



**SDDA**

## **SDDA Sanctioned Trial Sporting Scent Detection Trial**

### **Trial Hosted By Alert K9**

**Trial Dates:** January 10, 2026

#### **Trial Locations:**

Stepping Stone Senior Centre, 15 Saunders St., Fredericton NB

#### **Trial Opening Date:**

Registered Participants (RPs) - Tuesday, December 2, 2025 at 7:00pm (AST)

Non-Registered Participants - Friday, December 5, 2025 at 7:00pm (AST)

**Closing date:** When trial fills (limited entries).

**Resets will be offered for Excellent.**

**Same day move-ups allowed.**

**Started & Advanced Exterior Searches are Area,  
Excellent Exterior Searches are Vehicles.**

#### **Levels and Components Offered\*:**

**Trial 2765:** Judge: Jean-Marc Dugas - Advanced, Excellent & Elite

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**Trial 2767:** Judge: Alli Yerxa - Started, Advanced, Excellent & Elite

**Trial 2767:** Judge: Alli Yerxa - Excellent

#### **\*Important Notes:**

- Judges are subject to change without notice; refunds will not be issued due to judge changes.
- Area and vehicle searches are subject to change at judge's discretion.
- Container searches may be held outside where the level permits.
- Exteriors can be a combination of area and vehicle searches. Final search locations may be adjusted last minute.
- Runs may be capped, if required, due to space/location.

**Trial Committee:**

**Trial Chair:** Lesley Thomas

**Secretary:** Natalie Hartford

**Volunteer Coordinator:** Nancy Detweiler

For questions or concerns, the trial committee can be reached at: [alertk9nb@gmail.com](mailto:alertk9nb@gmail.com)

**Entries:** via google form

**Online entry:** <https://forms.gle/eR2H4C1mUpNDUdCy5>

**Volunteers and/or Judges will get priority entry.** All others entries are on a first come first serve basis. Alert K9 has the right to refuse any entry for any reason.

Those requiring assistance with the form can contact the Trial Chair & Secretary at: [alertk9nb@gmail.com](mailto:alertk9nb@gmail.com).

Please check in with the Trial Secretary upon your arrival to the trial site. This titling event is being held under the rules of the **Sporting Detection Dogs Association (SDDA)**. Open to all breeds & mixes of dogs. Dogs must be registered with the SDDA and be over six (6) months of age. Please advise us in advance if you will be bringing a bitch in heat. Bitches in heat will be moved to the end of our running order.

**Unofficial scent not permitted on the trial site.**

**DOGS:** Dogs must be under control at all times. Please keep barking to a minimum, pick up after your dogs promptly, and note that your dog MUST be on leash when not crated or in the search areas. Any handler displaying inhumane or aggressive treatment of any dog, the public or other handlers (physically or verbally) will be asked to leave the premises without refund. The use of prong, shock, or choke collars are prohibited on Alert K9 event premises.

All dogs must be on a flat collar or harness in the search area.

Alert K9 is committed to upholding a strict code of conduct for both participants and volunteers/staff that ensures just and fair treatment of everyone at the trial. This code holds everyone accountable to the highest standards of integrity and sportsmanship. We strive to create a respectful and inclusive environment, foster a positive experience for everyone (both human and canine). Please view the [participant code of conduct here](#) and the [volunteer code of conduct here](#).

**Competitors, through the submission of their entries, acknowledge that they know the Rules and Regulations. See Master Rule Book on the SDDA web site to familiarize yourself with all rules.**

Handler/Dog Teams may enter one or all components.

All three (3) components (Container, Interior, Exterior) must be successfully completed (qualifying scores earned) to earn the SD-S, SD- A, SD -E title; it is not necessary to complete all three on the same day, however. The SP (Special) will be added to the title of any dog who does complete the three components on the same day, at the same trial. Elite (SD-EL) all 3 components must be completed on the same day to earn the title.

## **General Information:**

### **Fees (per day, per level):**

Component entry - \$40.25 (HST is included)

### **Payment:**

Via e-transfer to Alert K9 at: [alertk9nb@gmail.com](mailto:alertk9nb@gmail.com)

Once a competitor's entries have been processed and approved, confirmation emails will be sent to each competitor with payment instructions. Receipt of full payment is due within 24 hours of the confirmation emails.

### **Entries:**

Limited entries per level.

### **Confirmation of Entry:**

Will be emailed within 2-3 days of the opening date. Payment must be received 24 hours after confirmation to secure your entry.

### **Waitlist:**

A waitlist will be maintained should the trial fill. Any spots coming available will be offered to competitors in the order entries were received.

### **Running Order:**

Will be determined by random draw. Tentative running order and trial timing information will be emailed to competitors prior to trial start. Alert K9 staff will be running first.

**Exterior Components:**

Our plan is to include vehicles as the exterior search component of this trial. However, depending on circumstances on the trial days, we may transition this component to area searches. Please note that no refunds will be issued for adjustments to the search components.

**Refunds:**

Refund Policy: All entries are final. Refunds are only given if your spot is filled from the waitlist. Any approved withdrawal is subject to a flat \$75 administration fee. If your spot cannot be replaced, no refund will be issued.

**No Shows:**

Handler/dog team who have not contacted the trial secretary to give notice and are not present at the time of their level briefing will be moved to the bottom of the run order. Should the team not attend the trial no refund will be given.

**Awards:**

Qualifying ribbons will be presented, after each level, per component and rosettes for titles/placements. New Title rosettes will be given out for all new titles. Top Dog prizes in each level will be awarded. Awards will also be given for Judge's Choice at the discretion of the Judges.

**Crating:**

There will be no indoor crating available at the location. Be prepared to crate in your vehicle. Bring appropriate equipment to keep your dog comfortable.

Accommodations:

**Fredericton Inn**

1315 Prospect Street, Fredericton, NB

[www.frederictoninn.nb.ca](http://www.frederictoninn.nb.ca)

(506) 455-1430 or 800-561-8777

**Ramada Fredericton**

480 Riverside Drive, Fredericton, NB

[www.ramadafredericton.com](http://www.ramadafredericton.com)

506-300-3447 or 800-596-4656

Veterinarian services:

**Capital City Emergency Veterinary Hospital**

OPEN 24/7

80 Bishop Drive, Suite B

Fredericton, NB, E3C 1B2

PLEASE CALL 506-447-8387

**Port City Emergency Veterinary Hospital**

OPEN 24/7

Parkway Mall (off Majors Brook Dr.)

212 McAllister Drive, Unit 130A

Saint John, NB, Canada E2J 2S5

PLEASE CALL 506-658-8387

**Riverview Animal Hospital 24 Hour Emergency Care**

Open 24/7

550 Pine Glen Road

Riverview, NB, Canada E1B 4X2

PLEASE CALL 506-387-4015

**Bitches in Heat:**

Bitches in heat may compete. Panties must be worn at all times when trialing. Bitches in heat will be placed at the end of the run order. Please notify the trial secretary at time of arrival of a bitch in heat.

**Volunteering:**

If you would like to volunteer to time, gate keep, run papers to the secretary please email the trial secretary. Lunch will be provided for all volunteers. Volunteers are always appreciated!

**Lunch:**

There will be no lunch provided. There is a Tim Hortons and fast food establishments near the venue.

\*\*Judges and hosts have the authority to expel any handler from a test or trial who displays unsportsmanlike conduct during the event. These may include but are not limited to:

- Striking, kicking, or otherwise roughly handling a dog
- Harassing or abusing any event official or competitor
- Discussing with other competitors the location of a target odor or cleared area

**\*PLEASE MAKE SURE TO INCLUDE YOU REGISTERED PARTICIPANT NUMBER IF APPLICABLE. IF ITS NOT INCLUDED ENTRY WILL NOT BE ACCEPTED UNTIL NON-REGISTERED PARTICIPANTS ARE ABLE TO ENTER\***