

K9 NOSE WORK™

CLASS TOOLS

WHAT YOU'LL NEED TO BRING

- ❑ **Crate** (where your dog will rest between runs). *Dogs must be crate-trained unless other accommodations are available. Dogs may be crated in vehicles, weather permitting.*
- ❑ **Chair** (There will be facility chairs, but you may prefer something more comfortable)
- ❑ **Water** (for you and the dog)
- ❑ **Flat Collar** (buckle or Martingale style) or a well-fitted traditional style harness during the class. No head halters or Easy Walk harnesses during runs but they may be used to and from the search area as needed.
- ❑ **Leash:** A 6-foot light-weight leather or nylon leash (no chain or retractable). All dangling items, rings, charms, poop bags holders must be removed so as not to distract the dog.
- ❑ **Toys and/or treats:** HIGH VALUE toys and treats! Bring a few things in case what you thought was going to work doesn't. Sometimes, your usual food reward for other activities is not high enough value for Nose Work. We've found some of the following to be very motivating: Tuna, sardines, salmon, bleu cheese, ham hocks, sausages, mackerel, meatballs, liverwurst, and hot dogs. Please avoid crumbly/crunchie cookie-type treats.
- ❑ **Treat pouch/bait bag:** Please bring a small vented container, bait bag or "Tug N Treat" in which to put the food. (no plastic baggies)
- ❑ **Hungry & Motivated Dog:** Please either don't feed your dog before the class, or feed a reduced meal so that your dog is hungry and motivated. Also if you have a high energy dog, please don't burn them out with a long hike or play session before the class.