



Premium: <u>CLASSIC TRIAL + GAME</u> Sunday, July 13, 2025

Trial Host: Fit-N- Trim Dog Sport Training

Trial Location: 103 Haverhill St, Rowley, MA 01969

Entry Closing Date: Monday July 7, 2025 at 5:00 PM

Levels: Novice, Intermediate, Advanced - NOT NESTED Classic Classes: Containers, Interiors, Exteriors, Vehicles

Game: Copycat

The classes are tentatively planned to run in the following order: Novice, Intermediate, Advance

ONLINE Entry ONLY uscaninescentsports.com

Trial Limited to 250 Runs. Entries accepted in order received

ENTRY FEE: \$25 per class

Trial Chair: Karen Gorman Email: kunabug@comcast.net **Trial Secretary**: Ellen Dana Email: EllenDana@gmail.com

Chief Search Designers and Judges: Julie Annese and Adam Skandarani

Competitor Check in: 8:00, Briefing: 8:15, first search: 8:30

PAYMENTS & WAIVERS: All payments must be sent within 5 days of on-line entry to hold your spot. Payable by check, made out to Fit-N-Trim, mailed to Karen Gorman, 103 Haverhill St, Rowley MA 01969

AWARDS: NOTE-Ribbons will not be mailed.

The following ribbons will be awarded:

- qualifying ribbon will be given at the end of your run
- 1st 4th place per Class
- Classic Title ribbon rosette (qualifying in all four elements)
- High In Trial ribbon rosette (you must enter all 5 classes to be eligible for high in trial. One NQ is allowed) Not awarded if 125 entries or less.

<u>A Classic Title</u> is awarded for qualifying runs in all 4 element classes. If a competitor does not earn their title at a Classic trial, any and all Q's earned will count toward general USCSS title requirements.

Steps for Joining USCSS, Registering Dog, and entering this trial

All competitors must become a member of USCSS, which is FREE! Competitors may join here: members.uscaninescentsports.com/signup 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: members.uscaninescentsports.com/login

- Competitors will receive email confirmation of entry from USCSS
- Competitors should note that their spot in the trial is secure only when both payment and liability waiver are received by the trial secretary.

Important – must read!

It is the Competitor's responsibility to be familiar with the most current rules and regulations for USCSS (Ver. 3.1 September 1, 2023)

SAFETY, COLLARS & LEASHES:

Flexi/retractable leads are ONLY permitted during a search. All dogs must be on a 6' or shorter leash when not participating in a search. Dogs MUST be switched over to a 6' length or shorter leash when outside of the search area. Choke chains, prong collars or halti/head collars are NOT permitted during searches. No electronic collars are allowed anywhere in the staging or search area.

• Leashes of any length may be used while the dog is participating in a search. • EVERY dog MUST maintain a minimum of 6' distance from all other dogs at ALL TIMES.

ELIGIBLE DOGS:

The following dogs are eligible to compete in USCSS events and must be registered with USCSS: • Dogs 6-months of age or older • Dogs of any breed, purebred or mixed breed • Blind, deaf or dogs with amputations or who use ambulatory carts • Bitches in season, but they must wear pants and be kept separate from all other dogs and will be run at the end of their class/trial. If bringing a bitch in season, please inform the trial secretary prior to the trial and inform all exhibitors at the judge's briefing.

REACTIVE DOGS: Fit-N-Trim accepts the entries of reactive dogs in USCSS™ trials. USCSS™ suggests that reactive dogs wear red bandannas. Please notify the Trial Secretary, in advance, if you have a reactive dog.

LUNCH We don't typically take an official lunch break, but may take a short break at the Judge's discretion. There there are many food places nearby (fast food, also restaurants, pizza, and food stores).

<u>Volunteers</u> will help our Trial run smoothly. We need Timers, Gate Stewards, Score Runners, and Others. No Experience Required! No need to give up a day-volunteers get to run first in their class. Thanks in advance for your help. Lunch will be provided to those that volunteer. Please sign up to volunteer at this trial if you can. Please email Ellen (EllenDana@gmail.com) if you would be willing/able to help.

REFUNDS & EVENT CANCELLATION: • No refunds allowed after the closing date except in the case of injured dogs (veterinary note required). • Refund will be 50% and those seeking a refund must request by 8:30 a.m. on the day of the trial. Vet note must be received by Monday after trial and can be sent to the trial chairman. Entry fees will not be refunded unless the vet letter is received. • No refund in the event that a dog is absent, disqualified, excused or barred from completion on the day of the event. • Every attempt will be made to hold this event as scheduled. In the event of an "act of God" such as flood or fire, or civil disturbances or any other causes beyond the control of the organizing committee, the event may be canceled. We will make every attempt to contact entrants and inform them of the cancellation.

SCHEDULE: Dogs will run senior through novice. The elements will be run back-to-back with the game in the middle. Schedule subject to change. Check In starts at 8:00 a.m. Briefing will be at 8:30 a.m

CLEAN UP AFTER YOUR DOG! Dispose of waste in appropriate containers. Please Do not let your dogs eliminate anywhere near or on the buildings.

Crating There will be no crating at this event. Crating will be in your car.

Parking Sufficient parking area. Please watch for cone or signs indicating an area is off limits for parking-it may be a search area.

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Food Lots of places nearby. We will not be offering any food at this trial. Please bring food and water for you and your dog (s).

Facility, Bathrooms and Water Be prepared for all kinds of weather, Bring water for you and your dog(s), Porter Potty available on site.

24h Emergency Vet

Bulger Veterinary Hospital

Lawrence,MA

978-682-9905

Dog Friendly Hotels

We have made no arrangements with any hotel. Hotels below are listed as Dog Friendly.

Motel 6 (12 Miles)

65 Newbury Street (rt 1 North)

Danvers MA 01923

978-774-8045

Best Western (11 miles)

50 Dayton Street

Danvers, MA 01923

978-777-1700

Hampton Inn (13 Miles)

106 Bank Road (I-495)

Haverhill, MA 01832

978-374-7755

Release of Liability (MUST BE SENT WITH PAYMENT)

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Name:
Dog's Name:
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 above. In consideration of entering this US Canine Scent Sports Dogs TM trial, I (we) agree to abide by the rules and regulations of US Canine Scent Sports TM. in effect at the time of this event, and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the rulebook dated July 2022 for this event, and further agree to be bound by this liability waiver for all dogs in my care at this event, entered or not. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard (dog or human aggressive) to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I (we) agree to conduct myself (ourselves) in accordance with all US Canine Scent Sports Dogs TM Rules and Regulations and to abide by any decisions 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) agree to hold US Canine Scent Sports Dogs TM, Fit-N-Trim, their event committee and volunteers, 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 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 for 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
Waiver of Rights to Privacy, Publicity & Personality In consideration of this entry, I hereby grant to US Canine Scent Sports Dogs TM, Fit-N-Trim, all rights and permissions to use or appropriate my dog and my name, biography, likeness, photograph or other indicia of identity for broadcast, telecast, transmission or distribution in any format or media known now or in the future. The terms of this agreement bind the parties for the current period of training or trialing, and all subsequent classes/training/events in which they hereafter participate. Be sure you read and understand the USCSS Rules and Regulations prior to entering these trials. By submitting an entry for these USCSS Trials, you acknowledge that you have read, understand, and accept the policies and liability information as printed in this document.
Signaturo:

Date:_____