



Paws 4 Dog Trial

Variable Trial NOT NESTED

Saturday 2/17	Sunday 2/18
Intermediate and Senior	Novice, Advanced, Master

Trial Site:
Waggin Tails Dog Training Center
67 Broadway St, Westford, MA 01821

Saturday 2/17 (1 - 5 PM!!)	Sunday 2/18
2-Containers 1-Interior 1-Go The Distance 1-Heap O'Hides	2-Containers 1-Interior 1-Go The Distance 1-Heap O'Hides

Chief Search Designers:

Jen Strubinger &

Judges:

Jen Strubinger &

Entry Cost:

\$25.00 COST / \$10.00 fee for entries after the closing date

Registration Entry and Closing:

Entries will be awarded on a first-come-first-serve of entries submitted by **2/12/2024**. Contact Trial Secretary regarding acceptance of late or day of show entries.

Number of Entries:

125 Run Limit per day

Multiple dogs allowed, titling dog must be run first

For Exhibition Only entries taken | Day of Show entries allowed if there is room

**The classes are tentatively planned to run in the following order:
Interior, Go the Distance, Container 1, Container 2, Heap O'Hides**

Trial Chairperson

Barb Burri
Barb@paws4dogtrial.com

Trial Secretary

Jen Strubinger
Jen@paws4dogtrial.com

United States Canine Scent Sports

Email: info@uscaninescentsports.com Rulebook:

Important Times:

Saturday 2/17 (1 - 5 PM!!)	Sunday 2/18
1:00 Doors open 1:30 Briefing 1:45 First dog on the line	9:00 Doors open 9:30 Briefing 9:45 First dog on the line

Dogs must have valid USCSS™ registration numbers to compete in this trial. Handler may run multiple dogs, but the titling dog must be run first.

AWARDS

- Qualifying ribbons will be awarded
- 1st - 4th placement ribbons will be awarded for each Element and Game Class.
- New Title Ribbons

NOTE ABOUT COLLARS AND LEASHES

No choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are permitted during searches. Collars may have tags. Leashes of any length (including Flexis) may be used while the dog is actively participating in search, but they must be switched over to a 6' (maximum) length leash when outside of the search area.

LUNCH

We will plan a brief lunch at between levels at the Judge's discretion. We will not be offering a potluck. There are multiple places to get food within 4 miles.

VOLUNTEERS

We cannot hold our Scent Work trials without volunteers! All-day volunteers have the opportunity to run their dog first and will participate in our volunteer raffle. Please let either Jen or Barb know if you can help!

Steps for Joining USCSS™, Registering Dog and Entering this Trial:

1. All competitors must become a member of USCSS™, which is free. Competitors may join here: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup>.
2. Competitors must then register their dog(s) through the USCSS™ website. Each registration includes a one-time \$25.00 fee. Competitors may register their dogs here: <http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/login?redirectTo=http://members.uscaninescentsports.com/dog/register>
3. When logged into their account on the USCSS™ website, competitors may then scroll down to the "LOCAL EVENTS" section, find the trial they are interested in entering and click on the ENTER button. Or, enter via the "Enter This Trial" option for the trial, on the [Upcoming USCSS Events](#) page on the website.
4. Competitors may then select which dog they are entering and select which Classes and/or Games they are entering.

★ **T (Titling)** is for teams wanting to earn qualifying legs (scores) towards titles, placements/ribbons and be eligible for High in Trial awards (if all criteria are met).

★ **FLO (For Legs Only)** is for teams wanting to earn qualifying legs (scores) towards titles, but not placements/ribbons. You might choose this if you already have your title or are

running an upper level dog at a lower level and possibly allowing less experienced teams a better chance to place. **Judges MUST run FLO in any trial in which they are judging.** FLO runs are not credited towards High in Trial (HiT) awards.

★ **FEO (For Exhibition Only)** is for a team wanting to run for "practice" or for handlers running more than one dog in the same class/level. No qualifying legs (scores) are earned, and no placements/ribbons will be awarded.

5. Competitors will then receive an automated confirmation email with details regarding their entry and instructions on how to submit payment for their entry. All payments will be sent directly to the trial host, not USCSS™. The confirmation email will specify how payment will be made (e.g. via PayPal, mailed check, etc.). Competitors should note that their spot in the trial will only be held once payment is made.

THIS IS A SELF-CLEANING SHOW. PLEASE CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG!

Lodging

Hampton Inn And Suites,
Westford-Chelmsford, 9 Nixon Road,
Westford MA 01886 978-392-1555

Residence Inn, Boston – Westford 7 Lan
Drive Westford MA 01886 978-392-1407

Emergency Veterinarian

(Approximately 9 minutes from Trial Site)
Westford Veterinary Emergency and Referral.
11 Cornerstone Square, Westford, MA 01886
978-577-6525

Left on Broadway Street, right on Graniteville
Road, Left on Main st, Right on Boston Road,
pass 495, Right into Cornerstone Square,

Parking & Poo: on Saturday other businesses in the “park” are open, please respect their signs and park on the waggin tails side of the driveway.(right side) or on the left past the buildings. There is a field behind waggin tails for airing your dogs (fence is questionable). Do not put dog waste bags in dumpsters, use the buckets by the doorway of waggin tails.