

Call Off

The K-9 team begins the search of an area approximately 100 yards long and 40 yards wide, with a number of places to conceal a decoy. This search can be done on or off lead. At some point during the search, the decoy will come out from hiding at a distance of approximately 40 yards. The decoy will begin jogging away from the K-9 team. At this point the dog will be off lead and will begin to pursue the decoy on his own or with a command from the handler. The handler will remain at the spot the pursuit began. When the decoy observes the pursuit of the dog, he will stop jogging and assume a surrendering posture. The team will respond in one of three ways when the handler observes the decoys surrender.

- 1. <u>Disengage:</u> On command from the handler, the dog will stop the pursuit and remain at the point of termination. The handler will move to the dog and take control.
- 2. **Recall:** On command from the handler, the dog will stop the pursuit and return to the handler.
- 3. <u>Detain:</u> The dog will approach the decoy and detain by holding and barking at a stand, sit or down. No verbal command will be given. The handler will move to the dog and take control.

The test ends when the handler takes control of the dog and is dismissed by the certifying official..

Aggressive contact with the decoy will be considered a failure. Non- aggressive incidental contact is acceptable.

The pursuit must be obvious prior to the handlers command to stop.

The dog will be deployed with only on duty equipment.

The dog may be muzzled, or decoy supplied with a bite suit, concealed sleeve or exposed sleeve.

The test will be judged Pass/Fail and the appropriate box checked for the behavior exhibited.

A passing score will be:

The dog actively searching.

The dog shows obvious pursuit of the decoy.

The dog makes no aggressive contact with the decoy when called off or detaining.