUST** use the provided form. **NO** exceptions. Any teams that submit preliminary designs, other than on the AIA | TEXO approved form, will be returned and may be eliminated from the design/build competition. The preliminary design package **MUST** include:

- **Preliminary Design Form (Provided)**
- **Company Logos of For Architect/Constructor Team Members in JPEG Format**
- **List of Team Contacts**

AIA Dallas, TEXO, SPCA of Texas, and NorthPark Center reserve the right to decline any design with just cause or reason. Teams will be notified by September 6th of preliminary design review approval.

## CONSTRUCTION REQUIREMENTS

All homes shall be functional and durable for indoor or outdoor use, using materials to withstand the elements, transportation and reasonable wear and tear. All structures must be complete without exposed nails or other materials that may be harmful to animals. All homes in the Doggy Décor and Cat Condo categories should be designed for indoor use only and should be furniture-like in aesthetic.

These structures will be on public display at NorthPark Center. As such, the homes are likely to be touched by thousands of visitors. Please make sure all design elements are firmly attached, avoid sharp edges or corners and use of unfinished materials.

All openings into the home must be covered with mechanically fastened ¼" (or thicker) Plexiglas to prevent access by children, while on display at NorthPark Center. No teams may attach Plexiglas to homes on the NorthPark floor. Homes must arrive to NorthPark with Plexiglas intact, prior to admittance to NorthPark for display.

**If construction requirements are not met at time of delivery, the homes will not be accepted for display and could result in elimination from the design/build competition.**

## FINAL SUBMISSION REQUIREMENTS

**DEADLINE:** All teams must submit a final design package no later than **November 8th at 5pm**. The Final Design Package **MUST** include:

- **Final Design Form (Provided)**
- **Photos Of Built Design**
  - One, signature photo that best shows the design and construction detailing of your **completed** home. This photo will be displayed as THE official photo for your design on the Bark + Build website, all social media posts, SPCA public mobile auction website in perpetuity. No late photos will be accepted.
  - No rendered images of homes will be accepted in lieu of actual, completed home photo
  - All photos must be 1500 pixels by 2100 pixels at 300dpi.
- **Company Logos In JPEG Format**



## DELIVERY

Teams will deliver and install on **Thursday, November 21st**. A delivery schedule will be sent out to team captions no later than 2 weeks prior to install date. The delivery entrance is between Drybar and Victoria's Secret on the east side of NorthPark Center.

## DEADLINE AND DELIVERY PENALTIES

Teams that do not meet the required deadlines set forth in the competition guidelines or fail to deliver a completed home on the date of delivery, shall incur the following penalties.

- **Missed or Late Final Design Submission Deadline:** Due – November 8th
  - Ineligibility for Design/Build Awards
- **Missed or Late Completed Home Photo Deadline:** Due – November 8th
  - Ineligibility for Design/Build Awards
- **Late or Incomplete Home Delivery to NorthPark:** Due – November 21st
  - \$250 Penalty
- **Withdrawal from Competition after Schematic Design Deadline:**
  - \$500 Penalty
    - Penalty provides for missed fundraising revenue for home/team withdrawals to SPCA of Texas

## HOME SIGNAGE

All homes shall be free of any and all company logos and/or signage. Teams may not add any logos for contributing partners nor any products inside the homes that display company names or logos.

Due to strict requirements by NorthPark Center, homes may only have NorthPark, SPCA of Texas and AIA | TEXO sanctioned signage. Sanctioned signage will be created and placed by SPCA of Texas and AIA | TEXO staff only. Teams may not create, display or add any signage in or on their homes.

Homes that do not meet these requirements will not be allowed for display at NorthPark Center and may be removed from eligibility for Design/Build awards.



## **BARK + BUILD AWARDS**

All awards will be presented by AIA | TEXO at the Bark + Build Housewarming Party on December 8th, with the exception of the “Top Dog” (People’s Choice) Award, to be presented at the AIA or TEXO Holiday Party (TBD).

### **“TOP DOG” AWARD**

This is the ‘People’s Choice’ award. The built entry that receives the most votes thus will be deemed as the “Top Dog”. This award is presented by SPCA of Texas and will not be awarded until after the homes have been removed from display at NorthPark Center.

### **“BEST IN SHOW” AWARD**

The “Best in Show” award will be presented as the overall winner of the Bark + Build design/build competition and overall juror’s favorite. This entry will epitomize the best overall design and construction detailing in the pack.

### **“HOT DOG” AWARD**

The “Hot Dog” award will be presented as the overall runner-up to the winner of the Bark + Build design/build competition and as second-place winner.

### **DESIGN/BUILD CATEGORY AWARDS (4 TOTAL)**

Design/Build awards will be presented to the team that best embraces the spirit of their respective category:

- Big Dog – Best Big Doghouse Design/Build
- Teacup Pup – Best Small Doghouse Design/Build
- Doggy Décor – Best Furniture Doghouse Design/Build
- Cat Condo – Best Cat Friendly Design/Build

### **HONORABLE MENTION**

At jury’s discretion.



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