

NACSW K9 Nose Work® Instructor Training and Certification Course Registration Information, Process and General FAQ's

General Information

The instructor program is an in-depth educational program designed to enhance the nose work class experience for both the dog and human student. K9 Nose Work® is for those wanting to share the fun and success of K9 Nose Work® for dogs of all shapes, sizes, needs and skills.

K9 Nose Work® blends the foundational skills used in K9 detection with a unique teaching style that promotes individuality and relationship building between dogs and their people, providing a lifetime of rewarding experiences.

The K9 Nose Work® training method has also proved to be an exceptional enrichment activity and behavior enhancement tool for those working in the shelter and rescue system or with special needs dogs.

The course consists of 8 virtual (on-line) training days spread over two course weekends (segments 1&2; participants must attend in real time, it is not available as a recording), video submissions of K9NW instruction, hours logs, and demonstration of practical experience as well as other course requirements. This is a comprehensive program designed to incorporate all the foundational principles of the K9 Nose Work® methodology to take dogs from the basics of independent hunting development through trial preparedness and beyond.

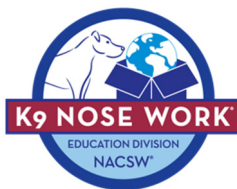
****Only Certified Nose Work Instructors (CNWI), Associate Nose Work Instructors (ANWI), & Prospective Nose Work Instructors (PNWI) are approved to use the K9 Nose Work® class name and receive the support of the National Association of Canine Scent Work Instructor Education program.**

Times:

9 a.m. to 5 p.m. Pacific Time (subject to adjustment) –daily attendance required.

Prerequisites:

We strongly recommend course participants familiarize themselves with the NACSW K9 Nose Work® program prior to starting the NACSW K9 Nose Work® Instructor Certification Course. It is also recommended (but not mandatory) that attendees have participated in or have taken classes with a K9 Nose Work® Certified Instructor (CNWI) where available or ANWI, PNWI if a CNWI is not in your area.



Prerequisites continued:

Mandatory requirement: Participants must have taken an Official Foundational Seminar (Introduction to K9 Nose Work or K9 Nose Work for Shelter Dogs) with one of the program founders or complete the Introduction to K9 Nose Work® online seminar prior to the start of the instructor course weekend. This will be a requirement to have completed prior to finalizing certification. The link to the on-line seminar will be made available to new program participants prior to segment 1.

Graduates of the certification program will have dedicated 1-2 years on average to the study of K9 Nose Work®, attending courses and lectures, and logging over 75 hours of training, observing, and teaching. All Certified Nose Work Instructors (CNWI) have demonstrated the skills necessary to train a dog and handle it in competition, as well as the ability to teach other dogs and handlers the activity and sport of K9 Nose Work from beginning level to advanced.

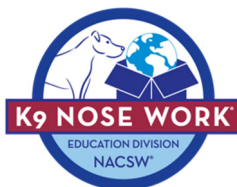
In addition, you will need to have access to the internet with reasonable upload/download speeds as well as to a working microphone and camera, as you will be expected to participate and interact visually and via audio with the presenters and fellow instructors-in-training during the length of the course". Live attendance is required for all 8 days of the course. Please plan your schedule and make arrangements accordingly.

Cost:

\$2500.00 USD. Full payment is due and required at the time of registration. There are no discounts available. Payment in installments is available through Stripe/Klarna.

Registration Process: (NOTE: Please start this process only when you are ready to meet the financial commitment.)

1. Email educationadmin@k9nosework.com to request an account in the Instructor Portal system if you don't already have one, specifying that you want to begin the registration process for the Instructor Course.
2. You will receive a username and passphrase. Use these to log onto the Instructor/Education website: <https://education.k9nosework.com/login>.
3. Once you have logged in, please fill out your information in the Personal Information tab, including address, phone and email, and click "Save."
4. Click on the "Course Catalog" tab, scroll down to the "Instructor Training Course" from the list of available courses. Be sure to select the correct date.
5. Once you are on the course detail page, click on the "Register" button.
6. Payments will be processed via Stripe and will be due upon registration. (please email educationfinance@k9nosework.com with any questions regarding the payment process)
7. Upon processing of your registration/payment, you will receive a confirmation from the



Education Department. It is YOUR responsibility to follow up with registrations@k9nosework.com if you do not receive confirmation within a month of registration.

8. For current CNWI attending individual course days – log into the Instructor/Education website and follow the above-described process. You will pay \$100/day. For PNWI/ANWI repeating course days – contact registrations@k9nosework.com to arrange for manual registration and course payment.

Cancellation Policy: Refunds will be offered up until 21 days prior to Day 1 of the 8-day course. There will be a \$150 cancellation fee. NO refunds will be offered for any reason after the 21 day cut off. To cancel your participation, you must submit your request in writing to registrations@k9nosework.com. Your registration will only be considered canceled if you receive a confirmation or receipt of your request for cancellation. Registrations are non-transferable. Note: Event cancellations due to civil unrest, health emergencies, acts of war, God, location issues or for reasons beyond the control of NACSW or K9 Nose Work Education Division are non-refundable. All efforts will be made to deliver the event at a later date as an online educational presentation.

Future Course Dates: As new courses are added we will make that information available.

Capacity: We limit the number of new prospective instructors for each scheduled course. Once registration opens, the course stays open until all spots are full or we determine it is necessary to close registration.

**Active approved K9 Nose Work® instructors can be identified by the use of CNWI, ANWI or PNWI following their name.

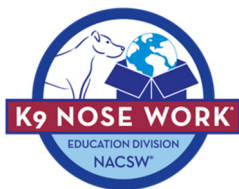
LEARN MORE AT:

<https://k9nosework.com>. In going through the program, you will be expected to complete a Training Strand, Course Strand and Applied Learning Strand, and to submit relevant documentation.

Training Strand: <https://k9nosework.com/k9-nose-work-instructor-certification-program-requirements/>

Standards and Practices: <https://files.constantcontact.com/36064c69501/130c2e61-6099-48aa-835e-e91c3f450960.pdf>

Instructor Agreement with NACSW K9 Nose Work CNWI Program:
<https://files.constantcontact.com/36064c69501/98faddb8-0c36-44d1-bf7c-4054d04acb7e.pdf>



Frequently Asked Questions

Do previous classes with CNWI count towards my training strand? Yes

I attended an Intro lecture at a K9 Nose Work Camp hosted by Dogs of Course in association with NACSW do that count as my seminar with a founder requirement? Yes

Will I still need to do an Intro with a Founder prior to finalizing my certification if I did class with a CNWI or too a lot of other nose work seminars? Yes. At this time, we still require either in person attendance at an Intro to K9 Nose Work with a founder or the online Intro to K9 Nose Work available in the portal after registration is finalized.

Are there any approved on-line classes that I can take? Yes. We have approved on-line K9NW classes with an approved CNWI in lieu of in person if in person is unavailable to you.

Hours of instruction: 9:00-5:00 PM PST (subject to adjustment based on individual course dynamics and requirements)

What happens if there are no classes nearby to where I live? As noted above if access to in person K9 Nose Work classes is unavailable to you, an online class focusing on K9 Nose Work and the established principles of K9NW can be substituted. Please contact submissions@k9nosework.com to confirm approval.

Is this course open to people outside of the USA? Yes. Courses whether in-person or online are open to participants both inside and outside the United States. However, when courses are in person attendees must attend the course location directly.

How can I do an ORT if I am outside of the USA? Please see alternatives included in this link. <https://k9nosework.com/k9-nose-work-instructor-certification-program-requirements/>

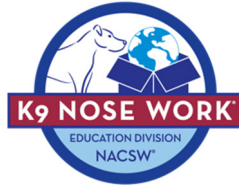
Will this course give me enough training to teach classes in my dog training business? Yes. The goal of the K9 Nose Work Instructor program is to develop instructors, so they have the foundational skills to start teaching K9 Nose Work classes. But as with most instructional programs continuing education and development will be essential to enhance each individuals' skills as an instructor.

How do I fulfill the requirement of Intro to K9 Nose Work with a founder? Upon enrolling in the course, you will have an opportunity to sign up for a 4-hour webinar that meets this requirement.

Do I need to complete in-person coursework in addition to the full virtual course in order to complete certification? Each course will have specifics related to in-person vs. online attendance requirements. Only courses set up as hybrids (one segment in-person and one online) have a split requirement.

Is there a discount for trainers employed by 501c3 animal shelters? Currently, we do not have a discounted course tuition for shelter/rescue staff.

Is there a scholarship option? There are no scholarships available at this time.



How many CEUs are available to current CNWI for this course? 6 CEUs for each day of attendance.