

**Attachment 1 Regulation Additions/Amendments- 10<sup>th</sup> May 2023**  
**Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee**

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DNZ and Dogs NZ being re-written as **Dogs New Zealand**

1.1; 1.1(c); 1.1(d); 2.2(a); 2.2(d); 2.2(e); 3.1; 3.2.2; 3.3; 3.9; 3.12; 4.3; 4.4(x3); 4.6(x3); 4.7; 5.1.2; 5.3; 5.4.2; 5.4.2.1(x2); 5.4.3; 5.4.4; 5.4.5; 5.5.1; 5.5.2; 5.5.1.2(b)(e)(f)(g); 5.6.2.2; 5.6.3.1(c)(e)(f)(g)(h); 6.1(x2); 6.3.2; 7.4.1(x2); 7.4.2(x4); 10.2; 10.3(x3)

**2.1.3 Quorum**

**A quorum of the Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee shall be five members.**

**2.1.4 Lapse of meeting**

**If no quorum is present the meeting shall lapse, and the chairperson shall fix the time and place of the next meeting. All business on the agenda of the lapsed meeting shall be included on the agenda of the next meeting and shall take precedence over the new business.**

**3.1 Dogs New Zealand Membership**

Handlers wishing to gain Scent Work Titles and Awards must be members of Dogs New Zealand prior to participation. Qualifications obtained prior to **DNZ Dogs New Zealand** membership shall not be recognized retrospectively for the issuing of Titles and Awards.

**Non-members may enter a maximum of two days of Scent Work Trials before being required to join Dogs New Zealand.**

**3.2.1** At all times in the Immediate Search Area, the dog must be under the firm control of the handler by means of lead attached to a collar or harness. Should the handler not be able to hold the lead, a pre-approved designated person, who **may must** not be a registered entry for the Scent Work Trial, and who shall not be permitted to communicate with the registered participant for the duration of the search, may be permitted for the duration of the search to hold the lead.

**4.1 Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Regulations Apply**

Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Regulations apply to the conduct of Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Trials. In the event of a conflict between the Scent Work Regulations and Dog Obedience or Show Regulations, Scent Work Regulations shall take precedence. If a matter is not mentioned in the Scent Work Regulations, **Dogs New Zealand** Show Regulations apply.

**4.6 Harsh Handling**

Any allegation of harsh handling shall require that a complaint be laid of a breach of **Dogs New Zealand Kennel Club Rules Regulations** and shall be dealt with in accordance with those Rules, provided however that this clause shall not necessarily apply to a judge who whilst judging exercises discretionary powers to penalize or disqualify for harsh handling any dog or handler.

**4.7 Aggressive Behaviour**

Any dog that attacks or displays aggressive behaviour towards any person or another dog shall be reported to the Trails manager **disqualified and be required to be immediately removed from the grounds for the remainder of the day** dealt with according to Show Regulation 19.13 Exclusion of Dogs.

**4.8 Excess Entries**

4.10.1 Conditions of selection **are** to be specified in the Scent Work Trials Schedule, and handlers advised of entry acceptance or denial within forty-eight hours.

**5.1.2 Listing on Panels**

Only a Scent Work Judge qualified to judge the Level and Class of Trial and listed on the current Scent Work Panel may judge an official **DNZ Dogs New Zealand** Scent Work Trial where Scent Detection Certificates are awarded.

**For each class, Scent Work Judges may judge at, or any level below, that which they are on the panel for.**

## 5.4 Appointment to the Panels

### 5.4.1 General

#### 5.4.1.1 Exceptional Circumstances

Although the following procedures and conditions are a guide, they will generally be strictly applied and departed from in exceptional circumstances only with the written approval of Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee or Executive Council of Dogs New Zealand

**The following are the normal requirements for appointment to the panels. They may be deviated from only with the written approval of Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee and Dogs New Zealand Executive Council.**

#### 5.4.5 Decision Final

The decision of the Executive Council and the Dogs NZ New Zealand Scent Work Committee is final, and no correspondence will be entered into, and no reasons need be given for the Executive Council and the Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee's decision in these matters provided where an applicant at the time of application held a current appointment to a Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Judges Panel and is not reappointed to those panels, they shall have a right of appeal to the Executive Council.

#### 5.4.6 Contents of Examination

The examination paper shall be of a duration appropriate for the number of questions being asked. Each examination shall consist of 8 (eight) multi choice answer of a general knowledge nature pertaining to the Dogs New Zealand Kennel Scent Work Regulations, and 2 (two) specific questions for each Class Panel being applied for.

#### 5.6.6 First Appointment and Promotion Criteria Exemptions

Given that Dogs NZ Scent Work is a new and developing discipline, exemptions can be given, upon application to the Dogs NZ Scent Work Committee, for the requirement to undertake criteria's (a); (b) and (e), providing such application is made within twelve months of a Class and Level being formally adopted by Dogs New Zealand.

**Exemptions may be given upon application to the Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee for the requirement to undertake the criteria listed below providing such application is made within twelve months of a Class and Level being formally adopted by Dogs New Zealand.**  
**Be listed as being currently eligible to judge all previous level Scent Work Classes.**  
**Had experience in the setting up, assisting and time stewarding for a minimum of five Scent Work Trials at the Level and Class which the applicant is applying for.**  
**Carried out two Master probationary appointments in the Class applied for under two different Scent Work Judges permitted to judge at the same level or higher, involving at least twenty dogs, and have been the subject of a favourable report to the Dogs New Zealand Scent Work Committee by the Scent Work Judge who had supervised in each case.**

## 6.4 Application for Title

Application for Scent Work Titles must be made in writing to Dogs New Zealand submitting the required original Scent Detection Certificates supporting the application

7.4.1.1 All Novice Level Container Searches – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil

7.4.1.2 Novice Interior Search – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil

7.4.1.3 Novice Exterior Search – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil

7.4.1.4 Novice Vehicle Search – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil

7.4.1.5 All Advanced Level Container Searches – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil and/or Essential Lemongrass (organic) Oil

7.4.1.6 All Excellent Container Level Searches – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil and/or Essential Lemongrass (organic) Oil and/or Bergamot Oil

7.4.1.7 All Master Level Searches – Essential Cedarwood Atlas Oil and/or Essential Lemongrass (organic) Oil and/or Bergamot Oil and/or Clary-Sage Oil

### 7.7 Competitors' Briefing

The Scent Work Judge shall conduct a short participants' briefing prior to the start of each class. Such briefings are to take place in view of, but not within, the search area after hide(s) have been set. These briefings will include the Scent Work Judge providing the following information wherever applicable:

a) If there is an on-line option.

a) Number of Hides in the Search Area (if Handlers are permitted to be given this information).

b) Maximum height (where applicable) of heights hides.

c) Number of different search areas (where applicable).

d) Maximum time for the Search and whether a 30 second time remaining will be provided.

e) A reminder to call 'Alert' (in Novice) to indicate that the location of the Hide has been identified or 'Finish' upon completion of finding all the Hides in other Searches.

f) Basic review of the rules pertaining to the Class being conducted.

### 9.8 "Finis Search **Finish**

#### 9.8.1 Search Finish **Call**

#### 9.8.2 9.8.2.1 **Finish Call Requirement**

#### **9.9 Search Setup**

#### 9.9.1 Start line.

A visibly marked line will denote the start position.

**For Container and Vehicle searches the marked line, which** shall be 3.5 metres from the search area.

#### 9.9.2 Timing

Dog must find the Target Odour within **three minutes** time outlined for the Level and Class of Trial.

#### 9.9.4 Qualifying/Non-Qualifying.

Dogs shall be deemed to have qualified, providing they have found the scent within **three minutes** the time requirements for the Class being judged, and accrued no more than 3 penalty points (except in the event of disqualification).

#### 9.9.5 Not Accessible.

**The handler's dog must not be able to make physical contact with the Target Odour. The Target Odour must be placed inside a sealed medical plastic or metal container (Scent Receptacle), no greater than 50ml in size with either 5 pin-size holes or a singular 5mm hole in its top to allow scent to be released or scent odour straw. Sample should not be accessible for the dog to eat or lick.**

#### 9.9.6 Scent Target Odour Receptacles.

The Scent Receptacle Target Odour container may be magnetic or have magnets attached to it, (in the case of steel containers) or be secured to the inside of the designated container using tape or Velcro (provided this action does not obscure scent holes).

#### 9.9.7 Scent Target Odour Receptacle Placement.

All Scent Target Odour Receptacles should be placed in the desired location no less than 15 minutes before commencement of a Search trial. This applies also to any replacement samples/containers. There must be no more than one Scent Aid Target Odour Receptacle or Distraction in any single container.