



Head Over Tails Training hosts

National Association of Canine Scent Work, LLC[®]

ODOR RECOGNITION TESTS

Odors: Birch, Anise, Clove

SUNDAY, MAY 6, 2018

***Smart Dog Training Center
910 Curtin Street
Houston, Texas 77018***

This test will be held in a climate-controlled building in a small urban mixed commercial and residential area. The test area includes smooth, level concrete flooring, tile and vinyl matting. The parking lot is private to the test site and is directly adjacent to the test building with clear, level concrete path access and a very short walk. There is one step up to enter and exit the test facility. The parking lot is small and primarily concrete, but a portion is grass on packed dirt. 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.

**Entry method – First received By Online Entry or USP Mail. Overnight USP Mail deliveries must have the signature waived box checked.
Entries open March 19, 2018.**

Entries close May 1, 2018 at 6:00 PM CT or when entry limits have been met.

Entries are LIMITED to 60 tests.

Test Site Hours: 8:30AM – 2:00PM. Handler Briefing at 9:30 AM.
Details regarding check in time and briefing will be sent approximately 1 week before the ORT.

Odor

Birch, Anise, Clove

Test Secretary

Emily Pyle

2026 Gable Hollow Lane, Katy, Texas 77450

emilypyle@sbcglobal.net

281-772-2653

Veterinarians

VERGI Emergency Clinic

8921 Katy Freeway

Houston, Texas 77024

713-932-9589

Test Site Information

There is no inside crating at this test. Be prepared to keep your safely dog secured in your car when not being tested. 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.

Entry Requirements

The handler of the dog must be a current member of the NACSW™. The Dog must be registered with the NACSW™. 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.

Entry Fee and Second Dog Policy

\$30 per dog, per odor test. Handlers may test multiple dogs; however, there is a maximum of two dogs per odor, per handler.

Closing Date

May 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. CT

Overnight mail entries must have the signature request waived.

Refund Policy

Cancellations made on or before May 1, 2018 at 6:00 p.m. CT will be refunded. No refunds after this date. Cancellations may be made by email to emilypyle@sbcglobal.net.
ENTRY FEES shall not be refunded in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, or excused by the NACSW™ official or judge.

Video/Photography Policy

ORT participants are allowed to have a friend or family member video/photograph their test. ORT participants are not allowed to video/photograph one another. ORT hosts are not obligated to provide someone to video/photograph.

ADA Requests

If you are an individual with a disability and would like to request accommodation(s), please email ADA@nacswnet.net. Please include your name, ORT date, ORT host name, and your requested accommodation(s).

Directions to Test Site

Smart Dog Training Center
910 Curtin Street, Houston, TX 77018

Curtin Street can be hard to see from Shepherd Drive. A major stop-lighted intersection is W 43rd St / W Crosstimbers and there is a large Sears nearby that intersection. Curtin Street and Thornton Road are by the Gulf gas station, which is the easiest business to spot clearly. The training center is a large tan metal building that is gated along the front. The training center does not have a sign out front, but I will have a K9 Nose Work sign out for you to make it easy to find.

Note: We have a few toll roads in Houston, and some of them only allow payment with a Texas toll tag or Houston EZTag, so you'll get a ticket if you don't have a tag. You can get to the test *without* the toll roads. I'm listing the toll roads here so you know them and can avoid confusion and frustration.

- **Sam Houston Tollway (Beltway 8).** There are cash lanes so this is a viable option if you need or want a toll road option.
- **These have EZTag only or portions that are EZTag only so stay away!** Hardy Toll Road, Fort Bend Toll Road, Grand Parkway (99), Westpark Tollroad, and Katy Tollroad (this is a managed center lane on Interstate 1-10. I-10 is *not* a toll road).

Dog Friendly Hotels Near Test Site

The trial site is quite urban and in the middle of the city so there are numerous hotel chains to choose from. The prices and neighborhoods tend to get a little better when you drive just 15-20 minutes (30 miles) away from the test site. There is one LaQuinta 3 miles from the test site that we recommend during dog events but the availability can be spotty:

La Quinta Inn - Houston Northwest
11130 Northwest Fwy (290), Houston, TX 77092
713-680-8282

TEST Information - Notice to Exhibitors

THE TEST SITE will be open from 8:30 AM to 2:00 PM

CHECK-IN: 9:00 AM / Details regarding check in time and briefing will be sent approximately 1 week before the ORT.

HANDLER BRIEFING: 9:30 AM

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Score books are optional and are not required to participate in an ORT. They are for personal record keeping. If you have lost a scorebook or would like a replacement, you can request a replacement score book that will include all your prior NACSW results. Log in to your account at: <http://www.nacsw.net> and under the "My Account" section, go to "My Dogs" and choose the option to order a replacement score book there. The cost is \$20.

NO SPECTATORS ARE PERMITTED IN THE SEARCH AREA during the ORT except NACSW™ officials, adults accompanying a minor, CNWI-in-training, or immediate family members/friends of the dog/handler team currently being tested.

ENTRIES:

- TELEPHONE, FAX, UNSIGNED ENTRIES, AND ENTRIES RECEIVED WITHOUT FEES cannot be accepted.
- RETURNED CHECKS do not constitute a valid entry fee. A charge of \$25.00 will be made for each returned check.
- ENTRIES CAN BE MADE ONLINE AT WWW.HEADOVERTAILSTRACING.COM (PREFERRED) OR 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.

DOGS PRESENT will not be permitted to roam. Exhibitors are responsible for the behavior of their dogs. The owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready when it is to be judged. Be prepared to keep your dog in your car when not being tested or on leash at all times. There is no inside crating at this test.

FEMALES IN SEASON – Contact your test host at least 1 day before the ORT if this becomes a possibility

DOGS PARTICIPATING in 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.

Acknowledgement of entry acceptance/CONFIRMATION will be made 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.

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*

**Head Over Tails Training
NACSW™ – Odor Recognition Test Entry Form**

May 6, 2018

**Smart Dog Training Center
910 Curtin Street
Houston, Texas 77018**

\$30 per dog, per odor Registration Fee

- **If registering online, you will be sent an electronic invoice to your email and you can pay with credit or debit card from this invoice.**
- **If registering via USPS mail with this paper form, complete the form and include check or money order for the registration fee to:**

Emily Pyle
2026 Gable Hollow Lane
Katy, Texas 77450

Please complete one form per dog entering.
Questions: Contact Emily Pyle, emilypyle@sbcglobal.net

Odor: Birch Anise Clove

Test date(s): May 6, 2018

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 when registration and payment is processed. 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 Emily Pyle/Head Over Tails Training/Smart Dog Training Center, 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: _____