

Scent Work 1 - Foundations of Scent Work

This class is an introduction to the sport of AKC Scent Work. The class will introduce skills such as search drive, odor obedience, and indication. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before.

No prerequisite. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work 1.5 - Building on Scent Work Foundations

This class is a continuation of Foundations of Scent Work. Focus will be a continuation of foundation skills such as odor obedience, indication, and handling.

Prerequisite: SW1 or equivalent. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work 2 - Introduction to Scent Work Elements

This class is for students who have completed SW1 and are ready to apply those skills to learning the basic exercises of element searching. Dogs MUST be on birch odor and will be introduced to the search elements in AKC Scent Work - interiors, exteriors, buried and containers.

Prerequisite: Completion of SW1 or prior instructor approval. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work 2.5 - Building on Scent Work Elements

This class is for students who have completed SW2 and are ready to move on to multiple hides within an element search. Dogs MUST be on birch odor and will be introduced to the search elements in AKC Scent Work - interiors, exteriors, buried and containers. Students should be working towards Advanced Scent Work trial level.

Prerequisite: Completion of SW2 or prior instructor approval. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work 3 - Scent Work Excellent

This class is for students who are working towards the Excellent Scent Work trial level. Dogs MUST be on birch, anise and clove odors. This class will focus on the complexities of searching at a higher level, including working on multiple hides in a search area and expanding on leash handling skills.

Prerequisite: Completion of SW2.5 or prior instructor approval. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work 3.5 - Scent Work Excellent Problem Solving

This class is for students who are working towards the Excellent Scent Work trial level. Dogs must be on birch, anise, and clove odors. The class will focus on problem solving in high level search environments, including working on complexities like high and low hides, converging odor, and inaccessible hides.

Prerequisite: SW3, trialing at or titled at the Excellent level, or prior instructor approval. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.

Scent Work Run Thrus – LEVEL TBD

This class is for students who are currently competing in AKC Scent Work or similar level in another venue. Dogs must be on birch, anise, and clove odors. Class will consist of run-thru set ups, with multiple search areas, scent puzzles and challenges. Classes will be offered for different levels at various sessions. A handler may only sign up for one spot.

Prerequisite: SW3, trialing at or titled at the level of the class, or prior instructor approval. Priority will be given to dogs who have not taken the class before.

Scent Work Games - Enrichment Exercises for the Pet Dog (non-competitive Scent Work)

This class is open to all dogs who do not wish to compete in Scent Work but would like to play with their dogs by engaging in enrichment exercises for mental stimulation. This class will focus on fun nose work/sniff games for your dog - like the shell game, hide and seek, etc. No competitive Scent Work odor will be involved as dogs will play these games with food only. Also good for the student who may want to challenge their dog in Competitive Scent Work, but not ready for Scent Work Foundations class.

Prerequisite: Dogs must be able to work closely with instructors without issue. A handler may only sign up for one spot with one dog.