

National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

Official NACSW™

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise, Clove

Date: Saturday April 1, 2023

Test Site Hours: 8 AM – 3 PM

Test Location: Wonderdogs Canine Training Center, 424D Kelley Drive, West Berlin NJ

Test Host: Wonderdogs Canine Training Center (Barbara Kahn)

Test Secretary: Ana Cilursu pal4life@comcast.net

There are no Breed Specific Legislation requirements in this location

Certifying Official: Valerie Casperite

Judge: Bill Gaskins

Entry Cost: \$35 per test

Number of Entries: 100

Event attendees are required to adhere to the NACSW [COVID-19 Event Guidelines and Rules](#). In addition to those guidelines the following changes and guidelines are in effect for this ORT due to COVID-19. All attendees (competitors and volunteers) who are vaccinated, are not required to wear a face mask when in the building at this time. However, please be prepared that if policy does change and you are required to wear a face mask when in the building, you bring your own face mask as they will not be provided. Competitors are asked to remain in their vehicles as much as possible. If there are any changes or updates that information will be included in your final details that will be emailed 1-2 weeks before the ORT weekend. Participants are responsible for staying up to date on any jurisdictional requirements for their home location as well as the trial location including any travel guidance.

ORT ENTRY INFORMATION

Opening Date: Monday February 6, 2023 at 9 AM EST

Entries Close: Monday March 20, 2023 at 9 AM EDT or when entry limits have been met

Second Dog Policy: Two dogs per handler for each odor tested.

Entry Method

Entry Method First Received By USPS

Overnight mail deliveries must have the signature waived box checked.

- **ENTRIES MUST BE MADE ON THE ATTACHED ENTRY FORM**
- **THE WAIVER MUST BE SIGNED IN ORDER FOR THE ENTRY TO BE RECORDED**

- TELEPHONE, FAX, UNSIGNED ENTRIES, AND ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES cannot be accepted.
- RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee. Returned checks will be charged a \$20 fee.
- OWNERS are responsible for errors in making out entry forms.

Notification

Acknowledgement of entry acceptance/confirmation, will be made by email when entries are processed for those handlers that provide an email address. If you require a confirmation via USPS, you must provide a self-addressed stamped envelope with your entry. Your payment receipt and notification is confirmation of your completed entry.

Entry Requirements

A Qualified Entry is one that meets all the following criteria:

1. Complete entry during the specified entry time frame.
2. The Handler is a NACSW member for the 2022-2023 membership year (8/1/22- 7/31/23).
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.

If space remains after all qualified entries are accommodated on March 20, 2023 then we will offer spaces for those who wish to run a dog (FEO). Dogs may only run FEO in odors that they are *not* already registered for. For Exhibit Only Dogs (FEO): Dogs running FEO are not eligible to receive titles. FEO results will not be included in the posted ORT results.

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

Trial Eligibility and ORTs

The ORT Title must be earned at least 14 days before a trial opening date to be eligible for the first draw period. All odors must be passed in order to earn the ORT title. It is not required that they all be passed at the same test.

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 typically set up in a pattern of two rows, spaced a minimum of 48" apart. The ORT is conducted on leash. Complete information can be obtained on the NACSW website. Handlers may test on all 3 odors at the same test.

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

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

Results

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:

For cancellation of entries on or before 9PM EST March 25, 2023 - Full refund minus \$5 processing fee.

For cancellation of entries after 9PM EST March 25, 2023 no refunds will be issued unless the space can be filled in which case a refund will be issued minus a \$5 processing fee.

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. We ask that refunds be addressed within 30 days of the cancellation.

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.

All cancellations must be emailed to **Ana Cilursu** at pal4life@comcast.net .

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

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LOCATION DETAILS

Modeled after real-life detection work, NACSW trials are held in many different locations, with a variety of terrain, under varying weather conditions. Dogs and handlers need to be able to safely negotiate a variety of surfaces, including, but not limited to, tile, linoleum, carpeting, gravel, asphalt, uneven surfaces, and slippery footing. Handlers should be prepared to deal with a variety of weather conditions, including heat, cold, rain and snow. Trials frequently require covering extensive distances to get to and from the parking area to each of the search areas and generally require that this be done across natural, uneven surfaces. Handlers should be prepared for the physical demands and must be able to navigate the terrain with their dog accordingly. Participants should expect to spend most of the day outside or in their vehicles as there are rarely indoor crating options at trials. Please be prepared for you and your canine partner to deal with all of these varying environmental challenges. Handlers should familiarize themselves with potential regional risks and health concerns that may affect themselves or their dogs. Handlers agree that they are entering this trial at their own risk.

ADA Site Specific Conditions

This location is a canine training facility. The indoor facility has rubber matting throughout. Parking lot and pathways to enter the building are paved. The search area and building are on level ground. Walking distance to the search area will depend on your parking location. There are no stairs to navigate inside the building. Rest rooms are available inside the building for competitors but will be closed during odor testing. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather, these conditions may be modified at the last minute.

Reactive Dog Parking and Competitor Parking

There is no reactive dog parking at this test nor are there separate potty areas or warm up boxes for reactive dogs.

Parking is available throughout the parking lot of the premises and on the commercial street at the entrance to the lot. The parking lot is paved. Available shade will be limited to that provided by the adjacent buildings and time of day.

Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

Unentered Dogs

Unentered dogs must remain in the competitor's vehicle during the test day and should be walked only for potty purposes. Unentered dogs should not be allowed to "play", exercise, or train on the test grounds. Spectators may not be accompanied by unentered dogs.

RV Parking

There is no RV parking offered at this test. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

Running Vehicles or Generators in the parking lot

The parking is tight at this location and running your vehicles in the parking lot is not allowed at this test site. Running of your vehicle on the street is allowed but please show consideration for other competitors parked nearby.

Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute.

Crating Options

We will be unable to provide any crating at this location. All competitors must work from their cars. Due to unforeseen conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, this policy may be modified at the last minute

Smoking

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

Hotels

A list of area hotels and directions will be provided with entry confirmations.

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 day after all other dogs have tested. 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 **Ana Cilursu** at pal4life@comcast.net so plans can be made for the dog.

OTHER INFORMATION

Event attendees are required to adhere to the NACSW [COVID-19 Event Guidelines and Rules](#) In addition to those guidelines the following changes and guidelines are in effect for this ORT due to COVID-19.

All attendees (competitors and volunteers) should bring face masks. Wearing of face masks is optional in the parking lot and building. Competitors are asked to remain in their vehicles as much as possible and advised to bring their own hand sanitizer and disinfectant 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. Participants are responsible for staying up to date on any jurisdictional requirements for their home location as well as the trial location including any travel guidance.

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

Space permitting, spectating will be allowed per ORT guidelines as outlined in the rule book. The ORT Certifying Official has the right to limit spectators at their discretion. Only immediate family members/friends of the dog/handler team being tested may spectate that team. ORT participants may have a friend or family member video/photograph their test. ORT participants may not video/photograph one another. Minors under 18 must be directly supervised by a parent/guardian.

Participants in an ORT may not be spectators for other participants regardless of relationship (with the exception of a minor testing after the accompanying adult tests).

An adult accompanying a minor must be present during the searches. Everyone at the test site must sign the waiver provided by the host and comply with all event requirements. Participants are not allowed to watch the testing at any time.

No unentered dogs with spectators are allowed at the trial and spectators are reminded that hide placements must not be discussed nor should they speak with any participants about what they saw until after the test is complete.

Veterinarians

Northstar Vets 24 Hr Emergency & Specialty Hospital – 2834 Rt 73 N, Maple Shade, NJ 08052 609-259-8300

Mount Laurel Animal Hospital 24 Hr Emergency & Specialty Hospital - 220 Mt Laurel Rd, Mt Laurel Township, NJ 08054 856-234-7626

Rules

Complete rules are available at www.NACSW.net. **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, WonderDogs Canine Training Center, 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 **Ana Cilursu** at pal4life@comcast.net

Details regarding check in time and briefing will be sent approximately 1 week before the ORT.

WONDERDOGS CANINE TRAINING CENTER

NACSW™ – Odor Recognition Test

SATURDAY, APRIL 1, 2023

\$35.00 PER ODOR Registration Fee - Payment by check or money order made out to Wonderdogs Canine Training Center

Please mail this completed form via USPS with your registration fee to:

**Ana Cilursu
803 East Lexington Court
Galloway NJ 08205-3043**

Questions: Contact: Ana Cilursu pal4life@comcast.net

Odor: Birch Anise Clove

Test date(s): Saturday April 1, 2023

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 secretary 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 Wonderdogs Training Canine Center 424 D Kelley Drive, West Berlin NJ 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: _____