

National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

Official NACSW™

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise, Clove

Date: Saturday, October 7, 2023

Test Site Hours: 8AM-3PM

Test Location: Redwood Community Center, 280 6th St, Brookhaven, PA 19015

Test Host: Michelle Frumento, Your Mannerly Mutt, Inc.

Certifying Official: Michelle Frumento

Judge: Lisa Woodard

Entry Cost: \$35 per odor

Number of Entries: 100

ORT ENTRY INFORMATION

Opening Date: Friday, June 16 at 8AM

Entries Close: Thursday, October 5th at 12pm or **when limit has been reached.**

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

Entry Method

- 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. **There will be a \$25.00 for returned checks.**
- Entries must be made on the attached entry form.
- 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.

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 2023-2024 membership year (8/1/23- 7/31/24).
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

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 Saturday, September 23, 2023 – Full refund minus \$10 processing fee. For cancellation of entries after Saturday, September 23, 2023 no refunds will be issued.

All cancelations must be emailed to Michelle Frumento at michelle@yourmannerlymutt.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

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

The testing will be inside with wood flooring. There is 1 step into the building. There will be separate entry and exit doors to the testing area. All dogs must be crated in your car until they are being tested, as there is no inside crating at the ORT facility. You are responsible for picking up after your dog. All dogs must be on a 6 foot leash at all times when not being tested.. No flexi leashed for walking dogs on the test site grounds. Flexis may be used in the test itself.

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

Parking

The parking lot is large so dogs will have plenty of space. There are a few trees in the lot but shade cloth is recommended 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.

Reactive Dog Parking

There is no separate reactive dog parking. However, the lot is large so there is plenty of space to spread out. 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

No un-entered dogs are permitted.

RV Parking

No RV Parking allowed.

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Running Vehicles or Generators in the parking lot

There is ample parking for those wishing to run their vehicles during the day.

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Crating Options

No Indoor crating.

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Smoking

Smoking is not allowed on this test site.

Hotels

Please check pet policies before making reservations!

The Inn at Swarthmore

10 S Chester Rd, Swarthmore, PA 19081

Phone: **(610) 543-7500**

Home2 Suites by Hilton Ridley Park

145 Stewart Ave, Ridley Park, PA 19078

Phone: (484) 490-6605

Red Roof PLUS+ Philadelphia Airport

49 Industrial Hwy, Essington, PA 19029

Phone: (610) 521-5090

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 michelle@yourmannerlymutt.com 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.

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 test 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

Spectators 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. ORT participants may have a friend or family member video/photograph their test. ORT participants may not video/photograph one another. Children under 18 must always be directly supervised by a parent/guardian. No dogs will be allowed in the spectator area. No dogs with spectators are allowed at the test. Spectators are reminded that the hide placements 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

Glenolden Animal Hospital 405 MacDade Blvd. Glenolden PA 19036 Phone: **(610) 237-6120**

Brookhaven Veterinary Hospital 101 E Garrison Rd, Brookhaven, PA 19015 Phone: **(610) 874-1000**

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, Michelle Frumento & Your Mannerly Mutt, Inc. 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 Michelle Frumento, michelle@yourmannerlymutt.com

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

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NACSW™ – Odor Recognition Test

Test Location
Redwood Community Center, 280 6th St, Brookhaven, PA 19015

\$35.00 Registration Fee Per Odor- Payment by check or money order

Please mail this completed form via USPS with your registration fee to:
Your Mannerly Mutt, Inc.
2309 Cedar Lane, Secane, PA 19018

Questions: Contact: [michelle@yourmannerlymutt.com

Odor: Birch Anise Clove

Test date(s): Saturday, October 7, 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 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 Your Mannerly Mutt, Inc., Redwood Community Center, 280 6th St, Brookhaven, PA 19015, 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: _____