

American Rescue Dog Association Area Search Certification Evaluation

			Pass: □	Fail: □
Evaluation: Night	□ Long - Multiple	Subject	□ Recei	tification
Date:	Evalu	ıator:		
Handler:	Canir	ne:		
Location:				
Subject (1):	Time Pla	ced:	Time Located: _	
Coordinates: Actual:	Reported	(per handler)	:	
Subject (2):	Time Pla	ced:	Time Located: _	
Coordinates: Actual:			:	
Subject (3):	Time Pla	ced:	Time Located: _	
Coordinates: Actual:		(per handler)	:	
Subject (4):	Time Pla	ced:	Time Located: _	
Coordinates: Actual:			:	
Number of Clues Placed:	Number	of Clues Locat	ed:	
This Evaluation Includes a S	imulated: □ Medical Emer	gency Crin	ne Scene	
Temperature Range:	°° Wind Direction/	Speed:		mph
Conditions: ☐ Clear ☐ Clou	udy □ Fog □ Rain □ Sno	w Humidity:		
Start Time:	_ Finish Time:	Total Tir	me:	_
Distances (feet or meters):	Average Range: Recall/Refind: Bark Alert:	(su	anine to handler) ubject to handler) ubject to handler)	
Comments:				
Evaluator Signature		andler Signatuı	re	

Notes:

- Check the Area Search Standard for the number of subjects to use, based on the problem being evaluated.
- Failure to locate an article(s) placed as a clue does not count against handler or K9.
- Please attach handler's map of search area to the evaluation form.



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Handler: Canine:						
Pass/Fail Criteria						
Handler						
Clothed and equipped for search conditions.	□ Pass □ Fail	11. Looks for clues; marks and communicates any found.	□ Pass □ Fail			
2. Asks questions during briefing to fill in missing information.	□ Pass □ Fail	12. Systematically marks boundaries and alerts.	□ Pass □ Fail			
3. Recognizes conditions (wind, weather, terrain).	□ Pass □ Fail	13. Uses correct communications protocol.	□ Pass □ Fail			
4. Develops/explains search plan based on conditions and briefing.	□ Pass □ Fail	14. Initiates calls as needed to relay pertinent information (to base).	□ Pass □ Fail			
5. Executes search as planned; explains any changes.	□ Pass □ Fail	15. If applicable, takes appropriate actions for medical emergencies.	□ Pass □ Fail □ N/A			
6. Navigates to and in assigned area using map and compass.	□ Pass □ Fail	16. If applicable, takes appropriate actions for crime scenes.	□ Pass □ Fail □ N/A			
7. Gives correct grid coordinates for locations.	□ Pass □ Fail	17. Correctly interprets dog's behavior; reacts accordingly.	□ Pass □ Fail			
8. Records GPS tracks and waypoints.	□ Pass □ Fail	18. Cares for self and dog (hydrate, monitor heat/cold, breaks).	☐ Pass ☐ Fail			
9. Covers assigned area(s) in time limit with no big gaps (unless unsafe).	□ Pass □ Fail	19. Completes hand-drawn maps including pertinent information.	□ Pass □ Fail			
10. Has good working stamina and pace for duration.	□ Pass □ Fail	20. Relates pertinent information at debriefing.	☐ Pass ☐ Fail			
Canine						
Eagerly engages and focuses on task.	□ Pass □ Fail	7. Willingly leaves handler and makes "find" with little help from handler and none from subject.	□ Pass □ Fail			
2. Is not unduly distracted or lose interest.	□ Pass □ Fail	8. Demonstrates its trained indication when it makes the "find".	□ Pass □ Fail			
3. Ranges appropriate to conditions while maintaining contact with handler.	□ Pass □ Fail	9. Reacts favorably to subject; willingly approaches subject.	□ Pass □ Fail			
4. Has good working stamina and pace for duration.	□ Pass □ Fail	10. Does nothing inappropriate (harmful) to subject.	□ Pass □ Fail			
5. Demonstrates long-range detection for conditions.	□ Pass □ Fail	11. Willingly returns to work after making a "find"; focuses on finding another subject.	□ Pass □ Fail			
6. Persists to work scent from point of initial detection to subject.	□ Pass □ Fail	12. Locates the subject within time limit.	□ Pass □ Fail			
Evaluator Initials		Date				



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Additional Comments:	
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