

# National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC®

## Official NACSW™

### ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors Tested: Birch, Anise & Clove

Date: Saturday October 5, 2024

Test Site Hours: 8AM to 4 PM

Test Location: Calvary Church- 700 E. Monte Vista Ave., Turlock, CA 95380  
(Please do not mail entries to this address, see info on entry form)

Test Host: Toni Duraliski

Test Secretary: Toni Duraliski – Tduraliski@aol.com

Certifying Official: Josette Kimes

Judge: Maureen Campos

Entry Cost: \$35 per odor

Number of Entries: 125

It will be decided after closing date whether we are splitting into AM and PM groups.

#### ORT ENTRY INFORMATION

**Opening Date:** Wednesday, August 14<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 9:00AM PT

**Entries Close:** Wednesday, September 25<sup>th</sup>, 2024 @ 9:00 AM PT or when entry limits have been met.

**Second Dog Policy:** One dog per odor tested per handler

#### Entry Method

First received By USPS. Payment by check must accompany entry. No Mail overnight deliveries and No signature required mail

- Telephone, Fax, Unsigned Entries, and Entries Received Without Fees Cannot Be Accepted.
- Returned Checks Do Not Constitute a Valid Entry Fee. \$50 returned check fee.
- 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

## **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 Exhibit Only Dogs (FEO): Dogs running FEO are not eligible to receive titles. FEO results will not be included in the posted ORT results. If space remains after all qualified entries are accommodated on September 25, 2024, 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 and that they have *not* already registered for.

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

### **Notification**

Acknowledgement of entry acceptance/confirmation, will be made by email when entries are processed for those handlers that provide an email address.

### **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](http://www.NACSW.net)*

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

## **CANCELLATION POLICY**

The following cancellation policy applies:

For cancellation of entries on or before 5pm pacific time September 25, 2024 – Full refund minus \$10 processing fee. For cancellation of entries after 5 pm September 25, 2023 – a 50% refund will be issued if the host can fill your space. No refunds will be issued after this date if the host cannot fill your space. No refunds will be issued for cancellations during the last 72hrs before the event or no-shows.

If you earn the title that makes you no longer eligible for the level you are entered, then you must contact the trial host to cancel your entry and will be subject to the published cancellation policy. You may opt to change your entry to an FEO entry in this case and will be placed on the FEO waitlist and only receive a space in the ORT if the host is accepting FEO entries.

All cancellations must be emailed to Toni Duralski at [Tduralski@aol.com](mailto:Tduralski@aol.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

### **ADA Site Specific Conditions**

This Test will be held at a church Campus. The parking lot is on paved, level ground with little to no shade. There is limited space for dog potty areas. Coming and going to search areas will all be on black top or cement sidewalks. The test area is an indoor gymnasium.

**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.**

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.

### **Parking**

The parking lot is on paved level ground with little to no shade.

### **RV Parking**

No overnight RV parking is available. Please notify Host if you plan to bring an RV the day of the ORT so arrangements can be made for parking.

### **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.

### **Reactive Dog Parking**

There will not be reactive dog parking at this test.

### **Unentered Dogs**

Unentered dogs must remain in the competitor's vehicle during the test day. Unentered dogs should not be allowed to "play", exercise, or train on the test grounds.

### **Smoking**

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

### **Hotels**

Comfort Suites Turlock 209-667-7777

[Choice Suites Turlock](#)

Sunrise Inn Turlock 209-216-5586

[Sunrise inn Turlock](#)

Home 2 Suites by Hilton 209-667-2972

[Home 2 Suites by Hilton](#)

Motel 6 Turlock 209-667-4100

[Motel 6 Turlock](#)

## 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 email Toni Duralski at [Tduralski@aol.com](mailto:Tduralski@aol.com) so plans can be made for the dog.

## OTHER INFORMATION

### **COVID-19 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 test due to COVID-19. There are currently no travel or mask restrictions for this area. If there are any significant changes or updates after the draw period, handlers will be notified via email. Handlers are responsible for staying up to date on any jurisdictional requirements for their home location as well as the event 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](mailto:ADA@nacsw.net). Please include your name, ORT date, ORT host name, and your requested accommodation(s).

### **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 agrees that the NACSW, Toni Duralski, 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.

### **Results**

During the odor re-sets, the official results sheet will be brought out to the parking area for handlers 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.

### **Spectators**

Additional guests of handlers traveling in the same vehicle, are welcome, however spectating opportunities may be limited. Please verify attendance policies with the Test Host Contact/Secretary before bringing or inviting anyone not volunteering, handling, or officiating.

Spectators are reminded that the hide placements must not be discussed nor should they speak with any handlers about what they saw until after the event is complete.

No dogs will be allowed in the spectator area. No unentered dogs with spectators are allowed at the event. An adult accompanying a minor must be present during the searches.

Everyone at the site must sign the waiver provided by the host and comply with all event requirements. Handlers are not allowed to watch the searches at any time.

### **Videotaping and Photography**

If the site allows public video to be taken, handlers may wear visible head or chest cameras to record their searches. You will not be allowed extra time at the start line to get your camera functioning. Please be sure it is ready to go prior to arriving at the search area. At ORTs, handlers may bring a spectator to video or photograph their searches. Videos may not be made public until completion of the event day. At the host's discretion, a photographer and/or video service may be present during the event to offer photos and/or videos for sale to the handlers.

### **Volunteering**

Anyone who is not testing is welcome to volunteer. If you know of someone who would like to volunteer, please have contact Rene Meyers at remeye2@aol.com or Toni Duralski at Tduralski@aol.com with questions. Your time and effort are GREATLY appreciated!

### **Veterinarians**

Monte Vista Small Animal Hospital- 901 E. Monte Vista Ave., Turlock, CA (209) 634-0023

[Monte Vista Small Animal Hospital](#)

Taylor Veterinary Hospital- 1231 W. Taylor Rd., Turlock, CA (209) 669-8600

[Taylor Vet](#)

### **Questions**

All Test related questions, contact Toni Duralski- Tduralski@aol.com

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

**Toni Duralski**  
**NACSW™ – Odor Recognition Test**  
**Saturday, October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024**

Location: Calvary Church- 700 E. Monte Vista Ave., Turlock, CA 95380

\*\*\* Do not mail entries to this address, please see below.

\$35.00 per Test Registration Fee – (3 tests are \$105.00) Payment by check

**Make checks payable to: Toni Duralski**

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

**Toni Duralski- 2363 Shire Way, Turlock, CA 95380**

Questions: Contact: Toni Duralski- [Tduralski@aol.com](mailto:Tduralski@aol.com)

For Exhibition Only (Have completed successfully Odor Test)

Odor:  Birch  Anise  Clove

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**PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY**

Test date(s): Saturday October 5<sup>th</sup>, 2024

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 Toni Duralski, Calvary Church- 700 E. Monte Vista Ave., Turlock, CA 95380, 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: \_\_\_\_\_