National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

Official NACSW™

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise, and Clove

Date: Sunday, May 16, 2021

Test Location: Canine Country Academy, 975 Cripple Creek Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

Test Host: Canine Country Academy

Test Secretary: Paula Nowak paula@caninecountryacademy.com

Certifying Official: Silke Wittig

Judge: Barb Haddeman

Entry Cost: \$35 Entry Fee Per Dog/Per Odor Must have additional handler for 2nd dog running the same odor.

Number of Entries: 100

NACSW is requiring that all attendees adhere to social distancing - maintaining 6' of distance - at all trials until further notice even if your jurisdiction has relaxed their requirements or recommendations. Social Distancing requirements at an event are MANDATORY. There is *no option* to mutually consent to be closer together than 6'. Please be respectful that your proximity or request for proximity may make others uncomfortable. Please review the document <u>COVID-19 Event Guidelines</u> that is located in Google docs and was emailed to the membership on 5/8/2020.

In addition to those guidelines the following changes and guidelines are in effect for this trial due to COVID-19.

All attendees (participants and volunteers) will be required to bring and wear face masks when not in their vehicle.

Participants are asked to remain in their vehicles as much as possible. Running of vehicles is permitted. Participants are asked to bring their own hand sanitizer and disinfecting wipes.

If there are any changes or updates that information will be included in your final details information that will be emailed 1-2 weeks before the ORT weekend.

ORT ENTRY INFORMATION

Opening Date: Friday, April 2, 2021 at 8:00 AM ET

Entries Close: Sunday, May 9, 2021 at 9:00 PM ET or When entry limits have been met

Second Dog Policy: Must have additional handler for 2nd dog running the same odor.

Entry Method

Digital entries or scanned and paid via PayPal OR First received By USPS, Mail overnight deliveries must have the signature waived box checked

- UNSIGNED ENTRIES, AND ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES cannot be accepted.
- RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee.
- ENTRIES MUST BE MADE ON THE ATTACHED ENTRY FORM.
- NO ENTRY SHALL BE MADE AND NO ENTRY SHALL BE ACCEPTED, WHICH SPECIFIES ANY CONDITIONS AS TO ITS ACCEPTANCE.
- OWNERS are responsible for errors in making out entry forms.
- EXPRESS MAIL entries must include signature permitting them to be left at the secretary's address without recipient's signature.

Notification

Acknowledgement of entry acceptance/confirmation, will be made by email when entries are processed for those handlers that provide an email address.

Entry Requirements

A Qualified Entry is one that meets <u>all</u> the following criteria:

- 1. Complete entry during the specified entry time frame.
- 2. The Handler is a NACSW member for the 2020-2021 membership year (8/1/20- 7/31/21). For tests prior to August 1, 2021 use 2020-2021 membership year, for tests August 1, 2021 or later, please use 2021-2022 membership year
- 3. The Dog is registered with the NACSW.
- 4. Dogs participating in an Odor Recognition Test (ORT) must be at least six months of age.

For information on how to register or become a member go to www.NACSW.net

Trial Eligibility and ORTs

An ORT must be taken and passed at least 14 days before a trial opening date to be eligible for the first draw period.

Basic Description of the Test

To successfully pass an ORT a dog must identify the location of the target odor and the handler must correctly call an "alert" within a three-minute time period. The Odor Recognition Test consists of a drill type exercise which requires 12 closed boxes set up in a pattern of *one or* two rows, spaced a minimum of 48" apart. The ORT is conducted on leash. Complete information can be obtained on the NACSW website.

All exhibitors should obtain and review a copy of the **NACSW K9 NOSE WORK® RULE BOOK.** You may get it from their website: <u>www.NACSW.net</u>

No dog will be given more than one space in the same odor test at a single event.

<u>Results</u>

During the odor re-sets, the official results sheet will be brought out to the parking area for testers to photo or review. We recommend you verify your results on the official results sheet and let your host or judge know if you have any questions regarding your results.

CANCELLATION POLICY

The following cancellation policy applies: Written Notice 2-weeks prior to Closing Date of Sunday, May 9, 2021 for Full Refund minus 3.5% PayPal fee (if paid by PayPal).

All cancelations must be emailed to paula@caninecountryacademy.com

Entry fees shall not be refunded if a dog or handler is absent, disqualified, or excused by the NACSW official or judge.

This cancellation and refund policy applies to competitors that must withdraw for any reason including but not limited to injury, illness, emergency, and personal or work-related reasons.

If the ORT cannot take place or be completed by reason of fire, civil disturbances, an Act of God, public emergency, or any other cause beyond the control of the test organizers, then the ORT host will make their best effort to provide partial refunds after recouping their expenses.

LOCATION DETAILS

Test Site Hours

The test site will be open from 8:30am to 5:30pm Details regarding check in time and briefing will be sent approximately 1 week before the ORT.

Site Specific Conditions

This ORT test is at Canine Country Academy's Lawrenceville, GA training facility. The parking lot is paved with a slight slope walk from the lower level to the ORT testing area. There is also parking for reactive dogs on our street. The facility is located in an industrial business area. The flooring in the test area has comfortable black foam matting.

Reactive Dog Parking

Available on our street along with separate potty areas.

Unentered Dogs

We are unable to accommodate any unentered dogs for volunteers or spectators.

RV Parking

There is NO RV parking available onsite.

<u>Smoking</u>

Smoking is not allowed on this test site, including the use of e-cigarettes

<u>Hotels</u> La Quinta Inn & Suites 2370 Stephens Center Dr., Duluth, GA 30096 678-957-0500

DOG INFORMATION

Dog Policies

- All dogs must be on a 6' leash at all times when not being tested. NO flexi-leashes while not participating in a test.
- Reactive and/or spatially challenged dogs should wear a red bandana (to be provided by the dog's handler) to help signal others that the dog needs extra space from other dogs.
- Dogs will be toileted in designated areas and handlers must pick-up and dispose of waste.
- Dogs and handlers must stay in designated areas to avoid contaminating testing space, interrupting a test, or from viewing any part of the testing.
- Competitors should expect to keep their dogs confined in a crate or vehicle when not testing and should plan to provide their own shade using canopies or shade cloths.
- Refer to location details (above) for information on unentered dogs.

Females in Season

Will be allowed to run wearing "pants" at the very end of the running orders after all other dogs have been judged. Females in season will be parked and pottied in areas separate from the other dogs while at the test if the location logistics permit. Handlers must contact Paula via email at <u>paula@caninecountryacademy.com</u> plans can be made for the dog.

OTHER INFORMATION

ADA Requests

If you are an individual with a disability and would like to request accommodation(s), please email ADA@nacsw.net. Please include your name, ORT date, ORT host name, and your requested accommodation(s).

Spectators

To minimize the number of people on site, anyone not volunteering, competing, or officiating should stay home except in the case where someone **requires** support to travel to the event. Spectating is currently not allowed. An adult accompanying a minor must be present during the searches. Everyone at the trial site must sign the waiver provided by the host and comply with all event requirements.

Veterinarians

Eastside Animal Medical Center 1835 Grayson Hwy, Grayson, GA 30017 678-985-5530

North Georgia Veterinary Specialists 1328 Buford Hwy NE, Buford, GA 30518 678-835-3300

<u>Rules</u>

Complete rules are available at <u>www.NACSW.net</u>. It is the responsibility of each competitor to read and understand the current NACSW™ Rule book prior to participating in a NACSW event.

Liability

By registering for the ORT Test, the competitor hereby assumes all risks of, and responsibility for, accidents and/or damage to her/himself or to her/his property or to others, resulting from the actions of her/his dog. The competitor expressly agree that the NACSW, Canine Country Academy and its assignees or any other person, or persons, of said groups, shall not be held liable personally, or collectively, under any circumstances, for

injury, and/or damage to her/himself, for loss or injury to property, whether due to uncontrolled dogs or negligence of any member of said groups, or any other cause, or causes. The competitor also agrees to assume all financial liability that may be incurred by the NACSW due to the actions of themselves or their dogs regardless of the cause.

Sportsmanship

All competitors/handlers and spectators are expected to follow the rules of the NACSW and demonstrate good sportsmanship. This includes making sure the hide placements are unknown to the handler prior to testing and kept secret from other competitors. Please do not discuss hide placement or any details of a dog's performance that may provide information or clues to other handlers or may be overheard.

Questions

All Test related questions, contact Paula Nowak, paula@caninecountryacademy.com or call 678-979-2016

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Sunday, May 16, 2021

Canine Country Academy, 975 Cripple Creek Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

\$35 Registration Fee - Payment by check, money order, or PayPal

Please mail this completed form via USPS with your registration fee to: Canine Country Academy 975 Cripple Creek Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30043

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Odor: 🗆	Birch	□ Anise	□ Clove						
Test date(s): Sunday, May 16, 2021									
Dog's Call Name									
Breed(s)									
Dog's NACSW #									
Handler's Name									
Handler's NACSW Membership #									
Address									
City		State		Zip					
Phone where you can easily be reached									
E-mail Address									

An ORT must be taken and passed at least 14 days before a trial opening date to be eligible for the first draw period.

Please contact your host at least 1 day before the ORT if your female dog will be in season.

All confirmations will be sent via e-mail with attachment within 7 days of receipt of complete registration form and payment. If you require a confirmation via USPS, you must provide a self-addressed stamped envelope.

I/We hereby assume all risks of, and responsibility for, accidents and/or damage to myself or to my property or to others, resulting from the actions of my dog. I/We expressly agree that Canine Country Academy (Paula Nowak), 975 Cripple Creek Drive, Lawrenceville, GA 30043 and/or NACSW or any other person, or persons, of said groups, shall not be held liable personally, or collectively, under any circumstances, for injury, and/or damage to my person, for loss or injury to my property, whether due to uncontrolled dogs or negligence of any member of said groups, or any other cause, or causes.

Signed:	Date:	
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