

2025 IPWDA K9 Nationals Event Outline and Schedule

TO: All K9 Handlers, Trainers, Evaluators, and Event Participants

FROM: International Police Work Dog Association

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SUBJECT: 2025 IPWDA K9 Nationals – Event Outline and Schedule

Event Overview

We are excited to announce that the 2025 IPWDA K9 Nationals will be held in Fayetteville, North Carolina. This event will bring together K9 teams from across the region for a week of certification testing, advanced classes, and collaborative training.

Certification Testing

Certification testing will be offered in your respective disciplines, giving teams the opportunity to obtain or renew recognized certifications. Testing will be structured and administered by certified evaluators in areas including, but not limited to:

- Narcotics Detection
- Explosives Detection
- Patrol & Apprehension
- Human Remains Detection
- Tracking & Trailing
- Obedience & Agility

Teams must pre-register for certifications and bring all required documentation and equipment.

Training & Classes

Throughout the week, multiple classes will be scheduled each day, allowing attendees to select topics of most interest. Planned sessions include:

- K9 Case Law – Legal updates, court prep, and deployment considerations
- Basic K9 First Aid – Emergency medical care for working dogs
- One-Handed Pistol Shooting – Tactical shooting skills for handlers
- Building Searches – Techniques and safety for real-world scenarios
- Problem-Solving Bitework – Addressing targeting, engagement, and control

These sessions are taught by experienced instructors and are open to all skill levels.

Trainer Support & Problem-Solving

Several Master Trainers and certified K9 Trainers from within our organization will be on-site throughout the event. They will be available for:

- Real-time evaluation and feedback
- One-on-one or small group troubleshooting
- Custom training drills to overcome specific challenges

Whether you're struggling with a training plateau or just looking to refine your skills, trainers will be available to support your team's development.

Additional Information

Location: Fayetteville, NC

Dates: October 3-10, 2025

Hotel Accommodations: Blocks will be reserved at local hotels

Host Hotel: Homewood Suites by Hilton
4028 Legend Ave, Fayetteville, North Carolina

Booking by calling: 910.672.7800
(Reference the IPWDA K9 Nationals Group) or

by clicking on the link:

<https://www.hilton.com/en/attend-my-event/ipwdak9nationals2025/>

Additional Hotel: Holiday Inn Express, Hope Mills
 3111 North Main Street, Hope Mills

Book by clicking on the link:

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Registration: Now Open! – early sign-up is encouraged

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