

National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

Official NACSW™

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise, and Clove.

Date: Saturday September 24th, 2022

**Test Location: Salem Gun Club
210 Salem Drive New Alexandria, Pa. 15670**

Test Host: Steel City Nosework, LLC

Certifying Official: Lori Timberlake

Judge: Cindy Luster

Test Secretary: Milissa DeFloria

Entry Cost: \$35 per run

Number of Entries: 120

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.

Any travel and quarantine recommendations, restrictions and requirements for the trial location and local jurisdiction. All attendees (competitors and volunteers) will bring and wear face masks when not in your vehicle. Competitors are asked to remain in their vehicles as much as possible. Running of vehicles is permitted. Competitors are asked 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.

ORT ENTRY INFORMATION

Opening Date: Monday, June 27, 2022, at 8:00 AM EST

Entries Close: Friday, September 16, 2022, at 5:00 PM EST or when entry limits have been met.
be required

Second Dog Policy: No second dog accommodations at this site.

To keep groups small at this time, we may split the ORT into two groups. One group will run in the morning and one in the afternoon.

Entry Method

First received by USPS, Mail overnight deliveries must have signature waived box checked.

- TELEPHONE, FAX, UNSIGNED ENTRIES, AND **ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES** cannot be accepted.
- RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee. There will be a \$50 fee for any returned checks
- 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 the recipient's signature.
- **Please mail entries, liability waiver, covid waiver, and payment to:** C/O Milissa DeFloria 536 Edgeview Road Lower Burrell, Pa. 15068. Please make check out to Milissa DeFloria.

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 are confirmation of your completed entry

Entry Requirements

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

1. Complete entry during the specified period.
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 taking part 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: 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 5 pm EST September 16, 2022 – Full refund minus \$5 processing fee. For cancellation of entries after 5 pm EST September 16, 2022 – a refund will only be issued if a note is provided from a doctor or veterinarian.

Please contact Milissa DeFloria for all cancelations
All cancelations must be emailed to camomisi@yahoo.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

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

Site Specific Conditions

"This ORT test is at a Gun Club. **This site will be closed the day of the test.** The parking lot is gravel and the pathway to and from the parking lot to the test area may require you to navigate uneven terrain, including gravel and dirt walkways. The flooring in the test area is a tiled floor. Due to conditions, such as weather or change in availability of areas at the location, the expected test area, parking, and/or pathways may be modified at the last minute. **Please bring your lunch.**

Reactive Dog Parking

There will be reactive dog parking at this test for those who wish to park in this area, however the parking areas are tight and there will not be separate potty areas or warm up boxes. 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

We are unable to accommodate any unentered dogs at this location.

RV Parking

There is no space for RVs to park in the competitor parking area during the test day. No overnight RV parking is available. 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.

This location will allow running your vehicles or generators in the parking lot. 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 will be in competitor vehicles only. 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 is not allowed on this test site, including the use of e-cigarettes

Hotels

Holiday Inn Express Murrysville-Delmont 6552 US-22, Delmont, Pa. 15626 Phone # 1-855-479-0732
Super 8 by Wyndham 180 Sheffield Drive, Delmont, Pa. 15626 Phone # 1-855-516-1093
Red Roof Inn 111 Sheraton Drive Greensburg, Pa. 15601 Phone # 833-947-2467

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 Milissa DeFloria at camomisi@yahoo.com so 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

Space permitting, spectating will be allowed per ORT guidelines as outlined in the rule book. The ORT Certifying official has the right to limit at their discretion. ORT participants may have a friend or family member video/photograph their test. ORT participants may not video/photograph one another. Children under the age of 18 must always be directly supervised by a parent/guardian. No dogs will be allowed in the spectator area. No unentered dogs with spectators are allowed at the trial. Spectators are reminded that the hide placement must not be discussed nor should they speak with any participants about what they saw until after the test is complete.

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.

Veterinarians

Five Points Vet Services 117 Salem Drive New Alexandria, Pa. 15670

Delmont Veterinary Hospital 2774 PA-66, Delmont, Pa. 15626

Emergency-AVETS 2674 Monroeville Blvd, Monroeville, Pa. 15146

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 agrees that the NACSW, Steel City Nosework, LLC., Milissa DeFloria, Salem Gun Club, 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 Milissa DeFloria email address: camomisi@yahoo.com

Steel City Nosework, LLC. NACSW™ and Milissa DeFloria – Odor Recognition Test

Saturday, September 24, 2022

Salem Gun Club, 210 Salem Drive New Alexandria, Pa, 15670

Registration Fee - Payment by check, or money order

Please mail this completed form via USPS with your registration fee, entry, covid waiver, and liability waiver to: C/O Milissa DeFloria 536 Edgeview Road Lower Burrell, Pa. 15068.

Questions: Contact Milissa DeFloria at camomisi@yahoo.com

PLEASE PRINT LEGITIBLLY

Odor: Birch Anise Clove

Test date: Saturday, September 24, 2022

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 Steel City Nosework LLC., Milissa DeFloria, Salem Gun Club 210 Salem Drive New Alexandria, Pa. 15670 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: _____

Please return waiver with your entry form

WAIVER OF LIABILITY AND INFORMED CONSENT

I understand that participating in NACSW ORT at Salem Gun Club, whether as a participant, a volunteer, or a spectator, holds some risk. These risks include, but are not limited to, that the behavior of dogs and other domestic animals is sometimes unpredictable, cannot be guaranteed, and can result in serious personal injury or death to bystanders, as well as extensive property damage. In addition, I and/or my dog may be exposed to challenging, treacherous or unstable terrain and footing during the Event.

Acknowledging my awareness of the risks associated with participating or observing any type of detection style training or competition, I hereby waive and release any claim or cause of action that I may otherwise have against Amy Herot, Jill-Marie O'Brien, K9 Nose Work®, National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®, Steel City Nosework LLC., Salem Gun Club, Milissa DeFloria and their respective employees, officers, directors, agents, or contractors (collectively, the "Released Parties") for any claim or cause of action for personal injury or property damage (collectively, a "Claim") arising out of or in connection with events, accidents or other occurrences at the Event, except to the extent that the Claim arises out of the intentional misconduct or gross negligence of the Released Party. I further agree to defend, indemnify, and hold harmless each Released Party from and against any and all claims, damages, costs, and expenses arising out of or in connection with any Claim that is based, in whole or in part, on acts or omissions by me or by any person or animal for whom or for which I have or had responsibility or control.

I represent and affirm that to the best of my knowledge and belief: (1) I do not have COVID-19 nor am I waiting for test results; (2) I have not been tested and found positive for COVID-19 or if I have tested positive for COVID-19, I certify that I have been released by government officials and/or health care providers to resume normal activity without limit; (3) If I have experienced symptoms associated with COVID-19 including fever, coughing, or shortness of breath or if I have been in contact with or exposed to any known carrier of COVID-19, I have met the current CDC recommendations regarding testing and/or quarantine.

I am representing my condition as of signing, and if, as of the later time of the event, there has been any change in any of the conditions represented, I am obligated to formally notify the event host of the changed conditions at the time of and before participating in the event. I agree to follow any specific event guidelines, precautions, and requirements to mitigate the possibility of event participants or attendees contracting or spreading COVID-19. I understand the risks of contracting or being exposed to COVID-19 associated with my attendance at this event, and I knowingly accept those risks. I agree to waive, release, and hold harmless all Released Parties from and against any claim, liability, loss, or expense arising from or based upon a COVID-19 infection acquired by myself or any of my family members or associates as a result of or contemporaneous with attendance or participation at this event.

Participation in NACSW events requires adherence to all host, facility, and jurisdictional guidelines and requirements relating to COVID-19. This may include testing, vaccinations, quarantines, temperature checks and other safety measures.

I have read, understand, and agree to the above:

Name (Print) _____
Signature

Date

Name of dogs at event location:

- 1) _____
- 2) _____

Parental Consent:

I am the lawful parent and/or legal guardian of the above-named minor. I acknowledge that I have read and understand this Liability Waiver and that I and the above-named minor will be bound by said Liability Waiver.

_____ Date _____

Signature

Please return waiver with your entry form

Attention: All NACSW participants and volunteers

Updated: 5/10/2021

This document provides information regarding expectations and requirements regarding trial events as the COVID-19 situation continues to evolve. It is your responsibility to be aware of the current information if you attend an event.

NACSW Event Attendees Requirements and Guidelines

All attendees of an event (competitors, volunteers, officials, etc.) are required to follow all local, state, federal, and CDC orders, guidelines and recommendations including but not limited to travel, social distancing of a minimum of 6' at all times, face masks, hand washing/sanitizing. In the event of conflicting recommendations, guidelines or orders the strictest one will apply.

There may be additional host or facility requirements such as temperature checks a requirement for attending a trial. All attendees must follow all lawful requirements. Hosts will include specifics regarding the applicable requirements and recommendations regarding COVID-19 for their trials in the premium and the final details email. Be aware that this information may change as the trial date approaches. The hosts will make their best effort to update you on these changes as they take place. It is your responsibility to make sure you are willing to follow the requirements and recommendations prior to paying for an entry to the trial. The published cancellation policy will apply.

Please continue to verify spectator guidelines prior to bringing additional people to the event.

All attendees will stay home if they are not feeling well, showing any symptoms of COVID-19 or have been in contact with anyone who has tested positive for COVID-19. We also recommend that those in at risk groups follow any local, state, federal, CDC recommendations for staying home.

Anyone in attendance at the trial will be subject to NACSW disciplinary action if they do not adhere to the information in this document.

Any questions relating to a specific event may be sent to the trial host. Any other questions may be sent to trial@nacswnet