



NEFCRC Field Training 2026

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Training sessions are for NEFCRC and YGRC members.

ATTENTION BEGINNERS! Please come and join us. We are rolling out the welcome mat to novice field handlers and dogs. If you have not participated before in NEFCRC or YGRC field training, come join us! Experienced dogs and handlers as well as Novices are welcome.

Day	Date	Location	Trainer	Notes
Saturday	April 25	West Thompson, CT	TBD	
Sunday	July 12	Nod Brook, Simsbury, CT	TBD	
Saturday	August 1	Buck Shope's Property, Templeton, MA	TBD	
Saturday	August 8	Buck Shope's Property, Templeton, MA	TBD	
Saturday	October 3	West Thompson, CT	WC / WCX with Yankee Golden Retriever Club	Stay Tuned for Premium

All sessions run from **9:00 AM to 3:00 PM**.

DIRECTIONS

**Directions to West Thompson Lake in N. Grosvenordale, CT 06255-9801:
(GPS address - 599 Ravenelle Rd, Thompson, CT)**

From I-395, take Exit 50 to Route 200 East toward West Thompson; at West Thompson center, turn right onto Route 193 South. Just past the Firehouse, turn right on Ravenelle Road. Entrance gate is immediately on right. Close gate behind you. Gate must remain closed. Follow FCR signs to the training site. *Please* obey posted speed limit.

From I-84, take Exit 47 to Route 74 East towards Willington; turn left on Route 44 East; after Putnam, turn left onto Route 12 North; turn left on Route 193 South; Just past the Firehouse, turn right on Ravenelle Rd. Entrance gate is immediately on the right. Close gate behind you. Gate must remain closed. Follow FCR signs to the training site. *Please* obey posted speed limit.

Directions to Nod Brook Wildlife Management Area (*GPS address* - 86 Hopmeadow St, Simsbury CT)

It is 1.5 miles north on Routes 10 & 202 from its intersection with Route 44 in Avon CT. Entrance is from the Tower Business Park driveway.

Coming from the south, the entrance is on the right just past the Simsbury town line.

Coming from the north, the entrance is on the left just past Dunkin Donuts & Cumberland Farms. Turn in between the brick walls at a traffic light. After you stop at the bike path crossing the Tower Business Park driveway, turn right and follow the road to the hunt test grounds.

From the east, west and south, the easiest route is to take the Route 4 Farmington exit off I-84. Go West on Route 4 to Farmington Center. Turn right on Route 10 (north). Follow Route 10 as it meets and takes a left turn with Route 44 and then meets and takes a right turn off 44 with Route 202 at Avon Center. We do not recommend taking Route 44 through Hartford.

From the north, there are two ways. You can pick up Route 10 in Westfield Mass (Exit 3 off I-90 (Mass Pike) - Route 10/202 is hard to follow through Westfield, watch signs carefully and follow it south into CT and through Granby and Simsbury. Or you can take I-91 Exit 40 (Bradley Airport exit) and follow Route 20 to Granby center where it intersects with Route 10/202. Turn left at Granby center to head south on Route 10/202 toward Simsbury.

If you are traveling west on I-84 from Boston or Rhode Island, take I-291 (exit 61). Follow I-291 to Route 218 (exit 1) At end of exit turn left on Route 218 and continue (through several traffic lights) until you reach Route 185. Turn right and drive to Route 10/202 and turn left. The Tower Park entrance to Nod Brook will be approximately 1 mile down on your left.

Directions to Buck Shope's Property, Templeton, MA:

- Travel West on Rte. 2
- Take **Exit 83** to merge onto MA-101 S/MA-2A W, taking a **RIGHT** off the ramp, toward E. Templeton
- Go about a ½ mile then turn **LEFT** onto Partridgeville Rd.
- At the 4 way intersection/stop sign, stay **STRAIGHT** onto Pail Factory Rd.

- Pail Factory Rd is a long windy road. There will be a few intersections, so watch the street signs, staying on Pail Factory Rd. (dead end road).
- **Look for the big goose decoy on a stump on the right, enter there.** Proceed down the dirt driveway **SLOWLY**

GENERAL GUIDELINES

1. Beginning in 2025 all attendees must sign in on the 'FCRSA General Release and Indemnity Agreement' per our sponsoring national club.
 - a. The Coordinator for the day will have the form
2. Bring plenty of water for you and your dog.
3. Summer sessions can get very hot. Make sure you provide shade and fresh air for your dog, moving the crate or car as shade shifts, if necessary. Have a good system to keep your dogs cool and comfortable while waiting for their turn to run. Dogs must be securely crated, tied-out, or in a well-ventilated vehicle while not working or in line to work.
4. Air your dogs on lead quickly and quietly away from other dogs. Please consider bringing your dogs well exercised to the training sessions, as they will be better focused.
5. Please wear or bring a white shirt. A white shirt assists the dogs as they learn to mark the falls.
6. Please bring or wear waterproof boots to training sessions.
7. Please bring a whistle and duck call. Bumpers, guns, and ammo will be available.
- 8. Be ready to help with throwing and shooting (blanks). Willingness is paramount; instruction will be provided as necessary!**
9. Don't forget a lunch for yourself.
10. Please remember that line manners start at the tall end of the lead.
11. Please ask if you are unsure as to what to do.
12. Always make newcomers feel welcome.
13. We hope you will have a good time and enjoy the day – and by all means enjoy your dog!

Please be sure to **drive slowly and carefully while on training grounds**. These grounds and those who share them with us are to be respected at ALL times. Please adjust your speed so that you are well under posted speed limits. If no limits are posted, then please proceed slowly and be aware that others –including pedestrians, children, and dogs -- may be in the area.

Questions should be directed to:

Sally Young: killyglass@gmail.com or 802-324-3292

NEFCRC FIELD TRAINING REGISTRATION FORM

Please complete this form and send with check (payable to NEFCRC)

Payment by PayPal is available for a \$2 fee for up to 3 dogs. Fee is \$3 for 4 or more dogs.

We welcome NEFCRC or YGRC members. Non-members may be invited as a guest one time by a member in good standing of either club.

Registration and payment must be received at least 1 week prior to the event.

Dates with extremely low registration may be cancelled.

Send registration and payment to: Lisa Foley, 156 Randall Ave, Warwick, RI 02889

Please **circle** level training for each dog by call name

Dog #1 _____	Novice	WC/JH	WCX	SH	MH
Dog #2 _____	Novice	WC/JH	WCX	SH	MH
Dog #3 _____	Novice	WC/JH	WCX	SH	MH

Name: _____ **I am a Novice field handler**

Address: _____

Phone: _____ Email: _____

Please enter dogs and payment for dates you are attending. Daily registration fees are **\$15** for the first dog and **\$5** for each additional dog.

\$2 PayPal fee up to 3 dogs, **\$3** for 4 or more dogs.

If paying via PayPal please copy link into your browser: paypal.me/nefcrc

Please pre-register at least one week in advance of each training date. Better yet, pre-register for multiple dates in advance.

April 25	# Dogs _____		Total \$ _____
June 12	# Dogs _____		Total \$ _____
August 1	# Dogs _____		Total \$ _____
August 8	# Dogs _____		Total \$ _____
			PayPal Fees \$ _____
		TOTAL	\$ _____