ENTRY METHOD: FIRST RECEIVED

ENTRIES WILL OPEN ON July 24, 2026 at 11:00 AM (Eastern Daylight Time – EDT) at the Trial Secretary's address. All entries received before this date will be returned. Overnight or certified mail must be sent with the "No Signature Required" waiver signed. **ENTRIES CLOSE ON September 9, 2026 at 10:00am EDT** after which time entries cannot be accepted, cancelled, altered, or substituted except as provided for in Chapter 11, Section 6 of the Rules Applying to Dog Shows. Envelopes/transactions containing entries for more than the ten (10) dog maximum and/or entries received prior to the opening date shall be treated as an invalid entry and shall be returned to the sender.

PREMIUM LIST

AKC SCENT WORK
American Kennel Club

Saccarappa Obedience Club, Inc.
Licensed by the American Kennel Club
18th Scent Work trial

Novice, Advanced, Excellent, & Master - Container, Buried, Interior, & Exterior

Saturday, September 19th 2026 - Event # 2026003804

Saccarappa Elementary School
110 Huntress Avenue, Westbrook, ME 04092

ENTRY LIMITS

300 Total Runs

To be held Indoors & Outdoors

Trial Hours:

Saturday, September 19th from 7:30am – 6:00pm
Check Judging Program for Check In & Handler Briefing times

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB

CERTIFICATION

Permission is granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under American Kennel Club rules and regulations.

Gina DiNardo,
Secretary

OFFICERS OF THE Saccarappa Obedience Club

President ..... Barbara Belicose
Secretary..... Dana Whitmore
Treasurer..... Melissa MacWilliams

DELEGATE TO THE AKC: Jamie Soucie

Trial Chairperson	Trial Secretary
Brandy Rink	Kathy Hall
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Woolwich, ME 04579	Minot, ME 04258
Bitsy48@gmail.com	socscentworkdog@gmail.com
207-751-3695	207-227-7131

EVENT COMMITTEE

Brandy Rink, Kathy Hall, Debbie Mazjanis, Patricia Aube, Lois Hoyt, Barbara Belicose, JoAnne Hayes, Cindy Lester, Toni Ferger, Brittney Coleman, Jamie Soucie

JUDGES AND ASSIGNMENTS

Liz Lynch - 102405 Worchester, MA **Container** Novice A&B, Advanced, Excellent, & Masters	**Holly Roche - 102513** Rollingsford, NH **Exteriors** Novice A&B, Advanced, Excellent, & Masters
Rosemary Decie - 99967 Newburyport, MA **Buried** Novice A&B, Advanced, Excellent, & Masters	**Andrea MacRitchie - 107960** Boyleston, MA **Interior** Novice A&B, Advanced, Excellent, & Masters

VETERINARIAN ON CALL

Portland Veterinary Emergency and Specialty Care
739 Warren Ave, Portland, ME 04103; 207-878-3121
Please use GPS for best directions. (12 minutes/6.8 miles)

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/ Ambulance/Police- Cumberland County: **911**

LOCAL HOSPITAL

Maine Medical Center, 22 Bramhall St, Portland, ME (7 mi)

CLASSES OFFERED & JUDGING TIMES

Saturday, September 19, 2026			
Container	**Buried**	**Exterior**	**Interior**
Novice A&B Advanced Excellent Master	Novice A&B Advanced Excellent Master	Novice A&B Advanced Excellent Master	Novice A&B Advanced Excellent Master

DOG ELIGIBLE TO ENTER

This trial is open to all dogs SIX (6) months of age or older that are registered with the American Kennel Club or that have AKC Limited Registration, Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP), an AKC Canine Partners listing number or approved Foundation Stock Service (FSS) breeds are eligible to participate. Dogs with a Purebred Alternative Listing/Indefinite Listing Privileges (PAL/ILP) or an AKC Canine Partners listing number must be spayed or neutered in order to compete.

Condition of the Dog. Dogs with physical challenges (including amputees) are eligible to participate provided that, in the opinion of the judge, they display no signs of physical discomfort and can safely complete the search. Dogs with bandages, sutures, or visible wounds are not eligible. Deaf dogs and blind dogs are allowed to enter. Dogs that are both deaf and blind are able to participate so long as the handler is in control of the dog at all times, the dog can complete the requirements of the class, and the dog does not appear to be under undue stress in the opinion of the judge.

ENTRY FEES

Each entry …….…… $30

An entry is defined as a single run by a single dog, in a single class.

Entry fees above include a $4.50 per run AKC recording fee.

Mail entry forms and fees to:

Kathy Hall
c/o SOC SW trial
17 Orchard Ln
Minot ME 04258

Please make checks payable to: **SOC (Saccarappa Obedience Club)**

No entries will be accepted by phone, email, fax, or hand delivery. Express mail entries must include the signature waiver allowing them to be left at the secretary's address. Inquiries may be directed to Kathy Hall. No entry shall be made, and no entry shall be accepted which specifies any conditions as to its acceptance. **Illegible entries** will not be processed and will be returned to the exhibitor. It is the responsibility of the exhibitor to ensure review of confirmation detail and alert secretary to any corrections needed prior to the closure date. Returned checks do not constitute a valid entry and the Trial Secretary will add a $30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

WAIT LIST INFORMATION

Saccarappa Obedience Club is offering a wait list to fill openings created by withdrawn entries after the trial's closing date/time. A maximum of **5 entries per day** will be placed on the club's wait list. All entries, including wait listed entries, must be received by the Trial Secretary prior to September 9, 2026 by 10:00am. No entries may be withdrawn with a refund after closing on September 9, 2026 by 10:00am. If a withdrawn entry is replaced by a wait listed entry, a full refund will be issued for the withdrawn entry. Any wait listed entry that does not move off the wait list into the trial will receive a full refund. **All move-up requests must be submitted by closing date September 9, 2026 at 10:00am.**

STAGING AREA, HANDLER'S BRIEFING, AND WARM-UP INFORMATION

Staging Area will be out of view of search area(s). Staging area will include crating, warm-up and waiting area, as well as the secretary table for check-ins and posting of running order and results.

The **Handler's Briefing** will take place in view of the search area prior to the start of each class, after the hide(s) have been set and after the Demo Dog has run. In the Handler's Briefing the judge will explain if there's an off-leash option, number of hides, maximum height of hides and maximum time for the search. NO DOGS are to be present during the Handler's Briefing.

The club shall designate a warm-up area. One labelled container per target odor being used in the trial on that day will be placed in the warm-up area. This will allow handler-dog teams to prepare themselves for the search prior to their run. Each team should limit their warm-up to two minutes or less so that others may be able to use the warm-up area as well. Clubs may also place blank containers.

SEARCH AREA AND RING CONDITIONS

Search areas may be of any shape, and of the size specified in the Regulations for each class. Search Area Conditions. Searches may be indoors, on matted, carpeted, or tiled surfaces, or outdoors on grass, gravel, earth, mulched, concrete, or asphalt surfaces.

Search Area Sizes will be in accordance with regulations for AKC Scent Work.

ADDITIONAL SITE INFORMATION

Trial Site. It is not appropriate to scout the trial location prior to the trial date. Many search locations are real-life environments and such visits may risk the host losing the opportunity to use the location in the future.

Possession of Odors and Training. Chapter 5. Section 35 of the Scent Work Regulations state "No person other than those engaged in the administration of a trial shall be in possession of any target odor when on the trial grounds. There shall be no training on the grounds of the AKC Scent Work trial, other than the designated warm-up area".

Spectator Area. Spectators are encouraged. Any person not handling a dog in the current class, or any person who has already completed their run in the class may choose to watch the search from the spectator area. Handlers may not watch other exhibitors from their class prior to their run except in the case of Handler Discrimination classes. No one outside the search area may assist the handler or disclose the location of the hide.

Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without benefit of refund if the Event Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement. Cleaning supplies and disposal sites will be available at various locations around the show grounds.

RIBBONS, AWARDS, AND PRIZES

Placement ribbons will be awarded in each class as follows:

First Place……Blue
Second Place……Red
Third Place……Yellow
Fourth Place……White
Qualifying Score……Dark Green

A **Title Rosette** will be offered for competitors finishing a new title at the show.

HIGH IN TRIAL: Only teams who participate in the same difficulty level in all elements offered and qualify in each are eligible to win High in Trial. One High in Trial winner will be chosen per difficulty level; there will be a High in Trial for each the Novice A and Novice B sections. The High in Trial is calculated including the team's qualifiers & faults across the elements. If there is a tie based on faults, then the team's times across the elements will be summed and the faster-finishing team will win. The High in Trial award is not recorded by the AKC. Teams winning High in Trial will earn a **special Rosette.**

All exhibitors should obtain a copy of the Regulations for Scent Work, by downloading them here: http://images.akc.org/pdf/rulebooks/RSW001.pdf

NOTICE TO EXHIBITORS

SAFETY, BEHAVIOR and LIABILITY

The safety of the dog is our primary concern. By entering this trial, exhibitors acknowledge that they are familiar with the rules and regulations of this sport, and that their dogs are familiar with and able to perform all searches safely.

It is expressly understood that exhibitors alone are responsible for the behavior of their dogs and/or children. Any exhibitor whose dogs and/or children create an unnecessary disturbance or repeatedly engage in unsafe or disruptive behavior may, at the discretion of the trial committee, be asked to leave the show site. In such case, no refund of any fees paid will be made. The Saccarappa Obedience Club and its agents, employees, etc., will assume no responsibilities for any loss, damage or injury

sustained by exhibitors or handlers, or to any of their dogs or property and further assumes no responsibility for injury to children. The Saccarappa Obedience Club reserves the right to decline entries for cause and may remove any dog on account of aggression. No one shall have any recourse or claim against the Saccarappa Obedience Club or any official thereof.

Collars, Leashes and Harnesses. During searches, dogs must wear a properly fitted collar or harness approved by the judge. A wearable camera such as a Go Pro may be mounted to the dog's harness, if desired. Leashes may be of any length and/or retractable. The leash should be made of plain, pliable material.

All dogs must be on leash at all times, and retractable leashes may not be used when on trial grounds (except during judged searches). Dogs must enter and exit the search area with the leash attached to the collar or harness, including when waiting in the search area before and after the search. An off-leash option may be offered at the discretion of the judge, only if the area is completely enclosed.

REFUNDS

No entry fee will be refunded if the trial cannot open or be completed by reason of riots, civil disturbances, fire, an act of God, public emergency, act of a public enemy, or any other cause beyond the control of the organizing committee. No entry fee will be refunded in the event a dog is absent, disqualified, excused, or barred from competition by the action of the Trial Committee. Dogs pulled after closing because of injury or other medical condition are not eligible for a refund.

Bitches in season will be refunded the full entry fee. Notification in writing must be given to the trial secretary no later than one half hour prior to the start of the first class of the day of the trial.

RINGSIDE

Judges are not required to wait for dogs. The Owner of each dog is solely responsible for having it ready at the search area when it is to be judged. The Club has no responsibility to provide service through a public address system or stewards or runners for the purpose of calling or locating dogs that are not brought into the ring when required.

EXHIBITOR CHECK-IN: At check-in you will receive your armband number. Once the time and location for check-in is determined all exhibitors will be notified by email.

Claims will be arbitrated as set forth on the Official AKC Entry Form for this event.

Exhibitors should follow their veterinarian's recommendation to assure their dogs are free of internal and external parasites, any communicable diseases, and have appropriate vaccinations. State health requirements for proof of rabies vaccination must be provided upon request.

ADDITIONAL HOTEL INFORMATION

Fireside Inn (exit 48) 81 Riverside St Portland, ME 04103 207-774-5601	Hampton Inn & Suites 1210 Brighton Ave Portland, ME 04102 207-613-3420	Doubletree Hilton 363 Maine Mall Rd Portland, ME 04106 207-775-6161

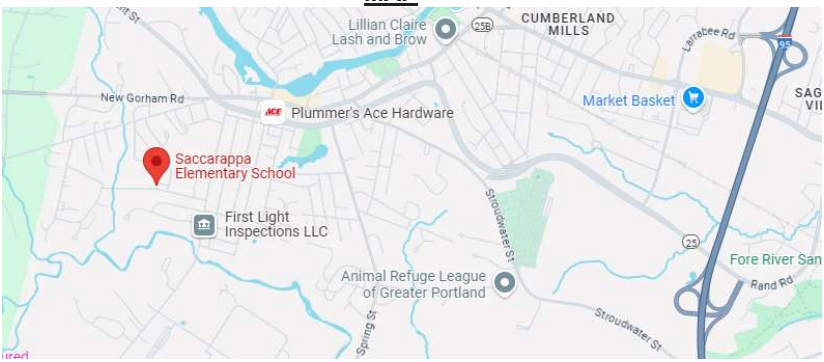
DIRECTIONS TO THE TRIAL SITE

Saccarappa Elementary School is located at 110 Huntress Avenue, Westbrook, Maine 04092 – Please use this address with GPS.

Directions from the North: Take I-95 to Exit 47 Westbrook. Turn left onto ME-25 W/Westbrook Arterial. Continue to follow ME-25 W for 2.6 miles. Turn left onto Saco Street. Proceed for 0.4 miles. Turn Right onto Bernadette St and proceed for 0.2 miles. Saccarappa Elementary school is on the corner of Bernadette and Huntress Avenue.

Directions from the South: Take I-95 to Exit 47 Westbrook and then follow above instructions.

MAP



AKC Official Entry Form

AKC SCENT WORK
American Kennel Club

MAIL Entries To:
Kathy Hall, 17 Orchard Ln,
Minot, ME 04258

Container	Exterior	Interior	Buried
☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B	☐ Novice A ☐ Novice B
☐ Advanced	☐ Advanced	☐ Advanced	☐ Advanced
☐ Excellent	☐ Excellent	☐ Excellent	☐ Excellent
☐ Master	☐ Master	☐ Master	☐ Master

All move-up requests must be submitted by closing date September 9, 2026 at 10:00am.

Entry fees: $30 per class ***(this fee Includes a $4.50 AKC recording fee)***

Make checks payable to SOC (Saccarappa Obedience Club)

# of classes entered: _____ ***X $30 =***

$ _____

Total due

Trial Secretary will add a $30.00 collection fee to the amount of each returned check.

PLEASE PRINT ALL INFORMATION LEGIBLY TO AVOID ERRORS

AKC Registered Name			Registration Number ☐ AKC/PAL/ILP/CP ☐ Foreign
Call name	Date of birth	Sex	
Breed		Variety	
Breeder			
Sire			
Dam			
Owner			
Owner's Address			
City	State	Zip	
Telephone	Email		
Handler name (if different from owner):		Junior Handler # (if applicable):	

Be sure to read the Agreement and sign on the reverse. No form will be processed without your signature!

C Rules, Regulations, Policies and Guidelines are available on the American Kennel Club Web site, www.akc.org

AGREEMENT

I certify that I am the actual owner of the dog, or that I am the duly authorized agent of the actual owner whose name I have entered. In consideration of the acceptance of this entry, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of The American Kennel Club in effect at the time of this event, and any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list of this event and entry form and any decision made in accord with them. I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. 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 prizes, ribbons, or trophies, I (we) agree to hold the AKC, the event-giving club, their members, directors, governors, officers, agents, superintendents or event secretary and the owner and/or lessor of the premises and any provider of services that are necessary to hold this event and any employees or volunteers of the aforementioned parties, and any AKC approved judge, judging at this event, 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 about the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim; and I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim of loss, injury or damage to this dog.

Additionally, I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify, defend 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, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property, arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, however such, injuries death or property damage may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may be alleged to have been caused by the negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees, agents, or any other person. I (we) agree that the determination of whether the injury is serious shall be made by the event veterinarian and is binding on me (us). I (WE) AGREE THAT ANY CAUSE OF ACTION, CONTROVERSY OR CLAIM ARISING OUT OF OR RELATED TO THE ENTRY, EXHIBITION OR ATTENDANCE AT THE EVENT BETWEEN THE AKC AND THE EVENT-GIVING CLUB (UNLESS OTHERWISE STATED IN THIS PREMIUM LIST) AND MYSELF (OURSELVES) OR AS TO THE CONSTRUCTION, INTERPRETATION AND EFFECT OF THIS AGREEMENT SHALL BE SETTLED BY ARBITRATION PURSUANT TO THE APPLICABLE RULES OF THE AMERICAN ARBITRATION ASSOCIATION. HOWEVER, PRIOR TO ARBITRATION ALL APPLICABLE AKC BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, AND PROCEDURES MUST FIRST BE FOLLOWED AS SET FORTH IN THE AKC CHARTER AND BYLAWS, RULES, REGULATIONS, PUBLISHED POLICIES AND GUIDELINES.

INSTRUCTIONS

Novice A classes are offered to dogs who have not completed any title for that particular element, who have not completed a comparable title with another organization and whose handler are neither Scent Work judges, nor have ever worked as professional detective dog handler. Novice B classes are open for all dogs. Dogs must have prior title to compete in upper level classes and may not compete in more than 2 classes (e.g. Novice B/Excellent)

SIGNATURE of owner or his agent duly authorized to make this entry.

SIGN HERE

X:_____

Phone #: _____

Email: _____

In case of Emergency – Name: _____ Phone #: _____