



Canine Certification Evaluation Live Find Memphis, TN

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The due date for completed applications is November 30, 2020. Applications should be signed and submitted by email to SDF Program Manager Kate Horwick at: kate@searchdogfoundation.org.

Applications will only be approved once completed in full, with task force approval, and after confirmation of your status on the task force. There are six (6) spots available each day for each test and spots will be reserved in the order in which applications are received. Applicants will be notified by email if they have secured a spot.

SDF has prepared the attached logistics letter for this course with registration and hotel details. Task Force Representatives are asked to coordinate this information as appropriate with their Task Force Training Managers.

Questions regarding this evaluation may be directed to Evaluators: Deborah Burnett (TN-TF1) at yappindogs@gmail.com; or Teresa MacPherson (VA-TF1) at mactsar28@gmail.com; or Scott Mateyaschuk (NY-TF1) at scott.mateyaschuk@nypd.org.

System members on state and federal teams seeking to be shadow evaluators for this event must first obtain permission from their Program Manager and then contact Kate Horwick for a Shadow Evaluator Application. Shadow Evaluator spots are limited.

Registration fee for Certification Evaluation: \$250.

Test Site: 4399 O K Robertson Road, Memphis, TN 38127

Transportation to and from the airport, hotel and test site are the responsibility of the participant.

Airport:

Lodging: Lodging and transportation are the responsibility of the canine team and their task force. The Hampton Inn & Suites Millington is the recommended lodging location, details below. No block of rooms has been reserved.

[Hampton Inn & Suites Millington](#)

8838 US Highway 51 North, Millington, TN 38053

(901) 872-4435

Handlers are required to wear appropriate PPE in order to participate on rubble and are responsible for bringing their own portable canine kennel.



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Once completed, submit this form to SDF Program Manager, Kate Horwick, at kate@searchdogfoundation.org.

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| CHECK TESTS THAT APPLY: | <input type="checkbox"/> Type I/CE – Memphis, TN – Saturday, December 5 or Sunday, December 6, 2020 | |
| Recert: <input type="checkbox"/> Yes <input type="checkbox"/> No | Number of prior attempts: | Date of Type II/FSA-LF: |
| Applicant's Personal Information | | |
| Name: | | Task Force: |
| Address: | | |
| City: | State: | Zip: |
| Phone: | Email: | |
| Emergency Contact: | Emergency Contact Phone: | |
| Canine Information | | |
| Name: | | Breed: |
| DOB: | | |
| My canine and I are physically sound and under no restrictions. I understand and accept that the decisions of the evaluators are final. I understand that though FEMA evaluators are being used, this is not an official FEMA Certification Evaluation, and that the results of this exercise will not result in FEMA Certification. I affirm that I have read, understand and will abide by the FEMA/US&R Code of Conduct and understand that violation of said rules and Code of Conduct may result in loss of certifications, loss of evaluator status and/or referral to the appropriate authorities. I further affirm that I understand that abuse of the canine is not permitted at any time. | | |
| Applicant Signature: | | Date: |
| Task Force Approval | | |
| Task Force Title: | | |
| Name: | | |
| Signature: | | |
| Date: | | |
| Email: | | |
| Phone: | | |