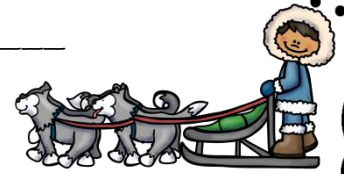


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To Disqualify or Not?



Brent Sass was disqualified from the 2015 Iditarod because he had an iPod Touch with him; a device capable of two way communication. Brent stated that he was not using the iPod Touch to communicate with others, only to watch movies, listen to music, and as his alarm clock. The Iditarod rule states:

Rule 35 (2015 Rule) – Electronic Devices: No two-way communication device, including cell phones, shall be carried or used unless provided by ITC. Use of any electronic communication or tracking device shall not be permitted unless provided by the ITC. While a musher may carry a one-way emergency device such as an emergency locator transmitter (ELT), a Spot™, or other similar satellite tracking device, activation of any help or emergency signal, including accidental activation, will make a musher ineligible to continue and will result in an automatic withdrawal from the race. Night vision goggles are not allowed. Use of GPS is permitted.

Watch Brent's Iditarod Insider video in which he explains why he was disqualified.

<http://iditarod.com/race/?vid=103013>



8 Traits of Iditarod

Innovation: make changes in something established by introducing new methods, ideas of products.

Diligence: having or showing care and conscientious behavior in one's work or duties.

Integrity: demonstrating high moral principles or standards. What you do when you think nobody is watching.

Teamwork: a group of people/or animals working together to achieve a common desired goal.

Attitude: attitude turns barriers into hurdles, obstacles into opportunities and problems into solutions.

Respect: to admire something deeply because of their ability, qualities, actions or achievements.

Optimism: hopefulness and confidence about the future. The belief that good will prevail over evil in the universe.

Determination: a strong will or desire to complete or accomplish a task.

Question:

Should Brent Sass have been disqualified from the 2015 Iditarod for having an iPod Touch with him? Why or why not? Which of the 8 Traits of Iditarod do you think Brent possessed after he was disqualified? Explain.