



2023 Greater Swiss Mountain Dog National Draft Trial

1350 Bennett Valley Road, Santa
Rosa, California

Tuesday, October 24, 2023 @
8:00am

One Trial (One entry per dog)

GSMDCA DRAFT TRIAL

Hosted by

**GOLDEN STATE GREATER SWISS MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB for
THE GREATER SWISS MOUNTAIN DOG CLUB OF AMERICA**

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Test hours begin at 8 AM on Tuesday, October 24, 2023 and will continue until all teams have completed. Lunch will be offered – as decided by the judges. All judging will be outdoors.

Entries close at 5:00 PM PST, Monday, October 2, 2023 after which time entries cannot be accepted, canceled or altered, except as specifically allowed in the GSMDCA Draft Test regulations.

The entry fee is \$40.00 per single dog or brace. One entry per dog. Novice, Open, Novice Brace, and Open Brace classes will be offered.

Entries must be submitted via Master Entry:

<https://form.jotform.com/231788832123156>

DRAFT TEST COMMITTEE

- Draft Test Chairperson: Lisa England, 24756 Golden Oak Lane, Newhall, CA 91321, 805-791-9277, lisa@silveroakgsmd.com
- Draft Test Secretary: Kelly Stover, 469 Grinnel Court, Simi Valley, CA 93065, 805-358-0625, k_stover@sbcglobal.net
- Draft Test Committee Member: Toni Killpatrick, 40424 Calle Cancun, Indio, CA 92203, 209-742-5462, skeeter1113@gmail.com
- Draft Test Committee Member: Becky Reinke, 1418 N. Joplin Circle, Mesa, AZ 85207, 602-885-8557, breinke53@icloud.com

DRAFT TEST JUDGES

- Kelly Lovley, 9 Round Hills Road, Amherst, MA 01002, 413-238-7085, kelly@prismgsmd.com
- Todd Snyder, 1606 N. Rocky View Road, Castle Rock, CO 80108, 303-688-9109, todd@swissy.com

Host Hotel

Cambria Hotel Sonoma Wine Country 5870 Labath Ave
Rohnert Park, CA 95409 707-584-1500 www.cambriasonoma.com
Room Block is under Way Out West 2023

Emergency Veterinarian

VCA Pet Care East
2425 Mendocino Ave. Santa Rosa, CA (707) 579-3900 On-call and Emergency

Human Hospital

Providence Santa Rosa Memorial Hospital 1165 Montgomery Drive, Santa Rosa, CA
(707) 525-5300

ENTRY INFORMATION

Definitions: The term dog applies to GSMD's of both sexes. The term team means a handler and his/her dog. All terms and instructions and regulations that refer to a single dog also apply to a pair of dogs working together unless otherwise noted.

Important Details:

1. Entered dogs must be 18 months or older on the day of the Draft Test.
2. Bitches in season are permitted to compete (see rules and regulations for details).
4. The Basic Control Exercise shall be waived for dogs that have earned an AKC Companion Dog (CD) title **IF** a copy of the CD title certificate is sent to Lisa England, Draft Chairperson @ lisa@silveroakgsmd.com or mailed to: Lisa England @ 24756 Golden Oak Lane, Newhall, CA 91321. In the event, the CD requirements were met, but the title certificate has not yet been received, the entrant may so state on the form and in a separate letter attached to the entry. If the dog passes the Draft Test, the NDD or DD title and certificate will be withheld until after the Draft Work Committee (DWC) Chairperson receives a copy of the CD title certificate.

5. Handlers must provide the draft rig and weight for the freight haul. Any of the following draft rigs may be used: cart, wagon, sled, toboggan, or travois. Each of these must be equipped so that the draft rig cannot run upon the dog when hauling downhill.
6. The handler selects and provides an appropriate freight load for the apparatus and the dog.
7. Entrants are responsible for obtaining the GSMDCA Draft Test Regulations and being familiar with them. The GSMDCA Draft Test Rules and Regulations have been revised, dated 1/1/19. Please ensure that you have familiarized yourself with the new regulations.

If entries exceed the test limit, the following priority will be used to create two groups which are applied to the test limit in order:

1. Untitled GSMDs.
2. Titled GSMDs.

“Titled” means the title of the entered class. In the case of a brace, both dogs must be titled to be considered a titled team. Entrants must notify the Draft Test Chairperson if a dog has earned a title in the entered class, including if the title is earned after the entry has been submitted.”

A random draw will be held within 48 hours of closing, all entrants will be notified by email of their entry status. Entries exceeding the total test limit will be assigned to an alternate list in the order in which they were drawn. Alternates may compete if a slot becomes available because a team is absent or unable to compete.

Entry is limited to 24 GSMD teams total, whether entered in Novice, Novice Brace, Open or Open Brace Draft classes.

Entries close when Master Entry closes at 5:00 PM on Monday PST, October 2, 2023.

SCHEDULE

7:30 AMEntrants Arrive & Set Up
 8:00 AMEquipment Check
 8:30 AM to 9 AMCourse Review
 Approx 9:15 AMJudging Begins

PRIZES

All participating entrants will receive a ring prize and each dog with a passing performance will receive a specially created trophy.

THE TEST SITE

The Test will occur in a marked outdoor ring @ Sonoma County Fairgrounds.

The Freight Haul course primarily consists of a 1 mile trek around the fairgrounds. There are at least 4 different surfaces (grass, gravel, concrete, and dirt) and a gradual down/upslope.

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of America (GSMDCA) in effect at the time of these GSMDCA Draft Tests and other events and by any additional rules appearing in the premium list for these events. I certify and represent that the dog entered is not a hazard to persons or other dogs. This entry is submitted for acceptance on the foregoing representation and Agreement. I agree to conduct myself in accordance with all such Rules and Regulations (including all provisions applying to discipline) and to abide by any decisions made in accordance with them.

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