ENTRY LIMITATIONS AND TEST INFORMATION

In accordance with AKC Tracking Regulations, entries in these tests will be accepted up to the official closing date and time, even though the advertised limits may have been reached. These tests are open to all registerable dogs at least six months of age.

Should the number of entries exceed the number of tracks available, a drawing to determine which entries will participate in the tests will be held **Thursday, December 31, 2026, at 8:00 pm, at the Secretary's home, 1415 Wavecrest Lane, Houston, TX.** This drawing will be conducted by the Test Secretary and shall be completely random among all entries received, except that preference shall be given dogs that have not earned the title for the test in which they are entering. STA considers all entries, equally, and does not reserve tracks for test workers as allowed in Chapter 1, Section 17d, Test Worker Option

When the advertised limit for each test has been drawn, all of the remaining entries shall be similarly drawn and assigned a position on the appropriate TD or TDX Alternates List, subject to the same preference set forth above. The Test Secretary shall then notify all entries of the results of the drawing.

If one portion of this test does not fill, and there are properly entered alternates for the other portion, track types may be exchanged in accordance with Chapter 1, Section 12 of the AKC rules.

Entry fees will not be refunded in the event a dog is absent (see below), disqualified, excused by a veterinarian or judge, or barred from participation by action of the Test Committee. **Bitches in season may participate per Chapter 2, Section 8, Tracking Regulations**.

Entry fee will be refunded for: (a) an alternate who does not participate, and (b) an entry who is absent by virtue of having earned, after the close of entries, the title for the test in which he is entered, **provided** a properly entered alternate is available **and** runs said dog's track. Refunds will be mailed within seven (7) days following the test.

In the event an accepted entry cancels following the closing of entries, the Test Secretary shall contact alternates according to their placement on the Alternates List. Upon such notification, alternates shall have the option of accepting or refusing the opportunity to participate in the test.

In the event an accepted entry is absent on the day of the test, it shall be the responsibility of the Test Secretary to determine if alternates are present and, by their position on the Alternates List, determine which of the alternates shall participate.

The assignment of dogs to the tracks, by the drawing of lots, is the responsibility of the judges.

Entry fees will not 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.

The AKC is committed to creating a safe and respectful sport environment for all. If you need to talk to someone, or need help, please call 800-656-HOPE (National Sexual Assault Hotline) or text HOME to 741-741 for free 24/7 confidential services from trained crisis counselors.

There will be a meeting of the Southwest Tracking Club after the test is completed Sunday January 10, 2027, at test Headquarters.

Events # 2027505101
2027505102

Entries close Thursday, December 31, 2026, at 7:00 p.m.

*****PREMIUM LIST*****

TRACKING DOG (TD) TEST
Limited to 4 dogs
TRACKING DOG EXCELLENT (TDX) TEST
Limited to 4 dogs

Licensed by The American Kennel Club

Southwest Tracking Association of Metropolitan Houston, Inc.

S u n d a y January 10, 2027

Location: George Bush Park
16756 Parkway, Houston, TX

Test Hours: 7:00 a.m. to 5:00 p.m.

Drawing for Tracks: TD at 7:30 a.m. ~ TDX at 9:30 a.m.
First track will run as soon as practical after draw.

Entry Fee: TD $80.00 // TDX $130.00 (inc. $3.50 AKC Service Fee)

Make check payable to Southwest Tracking Association. or S.T. A.
Mail entry, certification (if appropriate) & fee to:

Natalie Wiest, Tracking Test Secretary
1415 Wavecrest Lane
Houston, TX 77062

SOUTHWEST TRACKING ASSOCIATION OF METRO HOUSTON, INC.

President .....Ed McCaddon
Vice President .....Sally Elkins
Treasurer.....Kathy Daniel
Secretary.....Natalie Wiest
1415 Wavecrest Lane, Houston, TX 77062

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TRACKING TEST COMMITTEE

Test Chairman / Secretary ..... Natalie Wiest
1415 Wavecrest Lane, Houston TX 77062
Chief Track Layer.....Kathy Daniel
Judges Transportation.....Janiece Newell
Equipment.....Kathy Daniel
Awards and Hospitality.....Officers and Members of the Club

DRAWING FOR TRACKS

TD 7:30 a.m. ~ TDX 9:30 a.m.
At Test Headquarters – Pavilion 1, George Bush Park
The first track for each test will be run as soon as time and weather permit.

ROUTE TO TEST SITE

From I-10 East or West turn south on Hwy 6 to Westheimer Parkway. Turn West on Westheimer Parkway and stay to the right over the dam and into the park entrance. Continue 1.2 miles to intersection with S Barker Cypress Road. Go left. First driveway on your left goes to Pavilion 1. Alternatively, from Westpark Tollway, exit FM1464/FM1093. Head north on Barker Cypress Road for approximately ¾ mile. Last parking area on your right before Westheimer Parkway is entrance to Pavilion 1.

JUDGES:

TD & TDX:

Ginny Conway #7179	**Carol Ruthenberg #6194**	**Katrine Voie #117295**
14114 Verde Mar Ln	828 N Front Street	12327 Attlee Dr
Houston TX 77095-3456	Monticello IL 61586-1048	Houston TX 77077-4801
TDX	TD and TDX	TD

CERTIFICATION

Permission has been granted by the American Kennel Club for the holding of this event under the American Kennel Club Rules and Regulations.

AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB℠

Sheila H. Goffe, Executive Secretary

ENTRY INFORMATION
ENTRIES CLOSE THURSDAY, December 31, 2026@ 7:00 P.M.

FEES: ***$80.00 TD / $130.00 TDX*** (includes $4.50 AKC Event Fee)

Make all checks and/or money orders payable to:
Southwest Tracking Association of Metro Houston (S.T.A.)

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEE TO: Natalie Wiest, Test Secretary
1415 Wavecrest Lane
Houston TX 77062

Entries must be made on an Official American Kennel Club Entry Form, signed by the actual owner or a duly authorized agent, and include a signed original certification if entering the TD portion of this test. Note - Do not require a signature on Overnight, Priority or Express Mail envelopes.

Entries will be acknowledged and a judging schedule mailed as soon as practical after entries close. Should such acknowledgement not be received within a reasonable time, please contact the Test Secretary at: **(832) 561 3646**

AWARDS

Each passing entrant will receive an award, designed specifically for this event and offered by the Club. Awards may be mailed.

ACCOMMODATIONS

La Quinta Motor Inn	Motel 6	Red Roof Inn
(I-10 near Hwy 6)	(I-10 at Hwy. 6)	(I-10 at Hwy. 6)
15225 Katy Freeway	14833 Katy Freeway	15701 Park Row Blvd .
Houston, TX 77094	Houston, TX 77094	Houston, TX 77084
(281) 646-9201	(281) 497-5000	(281) 579-7200

(Well-behaved dogs only, please. Deposit may be required.)

VETERINARIAN ON-CALL

Animal Emergency Clinic, 8921 Katy Freeway, 713-932-9589

NOTICE: No video taping of this event will be allowed except with prior permission of the Test Secretary, judges and exhibitors.

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

AGREEMENT

I (we) agree that the club holding this event has the right to refuse this entry for cause which the club shall deem sufficient. 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 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 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 persons. **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 ITS 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

1. (Variety) if you are entering a dog of a breed in which there are varieties for show purposes, please designate the particular variety you are entering, i.e., Cocker Spaniel (solid color black, ASCOB, parti-color), Beagles (not exceeding 13 in. over 13 in. but not exceeding 15 in.), Dachshunds (longhaired, smooth, wirehaired), Collies (rough, smooth), Bull Terriers (colored, white), Manchester Terriers (standard, toy), Chihuahuas (smooth coat, long coat), English Toy Spaniels (King Charles and Ruby, Blenheim and Prince Charles), Poodles (toy, miniature, standard).
2. The following categories of dogs may be entered and shown in Best of Breed competition: Dogs that are Champions of Record and dogs which, according to their owner's records, have completed the requirements for a championship, but whose championships are unconfirmed. The showing of unconfirmed Champions in Best of Breed competition is limited to a period of 90 days from the date of the show where the dog completed the requirements for a championship.
3. (Dog Show Class) Consult the classification in this premium list. If the dog show class in which you are entering your dog is divided, then, in addition to designating the class, specify the particular division of the
class which you are entering your dog, i.e., age division, color division, weight division.
4. A dog must be entered in the name of the person who actually owned it at the time entries for a show closed. If a registered dog has been acquired by a new owner it must be entered in the name of its new owner in any show for which entries closed after the date of acquirement, regardless of whether the new owner has received the registration certificate indicating that the dog is recorded in his name. State on entry form whether transfer application has been mailed to A.K.C. (For complete rule refer to Chapter 14, Section 3.)

If this entry is for Jr. Showmanship please give the following information:

JUNIOR SHOWMANSHIP JR's DATE OF BIRTH _____

ADDRESS _____

CITY _____ STATE _____ ZIP _____

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If Jr. Handler is not the owner of the dog identified on the face of the form, what is the relationship of the Jr. Handler to the owner?

OFFICIAL AMERICAN KENNEL CLUB TRACKING ENTRY FORM

AKC LICENSED TRACKING TEST AND TRACKING EXCELLENT TEST

Southwest Tracking Association of Metropolitan Houston, Inc.

Sunday January 10, 2027

ENTRY FEE: **$80** TD, **$130** TDX

ENTRIES CLOSE at Secretary's home, Thursday, December 31, 2026 , 7:00 P.M

MAKE CHECKS or Money Orders (in US funds) payable to:

Southwest Tracking Association

MAIL ENTRIES WITH FEES TO:

Natalie Wiest, 1415 Wavecrest Lane, Houston TX 77062

BREED_____ VARIETY_____ SEX_____

☐ TD ☐ TDX

FULL NAME OF DOG_____

☐ AKC REG NO. DATE OF BIRTH _____

☐ AKC LITTER NO.

☐ ILP NO. PLACE OF BIRTH

☐ FOREIGN REG. NO ☐ USA ☐ CANADA ☐ FOREIGN

BREEDER_____

SIRE_____

DAM_____

ACTUAL OWNER(S)_____
PLEASE PRINT

ADDRESS_____

ADDRESS_____

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 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 Tracking Test and by any additional rules and regulations appearing in the premium list for this Tracking Test, and further agree to be bound by the agreement printed on the reverse side of this entry form. I (we) certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted on the foregoing representation and agreement.

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Signature of owner or agent duly authorized to make this entry

Telephone ( )_____E-Mail_____

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