



**National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®**

**Official NACSW™**

**ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS**

**Odors Tested:**

Birch, Anise, and Clove

**Date:**

Saturday, October 10, 2020

**TEST LOCATION:**

Catoctin Kennel Club  
4016 Rock Hall Rd,  
Point of Rocks, MD 21777

**Please do not mail entries to the test site.  
Those mailed to the site may result in non-entry.**

**Test Host:**

Rock Hall Dog Training Club (RHDTTC)

**Test Secretary**

Linda Harrison  
14112 Eternity Road  
Germantown, MD 20874  
linda\_lou\_h@yahoo.com

**Entries are mailed to this address.**

**Certifying Official:**

Jessica Miller

**Judge:**

Vinny Catalano

**Entry Cost:**

\$35 entry fee/each odor/each dog  
Make checks out to Rock Hall Dog Training Club (RHDTC).

**Number of Entries**

100 tests maximum

**Second Dog Policy**

If the handler is running a second dog in the same odor, the second dog's fee is \$35.00.

**Opening Date**

Saturday, September 5, 2020 at 8am EDT

**Entries Closes**

Thursday, October 1, 2020 at 5pm EDT or When entry limits have been met.

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 [COVID-19 Event Guidelines](#) 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 in the search.

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.

**Entry Method**

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

Entries arriving prior to the entry date will be notified that their entry is not a valid entry.

### **Entries**

- TELEPHONE, FAX, UNSIGNED ENTRIES, AND ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES cannot be accepted.
- RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee. Checks without sufficient funds may result in non-entry unless bad check fee of \$36 fee is paid to hosting agency with entry fee by money order or cashier's check within 1 week of notification.
- 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. 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.

### **Test Site Hours**

7:30am EDT to end of testing.

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

### **Entry Requirements**

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

1. Complete entry during the specified entry timeframe.
2. The Handler is a NACSW™ member for the 2020-2021 membership year (8/1/20-7/31/21).
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 and must appear to be healthy on trial day and should be current on all vaccinations required by law.

For information on how to register or become a member go to [www.NACSW.net](http://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 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](http://www.NACSW.net)*

## **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.

## **Refund and Cancellation Policy:**

Cancellations made on or before Friday, October 2, 2020 at 5:00pm EDT will be refunded minus a \$10 administration fee for each dog. No refunds after Friday, October 2, 2020 at 5:00pm EDT.

Refund checks will be mailed 30 days after the date of the ORT.

All cancellations must be emailed to linda\_lou\_h@yahoo.com.

Entry Fees shall not be refunded in the event that a dog 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 Odor Recognition Test (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 ORT organizers, then the ORT host will make their best effort to provide partial refunds after recouping their expenses.

## **Test Location:**

### **Site Specific Conditions**

The test location has a small asphalt parking lot, however, plenty of parking is available on the grass in front of the building. The building is handicap accessible, but may need some accommodation, please let us know if you need handicap access to the building. The test room flooring is made up of obedience rubber matting. Building rest rooms will be available if the number of tests is low, otherwise Porta Potties will be available in the parking lot.

### **Directions to Test Site**

From I-70: take US Rte 340 West from Frederick towards Leesburg & Harpers Ferry; take US 15 South to Point of Rocks, MD Rte 28 (flashing yellow light immediately before Potomac River Bridge); turn left onto Rte 28 and go approximately 1 mile and turn right onto Rock Hall Rd. (immediately after Railroad tracks); site is one story building on left.

Directions: From Washington I-270 North: take US Rte 70 West and follow directions above.

### **Reactive Dog Parking**

There will not be marked reactive dog parking at this test, however the grass parking on the Route 28 side of the building should allow distance from others. There will not be separate warm up boxes.

### **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 no space for RVs to park in the competitor parking area during the test day.

## **Running Vehicles or Generators in the parking lot**

There should be room to space vehicles to allow running air conditioning or generators. Please show consideration to fellow competitors and allow space between vehicles to accommodate exhaust fumes.

## **Crating**

No indoor crating will be allowed.

## **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. Trash cans will be provided front of the building.
- 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.

## **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 linda\_lou\_h@yahoo.com so plans can be made for the dog.

## **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.

## **Smoking**

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

## **Hotels**

To the best of our knowledge as of this printing, these hotels accept dogs. Always check to see if policy has changed. Room and pet fees vary:

### **Best Western Leesburg Hotel**

726 E Market St  
Leesburg, VA 20176-4401

### **Best Western Historic Frederick**

420 Prospect Blvd  
Frederick, MD 21701

## **Veterinarians**

Buckeystown Veterinary Hospital  
3820 Buckeystown Pike  
Buckeystown, MD 21717  
(301) 698-9930

## **Rules**

Complete rules are available at [www.NACSW.net](http://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™, Rock Hall Dog Training 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 Linda Harrison, [linda\\_lou\\_h@yahoo.com](mailto:linda_lou_h@yahoo.com)

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NACSW™ – Odor Recognition Test**

**Saturday, October 10, 2020**

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Point of Rocks, MD 21777**

**\$35 Registration Fee - Payment by check or money order made out to RHDTTC.  
No PayPal.**

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

**RHDTTC c/o Linda Harrison, 14112 Eternity Rd., Germantown, MD 20874**

Questions: Contact Linda Harrison, 301-307-7277, linda\_lou\_h@yahoo.com

Odor:         Birch                                 Anise                                 Clove

Test date(s): Saturday, October 10, 2020

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 \_\_\_\_\_

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**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 Rock Hall Dog Training Club / Linda Harrison, 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: \_\_\_\_\_