

National Search Dog Alliance (NSDA)

Avalanche Ski Patrol Responder Test Prerequisites

Handler's Name

The team being tested must provide documentation verifying completion of all the testing prerequisites before the field test may be taken. Copies of original documents showing successful completion of the following shall be presented in an organized fashion (notebook, stapled, folder, etc). NSDA may request these copies in advance of the actual testing event. If so, the documents may not be returned. The candidate is required to take and pass the written Discipline Prerequisite test prior to the Avalanche discipline specific test -- see online testing www.n--sda.org.

K-9 is at least one (1) year of age: copy of proof from veterinarian, AKC registration or similar organization registration	
NIMS IS 200 - copy of certificate	
Basic First Aid or higher: copy of certificate/card from American Red Cross or other recognized organization * Emergency Medical Technician or Outdoor Emergency Care (OEC): copy of certificate/card from a recognized organization	
CPR Certification: copy of certificate/card from American Heart Assoc., American Red Cross or other recognized organization	
Temperament evaluations: copy of certificate from AKC Canine Good Citizen, Therapy Dog International, Schutzhund title, AKC obedience title or other nationally known obedience title	
Current vaccinations: copy of veterinary records of <u>current</u> rabies, distemper, and parvo or positive titer results for each taken within the last 6 months. Current is defined as within last twelve (12) months or a documented three (3) year vaccination in the last thirty-six (36) months.	
Training Logs showing: eight (8) completed live problems in the last twelve (12) months, of which two were double burials.	
Proof of successful completion of one of the following: American Avalanche Association, Level I or II; National Ski Patrol Avalanche, Level I or II; American Institute for Avalanche Research Education, Level I or II	
Proof of helicopter hot load/unload: <i>Recommended</i> signoff.	
Letter of recommendation from: a Sheriff, Ski Patrol Director, SAR Commander or K-9 SAR Coordinator/Training Officer, stating that the candidate and K-9 meet the following: a. Handler has strong over-snow travel skills; b. Handler has winter survival skills; c. Handler is an asset to the winter rescue mission; d. K-9 is physically capable of performing under adverse conditions.	
Testing fee received	

*** Required for Ski Patrol Responder certificate**

Evaluator(s) Printed _____

Evaluator(s) Signature _____ **Date** _____