

The New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club
Invites You To Take Part In the
2026 Draft Tests

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DD & TDD
DDX & TDDX,

November 7 & 8, 2026

Brubaker Park
Brubaker Lane, Brecknock
Township East Earl, PA 17519

Judges

Bethany Karger and Terry Linehan

Permission to hold these NCA Draft Tests has been granted by the Working Dog Committee of the Newfoundland Club of America in accordance with the Draft Test Regulations revised October 2025, Effective November 1, 2025



NCA members can submit entries online at <https://workingentry.ncadogs.org/> or by mail with a clear postmark. Foreign entries require proof of mailing date. Entry dates are as follows:

- NCA members opens September 24, 2026 (online entry starts at 9:00 am)
- Non-NCA members opens October 4, 2026

Entries will not be accepted if postmarked prior to the above dates.

Entries will close on October 27, 2026, at 11:59 pm EST.

Entries received after that date cannot be accepted, canceled, substituted, or altered.

Minimum number of entries is 5 and maximum number of entries is 15.

The Club reserves the right to cancel any test that does not reach the minimum entry limit.

There is no scheduled formal practice prior to the test. This test is being held at a public park which does allow dogs on lead. Entrants are allowed to take advantage of the park facilities and trails during regular park hours.

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Directions to the Site

Brubaker Park is located in Brecknock Township, Lancaster County, PA.
Brubaker Lane, East Earl, PA 17519

From Northern New Jersey:

Go west on I-78 to exit 54A US 222 South to PA 272 Adamstown/Knauers exit. Turn right onto PA 272 South. Go 2.3 miles to the second traffic light. Turn left onto Route 897 South. Continue on Route 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville, continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Goods Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane. Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

From Central New Jersey:

Take the NJ Turnpike to the PA Turnpike. Go west on the PA Turnpike to the Reading Exit 286. Go .8 miles on Spur Rd/Col. Howard Blvd. Go to the third traffic light and make a right onto North Reading Rd. / PA 272. Go 1.2 miles at traffic light make a right onto 897 South. Continue on 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Good's Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane. Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

From Southern New Jersey:

Take route 42 North to I-76 West to the PA Turnpike. Go west on the PA Turnpike to the Reading Exit 286. Go .8 miles on Spur Rd/Col. Howard Blvd. Go to the third traffic light and make a right onto North Reading Rd. / PA 272. Go 1.2 miles at traffic light and take a right onto 897 South. Continue on 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville, continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Goods Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane. Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

From Delaware and South:

Take SR-1 North to Exit 165B. Merge onto I-95 North towards I-295/Wilmington/Philadelphia. Take exit 8 US 202 North towards West Chester. Take US 100 North to the PA Turnpike. Go west on the PA Turnpike to Exit 286 Reading. Go .8 miles on Spur Rd/Col. Howard Blvd. Go to the third traffic light and make a right onto North Reading Rd. / PA 272. Go 1.2 miles at traffic light and take a right onto 897 South. Continue on 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Goods Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane. Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

From Northern PA:

I-476 South to Exit 56. Take US 22 West to I-78 West to PA 100 South to US 222 South. Follow 222 South to PA 272 Adamstown/Knauers Exit. Turn right onto PA 272 South. Go 2.3 miles to the second traffic light. Turn left onto Route 897 South. Continue on Route 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville, continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Goods Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane. Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

From Western PA:

Go East on the PA Turnpike to Exit 286 Reading. Go .8 miles on Spur Rd/Col. Howard Blvd. Go to the third traffic light and make a right onto North Reading Rd. / PA 272. Go 1.2 miles at traffic light and take a right onto 897 South. Continue on 897S for 4.7 miles (straight thru 1 stop sign in Fivepointville, continue past Weavers Dry Goods (on your right). Immediately past Goods Feed Mill (on your right) make a left onto Long Lane Entrance to Park ahead on the left.

Emergency Veterinarian

Berks Animal Emergency & Referral Center (19 minutes away)

400 West Lancaster Ave.

Shillington, PA

19607

610 – 775 - 7535

PETS Emergency Treatment & Specialists(30 minutes away)

930 N Queen St.

Lancaster, PA 17603

717-295-7387

These are 24/7 facilities

EMERGENCY SERVICES

Fire/Police/Ambulance 911

Accommodations

A block of rooms has been reserved at the **Comfort Inn of Lancaster County North 1 Denver Rd, exit 286 PA Turnpike, Denver, PA 17517, (717) 336-7541. (11 minutes from the test site)** The Room Rate is \$114 for two double beds per room (plus \$15/dog) for Friday, 11/6 & Saturday, 11/7, \$99 plus \$15 /dog for Sunday, 11/8.

Ask for the “New Pen Del Newfoundland Club” reserved rooms when making your reservations. The block will expire at the beginning of the day on October 6, 2026 at which time rooms will be placed back into inventory. Clients may still book rooms under the block after the cutoff date if there are still rooms available to sell.

Red Roof Inn – 2017 N. Reading Rd, Denver, PA 1-937-328-1744, (12 minutes from the test site) Please call for current rates. This hotel allows up to 2 dogs/room , no charge for first dog, second dog \$15

Campgrounds : Adventure Bound Oak Creek Campground – 400 E Maple Grove Rd, Narvon, PA 17555 phone: 717- 445-6161 Have 2 cabins which allow dogs, RV sites

Dutch Cousin Campground , 446 Hill Rd , Denver , PA 17517 717-336-6911 Cabins & RV sites

Meals

There are no food concessions in the park. A complimentary continental breakfast will be available in the morning. A boxed lunch for Saturday (Sub, Chips, Cookie, Fruit & Drink) will be available for \$10.00 by pre- order. For Sunday pizza, desserts & beverages will also be available for \$10.00 by pre-order. Kindly fill out the form below and return it by October 27, 2026.

Test Dinner Saturday evening at Zia Maria, 2350 N Reading Rd., Denver, Pennsylvania 17517

Phone: 717-336-1333

Dinner at 7:00 pm.

Enjoy dinner with Newfie friends, entrants, committee & spectators. All are welcome!

Directions from test site:

Head southwest on Brubaker Ln toward Long Ln 0.2 mi

Turn right onto Long Ln 0.3 mi

Turn right onto PA-897 / Broad St 4.7 mi

Turn left onto PA-272 / N Reading Rd 0.7 mi

Arrive at PA-272 / N Reading Rd on the right

We will order dinner selections individually from the menu. Price is determined by selection.

Please contact Pat Matthews at epmatthews@comcast.net or text 732-742-03775 with the number attending Saturday night dinner so reservations can be made.



Animals in Distress

The Newfoundland Club of America, Inc, and the regional club hosting this event reserve the right to remove any animal in distress from a parked vehicle or crate, and all people attending this dog event hereby waive any claim for damages against the Club for such removal. The NCA regards the health, safety, and life of any dog on the event grounds to be paramount to other property or privacy rights. If the owner cannot be found in a timely manner, we will take whatever action is necessary for the safety of the dog, which may include breaking windows to enter a vehicle. Dogs found in an unsafe environment, distress, or in harm's way (for example, left in a vehicle without proper ventilation) will be removed to safety. Exposing a dog to an unsafe environment, distress, or harm's way is considered mistreatment and subject to appropriate discipline.

Out of Control Dog Policy This policy was approved by the NCA Board of Directors on November 11th, 2023. *At all NCA Events dogs must be kept under control to prevent harm to themselves or others. It is the owner/handler's responsibility to ensure their dogs are under control for the duration of the event.*

At NCA events dogs must be crated or leashed and collared at all times, except when the dogs are required to perform off leash. When dogs are leashed, the length of the leash must not exceed SIX (6) feet, and the leash may NOT be a retractable leash. Dogs should not be allowed to approach another dog without permission from the other dog's owner/handler. Any dog that, in the opinion of the Judges, event committee or designated safety officer representing the event, appears dangerous, shall be asked to leave the event promptly or be crated for the duration of the event and is excused from further participation in the event. Anyone who witnesses a dog appearing to be dangerous should bring their concerns to the Judges, event committee, or safety officer. Part of upholding good sportsmanship is to take action through the appropriate channels. Examples of out-of-control behavior would include but are not limited to :Aggressive vocalization such as barking and growling, or aggressive behavior toward any person or animal such as snapping, biting, lunging, charging, attacking, or attempting to attack at any time while on the test grounds. Owners and handlers are responsible for monitoring the well-being and safety of their dog(s). If left unattended the owner/handler must check on them frequently to ensure they are safe.

If the dog is excused from the test grounds for aggression, the automatic grievance policy of the NCA is enacted. If an injury to dog or person occurs, the AKC Rules Applying to Dog Shows Ch 11, section 15 goes into effect. (References, chapter 2, section 14 in both water and draft regulations)

General Information

Entry Fees and Policies: The entry fee is \$50.00 per dog. Complete the enclosed NCA Draft Test Entry Form for each dog entered. Note that a copy of the dog's AKC registration form must be included. The agreement must accompany the entry form. Make checks payable to the New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club. **Entries will be accepted by USPS mail or online. If entering by mail, send entries to: Pat Matthews, 16 Hillside Ave., Jamesburg, NJ 08831.** A lottery will be used to determine the entrants if the limit is exceeded by entries postmarked on the same day. An alternate list will be maintained by order of the postmarked date and a lottery used for postmarks that are the same 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.

Eligibility: This test is open only to purebred Newfoundland dogs of either sex that are at least 18 months of age on the date of the test. Dogs that have not previously passed a Division, Single or Team, have priority in acceptance in that division. Dogs that have passed may be entered for judging (re-qualification) if the entry limits have not been filled. Owners of dogs that pass the Single Division after the closing date but prior to the test may choose to change their entry to Team Division. Bitches in season will be tested after all other entrants have been judged each day. Other restrictions listed in the Current NCA Draft Test Regulations also apply.

Regulations: All entrants are responsible for knowing and understanding the current NCA Draft Test Regulations. These may be downloaded from the NCA web site: <http://www.ncanewfs.org/>

Test Site

Brubaker Park is located on 90.2 acres; consisting of walking trails through wooded areas, wetlands, two streams stocked with hundreds of rainbow trout, and three ponds. The park amenities include playground areas, baseball diamonds, roller hockey rinks, soccer fields, archery ranges, and tennis & volleyball courts with lots of open space. There will be no formal practice. Brubaker Park is open to the public during daylight hours.

The surface for the test will be in a grassy area with natural obstacles. The distance freight haul course will include a short gravel path. Surfaces will include dirt, gravel, leaves, and grass. There will be short inclines and declines on the course. Parts of the course may be alongside a pond, creek, and playground area. Basic Control will be tested on a level, grassy area.

The maneuvering course as well as harnessing and hitching equipment will be located in a grassy area. The maneuvering area will utilize the spaced trees and natural and man-made obstacles to delineate the course.

Equipment

Each exhibitor is responsible for providing his or her own draft test equipment suitable for the site. For the DDX freight exchange we will be using (1) case of Enviro-log containing (6) 5 lb. fire logs (weight is 30 lbs., the dimensions of the case are 8.5 inches high by 12.25 inches wide by 12 inches deep).



The DDX drag away article is a 4x4x6 ft. piece of lumber with two eye bolts to hitch to.

Bitches in Season

Bitches in season will be allowed to compete after all the other entries. They should be crates in a designated area away from the official test area.

Each exhibitor is responsible for knowledge of the latest NCA Draft Test Rules and Regulations governing a Draft Test. Regulations may be found online at <https://www.ncanewfs.org>. This Draft Test is sanctioned by the Working Dog Committee (WDC) of the Newfoundland Club of America and will follow the Draft Test Regulations Revised October, 2025, Effective November 1, 2025 Copyright 1999 Newfoundland Club of America. Entrants are responsible for knowing and understanding the regulations.

Please clean up after your dog so we may return to this test site.

Dogs not being tested at the time are not permitted in the official Draft Test Areas.

Un-entered Dogs must be kept quiet and away from the designated test area.

A new standard NCA entry form is attached. Please use a separate entry form for each test day that you are entering. In accordance with NCA's updated regulations, please indicate NCA membership of all co-owners or the handler on the entry form.

Course Familiarization

As specified in the Draft test Regulations, the test will begin ten (10) minutes after the close of check-in with familiarization and walkthrough of the course. Each division will begin with a familiarization period. Each familiarization period will have a suggested 30-minute time period at the judges' discretion for walkthrough of the course.

Schedule of Events

Saturday and Sunday

8:15am	Exhibitor Check-In (All Categories) & Breakfast
8:30- 8:40am	Alternates assigned
8:50am	BDD Course Familiarization
9:05am	BDD Judges Q&A meeting with Entrants
9:20am	BDD Judges Q&A meeting with Stewards
9:35am	BDD Test Begins

Following completion of BDD testing

DD/TDD Course Familiarization
DD/TDD Judges Q&A meeting with
Entrants
DD/TDD Judges Q&A meeting with
Stewards
DD/TDD Test begins

Following completion of DD/TDD testing

DDX/TDDX Course Familiarization
DDX/TDDX Judges Q&A meeting with Entrants
DDX/TDDX Judges Q&A meeting with Stewards
DDX/TDDX Test Begins

At Judges discretion: Lunch Break

At the conclusion of all tests, awards will be presented

VOLUNTEERS NEEDED

Please consider helping on any test days. We can always use your help, and it is a wonderful opportunity to learn and support our event. Contact Karin Bystol (Chief Steward) or Andi Ottey

Withdrawing Entries and Refunds:

To withdraw an entry, the entrant must notify the test secretary by telephone, e-mail, or U.S. mail. The secretary must confirm receipt of such notifications. The entrant will receive a full refund of the entry fee if the notification is received prior to the closing date for entries. After the closing date has passed, no refunds will be given, even if an alternate was tested in their place, with the exception of alternates that did not get into the test. 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 at a later date they will not receive a refund. Once the closing date listed in the premium has passed, if an entrant notifies the secretary that they are withdrawing their entry or have passed 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 or before the day of the test, the alternate will receive a full refund. Example: If a test limit is 25 dogs and 25 dogs are tested, but none of the five dogs that were on an alternate list were tested, the five alternates would receive refunds after the test. If 20 original dogs and three alternates were tested, but two alternates did not attend the test, the handlers of those two alternates would not receive refunds because had they attended, they would have been tested. If an entrant has been assigned a spot in the test but their dog passes at a previous test, the handler must notify the test secretary by 6 pm the night before the test as to whether they will move their entry to another division (i.e., BDD to DD or DD to DDX), withdraw from the test, or requalify in the same division if the test is not full. If the test is full they have the option of being moved to the end of the alternate list to requalify

Meal Reservation Form

Lunch/Dinner Reservations

Name: _____

E-Mail: _____ Phone: _____

Saturday, Nov 7 Lunch # _____ @ \$10.00 each

Sunday, Nov 8 Lunch # _____ @\$10.00 each

Total amount for lunches \$ _____

Make checks for lunches payable to New Pen Del. Please send form and check to Draft Test Secretary: Pat Matthews, 16 Hillside Ave., Jamesburg, NJ, 08831 or bring cash to the test or pay via PayPal at <https://www.paypal.me/NewPenDelTreasurer> (please include note "water test lunch")

Catalog Advertising

An ad in the draft test catalog is a terrific way of saying "Good Luck" to those who have trained so hard as well as supporting the breed we all love. Show off a new title, announce a litter, promote your services (need not be dog related), list your kennel or just include yourself or your dog on the Booster List. The catalog will be 8.5" x 11" vertical format. "Camera Ready" ads are preferred, but the layout is available for \$5 additional. Photos should be clear and have enough contrast for scanning and black & white reproduction. Materials will be returned at the test or by including a SASE. Rates are:

Full Page	\$15 (includes 1 photo)
Half page	\$10 (no photo)

Please send ads to: Pat Matthews, 16 Hillside Ave, Jamesburg NJ, 08831; email epmatthews@comcast.net by October 27/2026, Make checks payable to New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club. Include your name, address, cell phone number, and email address with your materials.

Annual New Pen Del Draft Test Shirts

New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club Annual Draft Test

T-Shirt and sweatshirts will be available in a variety of colors.

Available at: <http://www.newpendelnewfclub.deco-apparel.com>

Brown Bag Auction

Brown bag auction will be held on Saturday to support this draft test.

Donations are always appreciated

**Please note: Catalogs will be e-mailed to each entrant prior to the test.
Marked catalogs will be emailed provided after the test.**



NEWFOUNDLAND CLUB OF AMERICA WORKING TEST ENTRY

Test Location: Brubaker's Park, East Earl, PA

Test Giving Club: New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club

CLASS	REQUAL	Sat. 11/7/26	Sun 11/8/2026
BDD			
DD/TDD			
DDX/TDDX			

ENTER WD, WRD, WRDX, BDD, DD, TDD, DDX OR TDDX UNDER CLASS

Entries close at: 11:59 pm, On: 10/27/2026. Entries postmarked before 9/24/2026 (NCA Members) or 10/4/2026 (non NCA-Members) will be returned.

Entries must be received by the test secretary, by mail, by the closing date and time.

Entries not received by the closing date and time will not be accepted even if postmarked before this date!

Send entries with \$ 50 Entry fee payable to: New-Pen-Del Newfoundland Club

Return entries to the Test Secretary: **Pat Matthews**
16 Hillside Ave.
Jamesburg, NJ, 08831

PLEASE PRINT LEGIBLY

****Information on this form will be use for record keeping and to generate a certificate of qualification should the dog and handler pass. (Only AKC, NCA & CKC titles are allowed)**

Attach a current copy of this dog's AKC Registration

Owner's Name(s): _____

Address: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Full Name of Dog: _____

AKC/ CKC/ ILP/PAL# _____ Date of Birth: _____ Sex: _____

Sire: _____

Dam: _____

Breeder (s): _____

_____ Call Name: _____

Handler's Name: _____

****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 make this entry)

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

E-Mail: _____ NCA MEMBER: _____ YES _____ NO _____ TE(6.15.19)

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 the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem to be sufficient. 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, including 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 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.

Signature: _____

Date: _____