



Patrol Certification

The Colorado Police Canine Association Patrol Certification will consist of five phases. The K-9 team must pass all phases except either the area search or the building search to receive the **Patrol Certificate**. The five phases are:

- ◆ Obedience
- ◆ Criminal apprehension
- ◆ Call off
- ◆ Building search
- ◆ Area search

The K-9 team must pass the obedience phase first before continuing on to the other phases. The certification may be terminated at any time if the Certifying Officials determine the dog is not under control.

Handlers will wear full duty uniform with an unloaded firearm and no ammunition on their person.

Dog will wear only on duty equipment.

If electric collars are worn, the handler will give the transmitter to the officials and the receiver will be turned off.

Certifying officials must be notified of any protest at the conclusion of the certification. If the protest cannot be resolved it must be put in writing and submitted to the chairman of the standards committee within 48 hrs. for resolution.

If the team fails certification, the team must wait 5 days before attempting to certify again.