

North American Sport Dog Association

Rules Applying to NASDA ONLINE TITLES



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Lost Item Online Titles

This is a special titling opportunity in the face of quarantine during the current COVID-19 pandemic. The North American Sport Dog Association (NASDA) supports social distancing best practices, but also recognizes people's desire to continue their performance training and titles with their dogs. As such, NASDA is offering a limited time video submission titling opportunity with items available in the home.

Rules

All rules applying to standard NASDA events apply to online submissions. See the NASDA Master Handbook for breakdown of deductions and rules.

Video Requirements

Train at your own pace, and video when you feel prepared. After you have a video of what you feel to be a passing run, upload the clip to Youtube or Vimeo. The video should be continuous - ie/ your walkthrough should be followed by the time it takes you to get your dog, and then your run including the final "yes" call and reward time.

All entries require three elements:

1. Course walkthrough - including start line and hide location, as well as distractor locations
2. Hide type - verbal and visual verification, can be shown in course walkthrough
3. Run video - including behaviour at the start line

Complete an entry form for each dog. If you are doing multiple entries for the same dog, you can indicate the number of video submissions on a single entry form. Payment by PayPal.

Fee Schedule

New Dog Registration - \$10

Single Entry - \$10

Level I - Level III Title Entry - \$35 (all four video submissions for title made at the same time)

Championship Title Entry - \$60 (all six video submissions for title made at the same time)

Specialist Title Entry - \$40

Re-try for NQ - \$5 (if received within 7 days of the NQ email)

The Item

Handlers will be placing their own hides, and as such the hide is “known”. Items may be scented only with handler odour. The title requires four searches with unique items to be found successfully. One item must be found from each “type”, and then a fourth item of the handlers choosing.

Acceptable Lost Items

Type 1 - Fabric

- Fabric or Leather Wallet
- Hat / Toque
- Gloves
- Purse / Bag
- Sock

Type 2 - Personal

- Key Ring (including at least 3 keys)
- Glasses
- Metal Wallet / Card Holder
- Book
- Water Bottle

Type 3 - Technology

- Camera or Gaming Controller
- Cell Phone
- Tablet / Laptop
- Remote Control
- Handler’s Choice (submit for approval)

Type 4 - Small

- Credit / Debit Card
- Headphones / Earbuds / AirPods
- Single Key
- Small Jewelry Item (watch, ring, etc)
- Handler’s Choice (submit for approval)

The Search Area

There are no trails set for Lost Item searches, however, the search areas must be “well used”.

The search area must be a minimum of 10' X 10', with a clearly marked start line (can indicate on entry form how you have marked it)..

Handlers should, if possible, choose a different search area for each item.

Lost Item Online Level I (LIO-I)

Maximum course time: 2:00

Hides: 1 (known)

Distractors: 0

Course Size: 100-300 square feet

Elevation: up to 24"

Minimum Qualifying Score: 20

Title: Teams earning four qualifying scores will earn the Lost Item Online (LIO-I) title. Teams must earn one Q in each of the three item categories, then a fourth item of the handlers choice. Novel item may not be a repeat of any of the three category items. At least one hide must be elevated.

The Online title may be completed off-lead. The handler must never move within 5 feet of the hide.

Hide Placement: Hides should not be readily visible from the start line. The hide will be placed no closer than five feet from the start and may be partially covered (e.g., in a drawer slightly ajar, under a crate, in a box). The hide may be elevated no higher than 24" from ground level.

Performance: The exercise begins with the handler behind the start line or in the start box and with the dog facing away from the search area.

The handler may use the name of the item, or a simple search cue of their choosing. Time begins when the team crosses the start line, and finishes when the handler makes the completion call of "alert".

The handler may verbally encourage and communicate with the dog provided it does not interfere with the search. Deductions will be taken for handlers who face the hide intentionally, stand near the hide, show the dog the hide, handle in a way which the judge deems is leading the dog to the hide.

The handler shall not guide the dog to the source. The dog must actively work the scent pool and locate the item independently.

Dogs may be rewarded in the item find area after the handler verifies their success ("alert").

Lost Item Online Level II (LIO-II)

Maximum course time: 2:30

Hides: 1 (known)

Distractors: 0

Course Size: 100-300 square feet

Elevation: up to 36"

Minimum Qualifying Score: 20

Title: Teams earning four qualifying scores will earn the Lost Item Online (LIO-II) title. Teams must earn one Q in each of the three item categories, then a fourth item of the handlers choice. Items must not be the same as the team completed in Level I. At least one search must be elevated.

The Online title may be completed off-lead. The handler must never move within 5 feet of the hide.

Hide Placement: Hides should not be readily visible from the start line. The hide will be placed no closer than five feet from the start and may be partially covered (e.g., in a drawer slightly ajar, under a crate, in a box). The hide may be elevated no higher than 24" from ground level.

Performance: The exercise begins with the handler behind the start line or in the start box and with the dog facing away from the search area.

The handler may use the name of the item, or a simple search cue of their choosing. Time begins when the team crosses the start line, and finishes when the handler makes the completion call of "alert".

The handler may verbally encourage and communicate with the dog provided it does not interfere with the search. Deductions will be taken for handlers who face the hide intentionally, stand near the hide, show the dog the hide, handle in a way which the judge deems is leading the dog to the hide.

The handler shall not guide the dog to the source. The dog must actively work the scent pool and locate the item independently.

Dogs may be rewarded in the item find area after the handler verifies their success ("alert").

Lost Item Online Level III (LIO-III)

Maximum course time: 3:00

Hides: 1 (known)

Distractors: 1 (contained food)

Course Size: 100-300 square feet

Elevation: up to 36"

Minimum Qualifying Score: 20

Title: Teams earning four qualifying scores will earn the Lost Item Online (LIO-III) title. Teams must earn one Q in each of the three item categories, then a fourth item must be from the small category.

Items must not be the same as the team completed in Level I or II. At least one search must be elevated.

The Online title may be completed off-lead. The handler must never move within 5 feet of the hide.

Hide Placement: Hides should not be readily visible from the start line. The hide will be placed no closer than five feet from the start and may be partially covered (e.g., in a drawer slightly ajar, under a crate, in a box). The hide may be elevated no higher than 24" from ground level.

Performance: The exercise begins with the handler behind the start line or in the start box and with the dog facing away from the search area.

The handler may use the name of the item, or a simple search cue of their choosing. Time begins when the team crosses the start line, and finishes when the handler makes the completion call of "alert".

The handler may verbally encourage and communicate with the dog provided it does not interfere with the search. Deductions will be taken for handlers who face the hide intentionally, stand near the hide, show the dog the hide, handle in a way which the judge deems is leading the dog to the hide.

The handler shall not guide the dog to the source. The dog must actively work the scent pool and locate the item independently.

Dogs may be rewarded in the item find area after the handler verifies their success ("alert").

Lost Item Online Master Champion (MLIOCH)

Maximum course time: 3:00

Hides: 1 (known)

Distractors: 2 (1 contained food, 1 toy)

Course Size: 100-300 square feet

Elevation: up to 48"

Minimum Qualifying Score: 20

Title: Teams with 20 qualifying scores earn the Lost Item Online (MLIOCH) title. Teams must earn one Q in the remaining items on the approved item lists (8 items).

At least one search must be elevated.

The Online title may be completed off-lead. The handler must never move within 5 feet of the hide.

Lost Item Online Specialist (LIO-S)

Maximum course time: 2:00

Minimum Qualifying Score: 20

Novel Locations: 10

The Lost Item Online Specialist title is an endurance-style challenge to test the dogs versatility and commitment to handler odour. There are four specialist titles:

Lost Item Online Specialist Fabric (LIO-SF)

Lost Item Online Specialist Technology (LIO-ST)

Lost Item Online Specialist Personal (LIO-SP)

Lost Item Online Specialist Small (LIO-SS)

Lost Item Online Specialist Helper (LIO-SH)

Lost Item Specialist titles require 10 qualifying scores - 2 qualifying runs in each challenge listed below using items from that title's category of search items (ie/ each Fabric Specialist item will be taken from the Fabric list). Each search must be completed in a new/novel search area. You may **not** utilize videos submitted for individual level titles, but you **may** use the same items for multiple search challenges.

Challenge	Elevated	Multi	Distraction	Large Area	Creative
Hides	1	2	1	1	Up to you!
Space	100-300 sq ft	100-300 sq ft	100-300 sq ft	500-700 sq ft	Up to you!
Distractors	0	0	3	0	Up to you!
Elevation	At least 36"	Up to 48"	Up to 48"	Up to 48"	Up to you!

Lost Item Online Specialist Helper (LIO-SH)

Lost Item Specialist Helper titles require 10 qualifying scores - 2 qualifying runs in each challenge listed below. For the Helper title, the dog must retrieve the item within easy reaching distance of the handler. The dog need not deliver the item to hand. Teams must retrieve at least one item from each of the following categories: Fabric, Technology, Personal, Small. No item may be used twice.

Challenge	Exterior	Multi	Distraction	Large Area	Creative
Hides	1	2	1	1	Up to you!
Space	100-300 sq ft	100-300 sq ft	100-300 sq ft	500-700 sq ft	Up to you!
Distractors	0	0	3	0	Up to you!