National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

Official NACSW™

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise, Clove

Date: Sunday August 14, 2022

Test Location: Gentle Touch Pet Training, 173 Buckley Road, San Luis Obispo, CA

Test Host: Becky Anastasio, “Day of Host”

Test Secretary: Teah Anders, teah@gentlepets.com

Certifying Official: Betty Scattini, CNWI

Judge: Teah Anders, CNWI

Entry Cost: $35 for each ORT (each odor tested)

Number of Entries: 110

To keep groups small at this time, we are splitting the ORT into two groups. One group will run in the morning and one in the afternoon. See details below.

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 shall be followed.

Our County recommendations regarding masking are the same as the State of CA at this time.

Social distancing of 6’ is recommended outside. 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: May 22, 2022 at 9:00 AM PDT
Entries Close: August 5, 2022 at 9:00 AM PDT or When entry limits have been met

Second Dog Policy: No second dog entries. One dog per handler.

Entry Method

Entries are to be made online at www.gentlepets.com/ort-sunday-8-14-2022

- ENTRIES MUST BE MADE ON THE ONLINE ENTRY FORM.
- Handlers must select what session they are signing up for AM or PM (only one session per handler).
- 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 filling out entry forms.

Notification
Acknowledgement of entry acceptance/confirmation will be made by email when entries are processed. 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.

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:

Cancellation/Refund Policy
For cancellation of entries on or before 5 PM PDT August 3, 2022 – Full refund minus $10 processing fee per odor will be issued. For cancellation of entries after 5 PM PDT August 3, 2022 – no refunds will be issued.
All cancellations must be sent by email to teah@gentlepets.com. You will receive a reply email within 5 days at the latest.
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
8:30 AM – 5:00 PM

We are running the same ORT split into two sessions to keep groups small and allow you to complete your ORT in a half day (No second dog entries). Select your choice of AM/PM session on the registration form. One Orientation will be held for all three odors at the start time for each session.

AM session: 9:00 AM – 12:15 PM
PM session: 1:15 PM – 4:30 PM

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

Site Specific Conditions
The test will be held inside in the training center. The surface is textured vinyl flooring. The parking area is road base (gravel).
Please bring dog crates/pens and any other comfort requirements (bedding, water bowls, etc.) so that your dog can be comfortable. The fields and the parking area do not have a lot of shade so plan to bring shade and/or crate fans for your dog(s). Please bring a chair for waiting outside. Weather here is variable as it could be warm or cool and it could even rain. Watch the weather report and dress in layers.
Dogs are to be crated in the car, or completely secure metal crates or covered x-pens next to the car. All dogs must be on a 6' leash at all times when not being tested. No flexi-leashes for walking dogs on test site grounds; flexis may be used in the test itself. Please clean up after your dog.
Due to unforeseen 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.

Reactive Dog Parking
There will be reactive dog parking at this test for those who wish to park in this area, however the parking is 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
Unentered dogs must remain in the competitor's vehicle during the test day. There will be ample potty areas, but unentered dogs should not be allowed to "play", exercise, or train on the test grounds.

RV Parking
There is not space for RVs to park in the competitor parking area during the test 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.

Running Vehicles or Generators in the parking lot
The parking is tight at this location and running your vehicles or generators in the parking lot is not allowed at this test.

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

Hotels
A list of area hotels is available here:

www.gentlepets.com/slo-dog-friendly-lodging

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 order and at the end of the day 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 teah@gentlepets.com 3 days prior to the ORT 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

While it's opened up in our County as far as gatherings, we would appreciate your cooperation in limiting the number of people on site. In addition to those competing, volunteering or officiating, please help us keep spectators to a minimum. If you are traveling with a family member or require support from someone to travel to the event, spectating (space permitting) 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 unentered dogs with spectators are allowed at the trial. 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.

Veterinarians
www.gentlepets.com/slo-vets-emergency-clinics

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, Gentle Touch Pet Training 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 Teah Anders, teah@gentlepets.com.