

Premium List
The Newfoundland Club of New England
invites you to join us at our
NCA DRAFT TESTS

DDX • TDDX • DD • TDD • BDD



Saturday, May 1, 2021
Sunday, May 2, 2021

Camp CONNRI
Ashford, CT

Judges

Dwight Gorsuch, Rock Hall, MD (BDD, DD/TDD, DDX/TDDX)
Donna Thibault, Mansfield Center, CT (DDX/TDDX)
Terry Linehan, Amherst, NH (BDD, DD/TDD)

Minimum Entry: 5 Dogs/Teams
Maximum Entry: 12 Dogs/Teams
Saturday and Sunday: Limited to 4 DDX/TDDX entries
BDD, DD and TDD entries will fill remaining slots up to a total of 12 dogs for each day

Entries Open NCA Members: Monday, March 15, 2021 (postmark)
Entries Open general entrants: Thursday, March 25, 2021 (postmark)
Entries close at 6:00 pm on Wednesday, April 14, 2021

Permission to hold this Draft Test has been granted by the
Working Dog Committee of the Newfoundland Club of America

May 1st & 2nd at Camp CONNRI

Hosted by Newfoundland Club of New England



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Rules and Regulations

All entrants are responsible for knowing and understanding the NCA Draft Test Regulations, Revised July 2019. They may be downloaded from the NCA website at: <https://www.ncanewfs.org>

Each Entrant is responsible for providing a collar and leash. Additionally, the handler provides the dog's draft equipment (including appropriate harness, traces, and draft apparatus for site conditions) and a freight load that properly fits the draft apparatus. Equipment may be shared by two (2) or more exhibitors or by two (2) or more dogs owned by the same exhibitor; however the sharing must not interfere with the safety or the timely completion of the Draft Test.

For the **DDX/TDDX Freight Exchange** we will be using a 30lb bundle of firewood.



NCA Dog Aggression Policy

The WDC and the NCA have adopted the AKC official policy concerning dog attacks that lead to an injury, either to a person or to another dog. Also, Draft Test judges may excuse, and even ask to have removed from a test site, if necessary, any dog that appears dangerous to other dogs or persons. Actual reports of a dog attacks causing injury to either a dog or a person would go directly through the grievance process. If a judge excuses a dog for aggression that automatically creates a grievance. No fee is required when this occurs. The test committee must follow the grievance process by collecting witness statements and conducting a grievance meeting after the test. The judges must be included in the meeting. The grievance may be filed by the person injured, the person whose dog was injured, or any witness to an attack causing injury. The dog in question should be removed from the test site and cannot be entered in any subsequent NCA working events pending the completion of the grievance hearing process through the WDC, with subsequent action by the Board. Any future test in which the dog was already entered must be forfeited with the dog in question banned from the test site pending completion of the grievance process. The recommendation of the WDC will be sent to the Board following the grievance hearing, which would end the WDC jurisdiction. The Board will need to form a committee whose purpose it is to deal with the reinstatement requests after the Board has denied further exhibition privileges for any Newfoundland. (Refer to AKC Rules Applying to dog Shows: Chapter 11, Section 15)

TEST INFORMATION

Entry Fees and Policies

There is an entry fee of \$40.00 per dog or team entered. The test is limited to a total of twelve (12) entries each day, and there must be a minimum of five (5) entries to hold the test. Twelve (12) entries will be accepted for each day – Four (4) slots will be reserved for DDX/TDDX entries. If those slots are not filled, we will fill them with BDD/DD/TDD entries. Entries may be submitted electronically or by mail. Complete the NCA Draft Test Entry Form for each dog entered. **Note that a copy of the dog's AKC registration form must be included. The NCA Draft Test Entry Form must be completely filled out and the Agreement Section must be signed or the entry will be considered incomplete and returned to the applicant.** If sending by mail make checks payable to NCNE. Please use a separate check for each dog, for each day. Send entries to Dejah Petsch 148 Seckar Road, Ashford, CT 06278. If entering electronically go to <https://www.ncanewfs.org/wdc/>

If you experience any problems using the online system, please contact Dan Zimmerman at: dan@dogfishsoftware.com

Entries will be accepted by mail or NCA electronic entry and must show a postmark or electronic date between the opening and the closing date but must be received by the Test Secretary by 6 pm on the closing date. **The opening date of entries is Monday, March 15, 2021 for NCA members and Thursday, March 25, 2021 for general entrants. The closing of entries is 6pm EDT, Wednesday, April 14, 2021,** after which entries cannot be accepted, canceled or substituted. Late entries will be returned. Exhibitor numbers will be assigned by entry date. If the number of entries exceeds the limit, those dogs not yet having passed the division entered will have priority over re-qualifying dogs and alternates will be assigned. If the non-titled dogs do not fill the entry limit, re-qualifiers will be prioritized by entry date to fill the remaining slots. If there are more than 12 non-titled dogs, these dogs only will be prioritized by entry date, regardless of division entered and re-qualifying entries will be alternates. Alternates will be assigned by entry date in case an entered dog is absent on the day of the test. Dogs with a DD title that enter the Beginner division will be treated as requalifiers. **There will be no post entries. Confirmation of entries from the Draft Test Secretary will be VIA E-MAIL ONLY – be sure to include your email address on the entry form. (Arrangements may be made if E-Mail is not an option.)**

Eligibility

This test is open to purebred Newfoundland dogs (of either sex) that are at least eighteen (18) months of age on the date of the test. Other restrictions listed in the NCA Draft Test Regulations also apply.

Bitches in Season

Bitches in season will be tested after all other entrants have been judged. When not being tested, bitches in season must be contained in a designated area well away from other dogs and the official test areas. Please notify the test secretary as soon as possible if your bitch will be in season.

Spectators and Un-entered Dogs

Unfortunately due to COVID-19, spectators and un-entered dogs will not be allowed to attend.

Withdrawing Entries

To withdraw an entry, the entrant must notify the Test Secretary by telephone, email or U.S. Mail. Do this as soon as possible. The Test Secretary must confirm receipt of such notification. The entrant will receive a full refund of the entry fee if the notification is received **prior** to the closing date and time for entries. **After the closing date has passed, no refunds will be given. However, if an alternative was tested in their place a refund will be issued.** Alternates that did not get into the test will be refunded. In addition, an entrant with one dog in the test and another on the alternate list may not substitute one dog for the other. If the entrant must pull the entered dog, then the first dog on the alternate list will fill the opening.

Alternates and Refunds

If an entrant submits an entry to a Draft Test but is not assigned a place in the test, the Test Secretary must notify the entrant immediately after the closing date and give the entrant the option to be placed on the alternate list. If the entrant prefers not to be on the alternate list, he or she will receive a full refund. If the entrant chooses to stay on the alternate list and pulls their entry on a later date, before the test, they will not receive a refund.

Once the closing date and time listed in the Premium List has passed, if an entrant notifies the Test Secretary that they are withdrawing their entry or have passed at a previous test, all entrants on the alternate list must be notified that their ranks have changed. If a space does not become available for an alternate on the day of the test, the alternate will receive a full refund. In the event that a slot does open up and the alternate who would have moved into that slot is not present by the closing of the Test Registration time slot, the next alternate on the list will move into the open slot. Should this happen, the alternate who was not present will not receive a refund. In other words, if an alternate remains on the list for a test slot, but does not show up to test on the day of the test and an opening occurs, the alternate will not get a refund.

Catalogue Advertising

An ad in the draft test catalog is a great way to advertise your kennel, brag about a new title, show off your dog or send special wishes to the entrants. All ads must be “camera ready” – if you would like assistance putting an ad together please let us know. The catalog is the 5.5”x8.5” vertical format. Please make checks payable to NCNE and send/email ads to: Kikuko Chang, 43 Gilson Road, Littleton, MA 01460 or snowhavennewf@gmail.com. The deadline is April 16th, 2021. The rate for advertising is Full Page - \$10

Veterinarian

Bolton Veterinary Hospital
222 Boston Turnpike, Bolton, CT 06043
(860) 646-6134

The Test Site

Camp CONNRI is located in a small, quiet town (Ashford, CT) easily accessible from Connecticut Interstate-84. It is on 272 acres of rolling hills with a 50-acre lake. It has two beaches, grassy fields, basketball courts and a baseball field, a hiking trail, and overnight cottages with a conference center. A bathroom facility and a pavilion are at the open field along the lake where a maneuvering course will be set up. There is space to put dog crates under a covered area just outside the bathroom facility and also under trees. The parking is near the bathroom facility and the pavilion, but without shade during the day. The surfaces for freight hauls are paved or packed dirt with some gravel roads and grass fields.

NCNE has access to the site on Friday April 30th late afternoon. The Test Secretary will notify all entrants what time the site will be opened for entrants to set up on Friday.

Directions to the Site

From the East –

Take Rt. 84 East to Exit 69 and make a right turn at the end of the ramp onto Rt. 74 for approx. 8 miles and Camp CONNRI is on the right.

From the West –

Take Rt. 84 West to Exit 69 and make a left turn at the end of the ramp onto Rt. 74. Follow Rt. 74 for approx. 8 miles and Camp CONNRI is on the right.



Accommodations

Country Lodge at the Public House

277 Main Street • Sturbridge, MA 01566 508-347-3313 • 800-PUBLICCK

Ask for the block of rooms for the Newfoundland Club of New England. \$99/night + 11.7% tax per night. \$25 pet fee per room for up to two dogs for the weekend.

Meals

Due to COVID no breakfast and lunch will be provided. Please bring your own drinks and food.

Schedule Saturday and Sunday

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| 7:30 am – 8:00 am | DDX Course Familiarization |
| 8:00 am – 8:30 am | Exhibitor Check-in & Stewards' Meeting – Alternates Assigned |
| 8:30 am – 9:00 am | Judges Q&A Meeting with Entrants |
| 9:00 am | Judging Begins – DDX/TDDX |
| After DDX/TDDX Judging | Judging Begins – BDD Basic Control Harnessing, Hitching & Equipment Check Maneuvering Course 1 Minute Stay Freight Load Distance Freight Haul |
| After BDD Judging | Judging Begins – DD/TDD Basic Control Harnessing, Hitching & Equipment Check Maneuvering Course 3 Minute Out-of-Sight Stay Freight Load Distance Freight Haul |
| At Judges Discretion | Lunch |
| Conclusion of Test | Awards Presentation |

NCA DRAFT TEST ENTRY FORM

NCA Draft Test hosted by the Newfoundland Club of New England at Camp CONNRI, Ashford, CT on May 1 & 2, 2021. Entries open (earliest entry date) on March 15th for NCA members and on March 25th for general entrants. Entries close at 6 pm on April 14th, 2021. Entries dated before March 15th for NCA members will be returned. Entries dated before March 25th for general applicants will be returned. To enter electronically go to <https://www.ncanewfs.org/wdc/> To enter by mail, send entries with \$40.00 entry fee, payable to NCNE, to Dejah Petsch, Draft Test Secretary, 148 Seckar Road, Ashford, CT 06278. Please print legibly. Information on this form will be used for record keeping and to generate a certificate of qualifications should the dog and handler pass.

| | BDD Entry | BDD Requal | DD Entry | TDD Entry | DD Requal | TDD Requal | DDX Entry | TDDX Entry | DDX Requal | TDDX Requal |
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| Saturday, May 1st | | | | | | | | | | |
| Sunday, May 2nd | | | | | | | | | | |

Owner's Name(s) _____ NCA Member: Y N

Address _____ State _____ Zip _____

Full Name of Dog _____

AKC# _____ Date of Birth ___/___/___ Sex _____

Sire _____

Dam _____

Breeder(s) _____

Call Name _____ Handler's Name _____

Handler's Email _____ Handler's Phone Number _____

REQUIRED: ATTACH A CURRENT COPY OF DOG'S AKC REGISTRATION CERTIFICATE.

**Entry Form Must Be Signed To Be A Valid Entry

**I understand that I enter my dog in this NCA Working Test at my own risk.

I have read the Test Regulations and understand them. I agree to abide by the Test Regulations, the NCA Constitution and By-Laws and further agree to be bound by the Entry Agreement included in the premium for this test.

Signature: _____ Date: _____
(Signature of Owner/Agent duly authorized to make this entry)

Day Phone: () _____ Home Phone: () _____

Email: _____ NCA Member: YES _____ NO _____

NCA WORKING EVENT AGREEMENT

I (we) acknowledge that the NCA test regulations have been made available to me (us) and that I am (we are) familiar with their contents. I (we) agree that I (we) will uphold the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics, and (if applicable) the NCA Judges Code of Ethics. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry and of the holding of this event and of the opportunity to have the dog judged and to win ribbons or trophies, I (we) agree to hold this club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, or test secretary and the owner or lessor of the premises or grounds and the employees of the aforementioned parties, harmless from any claim for loss or injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the test premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim or loss of the dog by disappearance, theft, damage or injury, be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the club or any of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person or any other causes. I (we) agree that any violation of the AKC Code of Sportsmanship, the NCA Code of Ethics and/or the Judges Code of Ethics will be handled pursuant to the Grievance policies listed on the NCA website. I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death at any time, resulting therefrom, sustained by any person or persons, include myself (ourselves) or on account of damage to property, or my vehicle arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this test, howsoever such injuries, death or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents, or other persons.

I agree to grant to this club, and its authorized representatives permission to record on photography film and/or video, pictures of my participation. I further agree that any or all of the material photographed may be used, in any form, as part of any future publications, brochure, or other printed materials used to promote NCA or the regional club, and further that such use shall be without payment of fees, royalties, special credit or other compensation.

The Newfoundland Club of America, this regional club, its members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents, test committee, reserves the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked car or crate, and all persons attending this dog event hereby waive any claim for damages against the club for such removal. I understand that exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress, or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

****Attention** COVID-guidelines for 2021 NCNE Draft Tests**

Every participant following the guidelines makes our tests safe and successful. The guidelines are subject to change based on federal and Connecticut state guidelines. After the closing date, all participants will be notified for any update by email. Please read carefully and if you have any questions, don't hesitate to contact Kikuko Chang, the Test Chair, at (978) 413-4671 or snowhavennewf@gmail.com

General guidelines as of February 15, 2021:

- No spectators and un-entered dogs are allowed to participate.
- Upon your arrival, allow one of the test committee members to take your temperature.
- Face mask required for handlers while taking the test as well as when less than six-foot distance is unavoidable.
- Entrants are required to print out and sign the test record form(s) (the secretary will email prior to tests) and bring it to the secretary desk on the day of the tests. Each test requires a separate form to be signed.
- NCNE will provide hand sanitizers at multiple locations, but bring your own, too.
- Limit socializing between yourselves and dogs.
- No drinks or food provided by the club, so please bring your own.
- Pop-up tents are allowed to be set up outside the test area. However, please keep at least 6-ft distance from each other. Wearing masks is highly encouraged under your own tent even when you are 6-ft apart.

At the secretary's desk:

- Masks are required.
- Keep a 6-ft distance between you and others even when wearing masks.
- Bring your signed test record form(s) (the secretary will email you approx. one week before the tests) and put in the designated box at the desk.
- When you need to use a pen or anything at the desk, please use hand sanitizer before and after. Or bring your own pen.

Please be patient when you need any assistance from the secretary or test committee members.