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Is there really any doubt in people's minds that Scentlogix is the equivalent or better than using "the real stuff" for search dogs? If so, these must be trainers who have never used it. I cannot speak for your explosives products, but I can for your narcotic lines. Here is my story.

I have a narcotics dog that was trained using Scentlogix. She was both POST certified and California Narcotics Canine Association (CNCA) certified on Meth, Cocaine, Ectasy, and Heroin before the age of three. As you are aware the CNCA certification is one of the toughest in the country. Gulia passed it on her first try. It is important to note than Gulia was a totally "green" dog to narcotics.

I want to thank you for your development of this terrific aid. The fact that dogs cannot distinguish it from "real" drugs is proven… but the real beauty of your product lies in the ability to produce outstanding dogs. Here is how.

I keep my Scentlogix in the frig. In the beginning, I used the entire "aid" to imprint the scent. Soon I realized that it was becoming too easy for her. That is when the fun began! I started by placing a few cotton balls in the packet overnight. The next morning, I would hide the cotton ball instead of the "aid". Found.. got it. Then the real life training began:

I always keep a variety of cotton balls, material, etc… imprinted with the scent. I then take these items and wrap them in cellophane, foil, baggies, paper, whatever and use them for hides. This works great for I can have them hid by others and not worry about them. It's as easy as …eating a Big Mac, throwing a cotton ball in the bag.. and tossing it into the dumpster. Suddenly I have a hid with no worries. It's just a big game for my dog, but here are a few ways I use them.

- I take one of your aids, wrap it in cellophane, then foil and ask the gardener to bury it on my property. Next day… or two days later… I do a search. She finds it!

- I wrap a couple of cotton balls up in foil and when I have friends over, I send them home with it. They hid it in their house and I return within the next week to find it. Success!

- She trains at our local university a lot, so I will ask "kids" to throw a few in the garbage cans… I wait for 30 minutes or so… Found!

- Our local neighborhood kids love to try to outsmart her! I will give them packets to hid, in yards, under stones, in planters, garbage cans, bushes, it

turns out to be entertainment for them (and challenging) and great training for Gulia.

- I go to my local "pet superstore". I drop off a foil, cellophane, paper wrapped item and then return later in the day. What a challenge. She searches through dog food, cat food, toys, etc. This is great because the staff loves to watch her search and there are so many distractions! People, pets, it's all there. Yet she finds it!

- This is my favorite! I load various items into a scent wheel. Something like ½ pound fresh coffee into six containers. In one, I hid your aid (wrapped in plastic, then foil). I let it sit overnight. She finds it!

These "real life searches" would be very difficult to do with real drugs. As far as I am concerned, I think that Gulia's training with Scentlogix is the reason she is so good. She cannot tell the difference between your product and the real stuff, but by using Scentlogix she has become a better "seeker" and I a better "handler" because I do not know where the items are hidden. And believe me, it has become a game with many… trying to outsmart the dog! Just so your readers know, I always wear gloves when handling the product and I also hide foil or whatever with material or cotton **without scent** just to keep her honest!

In short, I am a big fan of Scentlogix due to the flexibility it allows me. I am in the process of training an additional dog at this time and he is doing well. I will "test" him on real drugs shortly but I do not expect any problems. My only complaint with your company is your lack of "pharmaceutical scents". Really, how long do I have to wait?

All the best,

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