

CARO RALLY TRIAL

AT



NOVEMBER 4 & 5, 2023

4 Novice, 4 Advanced, 4 Excellent

2 Novice Team & 2 Advanced Team

Same day move-ups permitted!

CARO sanctioned rally trial

T23-074 & T23-075

Opening date

September 22, 2023

Closing date

October 27, 2023, or until trial is full

Judges

Nicole Wiebe & Kate Zinggl

Fees

\$28.00 per N/A/E round

\$14.00 per Team or FEO round

Weekend packages:

5 N/A/E rounds for \$130.00

3 N/A/E & 2 Team rounds for \$100.00

TRIAL DETAILS

Venue location

[Free Spirit Dogs](#): #103, 2321 9th Street, Nisku, AB

Trial chair

Jessica Cohen

Trial secretary

Lindsey Parkin

Questions?

team@freespiritdogs.com

Permission has been granted by the Canadian Association of Rally Obedience (CARO) to hold this event under CARO rules and regulations. For more information on CARO rules and regulations, please visit: www.canadianrallyo.ca

HOW TO ENTER

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Register online **ONLY:** [Click here](#)

A and B Stream

In the Regular category, the Novice and Advanced classes divide handlers into two streams as listed below. A title for the purposes of determining stream is one where the team is evaluated in-person by a judge, and which requires more than one qualifying score.

A Stream is for handlers who:

- Novice – are inexperienced beginners and who have never titled a dog in any sport.
- Advanced – have only earned a CARO Novice title.
- Novice and Advanced – have not instructed dog training classes in any sport.

B Stream is for handlers who:

- already have obtained a title in any sport with any dog
- are professional trainers, instructors, or assistants.

C Stream

A dedicated Championship stream, or C stream, is used when a dog is competing for the titles of Bronze, Silver, Gold, Master Champion, and Supreme Championship titles.

- C stream qualifying scores are earned in the Advanced through Versatility Excellent classes.
- Dogs must have achieved the regular stream title for a class before being eligible to begin earning C stream qualifying scores in that class.

For Exhibition Only (FEO)

Teams may enter trials without competing for practice purposes. This is referred to as For Exhibition Only (FEO).

Once you have submitted an entry form, you will receive an email confirming your entry. **A final confirmation email with additional venue and trial information will be sent ON or BEFORE October 31, 2023.**

SCHEDULE

Timeline for Saturday and Sunday

- Building opens at 8:00 am
- Briefing and first walk through at 8:40 am
- Judging begins at 9:00 am
- Lunch determined at judges' discretion

	Saturday	Sunday
Novice A/B	Kate Kate	Nicole Nicole
Novice Team	Nicole	Kate
Advanced A/B	Nicole Kate	Kate Nicole
Advanced Team	Kate	Nicole
Excellent A/B	Nicole Kate	Kate Nicole

Further scheduling details will be included in the final confirmation email sent ON or BEFORE October 31.

WHAT TO EXPECT

Trial Site Information

- The show site is indoors on specialized foam agility matting.

- The main ring will be covered in visual barriers to support dogs that have big feelings

Directions

- Integrity Dogsport Centre by Free Spirit Dogs is located in the far northeast end of Nisku.
- Detailed directions including an exact location pin and various maps outlining the location will be sent in confirmation email.
- There will also be roadside signage directing you to the building and designated parking areas.

Benching

- Indoor benching is available for dogs who can bench **quietly** inside.
- Facility crates are available for rent, or you may bring your own.
- If benching near the ring is hard for your dog, there is ample parking right in front of the building for easy access to benching from your car.

Spectating and Social Area

- There is a designated viewing area near the ring entrance and exits. **Please bring your own chair for this area.**

Course Maps

- Course maps will only be released when the building opens at 8:00 am. Paper copies will be posted in the spectating/social area. Digital downloads will also be available to all participants.

Warm-up Area

- A warm-up area, including a jump, will be provided for all exhibitors in a fenced-off area.

Venue Rules

Treatment of animals and humans

- **Our facility promotes kind and fair treatment of animals and humans alike.** The following behaviour will NOT be tolerated: Harsh or over the top verbal scolding of dogs for the purpose of punishment, physical corrections of any kind, use of aversive devices on site including e-collars or vibration collars, prong or pinch collars. Any event attendees doing so will be dismissed immediately without refund.
- Appropriate and safe use of no-pull harnesses, face haltis, and slip leads IS permitted so long as it is used in a way that is safe and respectful to the animal.

Exhibitors' responsibilities

- **Dogs are to be ON-LEASH and UNDER CONTROL** at all times unless in the ring or the designated warm-up area.

- Exhibitors are responsible for cleaning up after their dog(s). Any exhibitor failing to do so may be excused without the benefit of refund if the Trial Committee deems the exhibitor to be in violation of this requirement.

Withdrawing from trial/refund policy

- **Refunds will only be issued in the event of an injured dog.** In this case a vet note must be provided. Please note, all refunds are subject to a \$15 administrative fee.

NICE TO KNOW

Food

- Nisku options (within a 5-minute drive of the facility) fast food restaurants including McDonald's, Tim Hortons, and Quiznos.
- Beaumont options (within a 10-15 minute drive of the facility) various fast food restaurants, as well as sit-down restaurants and grocery stores
- Skip the Dishes and UberEats is available to deliver to our location

Accommodations

- There are a variety of hotels located in Nisku, Leduc, and Edmonton that are very close to Integrity Dogsport Centre and offer pet-friendly rooms.

A few options include:

- [Coast Nisku Inn & Conference Centre](#), 1101 4th Street, Nisku
- [Wyndham Garden Edmonton Airport](#), 8016 Sparrow Drive, Leduc
- [Super 8 by Wyndham Edmonton International Airport](#), 8004 Sparrow Crescent, Leduc
- [Sandman Signature Edmonton South](#), 10111 Ellerslie Rd SW, Edmonton

Local Emergency Vet Clinics

- **Gateway Veterinary Centre**, 4213 Calgary Trail NW, Edmonton, Open 10am-8pm Saturdays & Sundays
- **Pulse Veterinary Specialists & Emergency**, #320, 450 Ordze Road, Sherwood Park, Open 24 Hours

GENERAL WAIVER

I (we) agree that FREE SPIRIT DOGS (the hosting club) has the right to refuse this entry for any cause, which the organizing committee alone shall deem to be sufficient. In consideration of

the acceptance of this entry, of the holding of the event, and of the opportunity to have the dog participate and/or to be judged, I (we) agree to hold the organizing committee, the hosting club, the CARO Canadian Association of Rally Obedience, including their members, officers, directors, agents and employees, sponsors of the event, and owners of the premises upon which the event is held and their employees, harmless from any claim for loss or injury that may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person or thing by the act of this dog while in or upon the event premises or grounds or near any entrance thereto, and I (we) personally assume all responsibility and liability for any such claim.

I (we) further agree to hold the aforementioned parties harmless from any claim for loss of this dog by disappearance, theft, death or otherwise, and from any claim for damage or injury to the dog, whether such loss, disappearance, appearance, theft, damage, or injury be caused or alleged to be caused by the negligence of the parties aforementioned, or by the negligence of any other person, or any other cause or causes.

I (we) hereby assume the sole responsibility for and agree to indemnify and save the aforementioned parties harmless from any and all loss and expense (including legal fees) by reason of the liability imposed by law upon any of the aforementioned parties for damage because of bodily injuries, including death resulting at any time therefore, sustained by any person or persons, including myself (ourselves), or on account of damage to property arising out of or in consequence of my (our) participation in this event, howsoever such injuries, death, or damage to property may be caused, and whether or not the same may have been caused or may have been alleged to have been caused by negligence of the aforementioned parties or any of their employees or agents or any other persons.

ABUSE TOWARDS JUDGES

An officiating judge, and/or the Chairperson of a trial, may dismiss from the trial site any person subjecting the judge or members of the organizing committee to abuse, whether that person is competing in the trial or not.

I (we) further acknowledge that I (we) have read, understand, and will abide by the Official CARO Rules and Regulations of the Canadian Association of Rally Obedience and the provisions for entry as set forth in the Rally Test Schedule of which this entry form is a part. I (we) acknowledge and represent that the information supplied by me (us) herein is correct to the best of my (our) knowledge; if any portion of this information is found to be invalid or insufficient to establish the validity of my (our) entry, such finding shall render my (our) entry invalid in its entirety, for which there shall be no refund of fees paid.

Further, I (we) represent that I am (we are) the owner(s) of the dog listed hereon, or that I (we) am (are) a family member of the dog's owner as stated and allowed in the CARO Rally rules, and that I (we) shall hold the hosting club and CARO, including their officers, directors, employees and agents and their sponsors, harmless from any liability or claim made by dog's owner.

Further, I (we) hereby grant to CARO, their representatives, agents, and assigns, all rights and permissions to broadcast, telecast, cablecast, transmission, or distribution in any format or media now known or hereafter to become known.

I (we) hereby release CARO, the hosting club, their representatives, agents, and assigns from any claim or cause of action for invasion of the rights of privacy, right of personality, or any similar right. All video, broadcast, and telecast rights for this event are the exclusive property of the trial host(s).

You will be prompted to sign this waiver before submitting your online registration.