

Utility Protection Dog (UPD) Standards: Level #2

Obedience - Level #2

Must be done off lead - No prong, choke or electronic collars allowed. Flat nylon or leather collar is permissible.

Two (2) decoys are to be present on field wearing bite suits walking about in a non-aggressive manner while obedience is being tested.

Random obedience pattern - three (3) left turns, three (3) right turns, and two (2) about turns. Pattern is called out by the judge on the field. Slow, normal and fast pace to be interspersed throughout pattern.

Two (2) call through past decoys who are walking around in a non-aggressive manner. When performing the call through, the handler must be at least 75 feet but no more than 100 feet away from the dog.

Handler out of sight stay - with dog on down stay for one (1) minute with two (2) decoys wearing bite suits walking around in a non-aggressive manner. Decoys will not be allowed to touch, talk or make extended eye contact with dog. Decoys will not be allowed to be any closer than ten (10) feet of the dog. Dog is not allowed to break from down stay.

Approachability - handler and dog approach within 5 feet of two (2) decoys who are standing and talking. Handler shakes 1st decoys hand and begins talking, upon shaking hands with the 1st decoy, the 2nd decoy, who is standing next to the 1st decoy, immediately turns and runs away for approx. 25 feet. Dog must stay with handler and not make contact with either decoy.

False start - Two (2) decoys will be five (5) yards away from the handler and dog. The decoys will be yelling and attempting to provoke the dog to engage. Upon a signal from the judge, both decoys will run away from the dog in opposite directions for approximately 5 yards. The dog must not leave the handler's' position. This exercise will be done twice in succession in order for the dog to pass.

Protection phase - Level #2

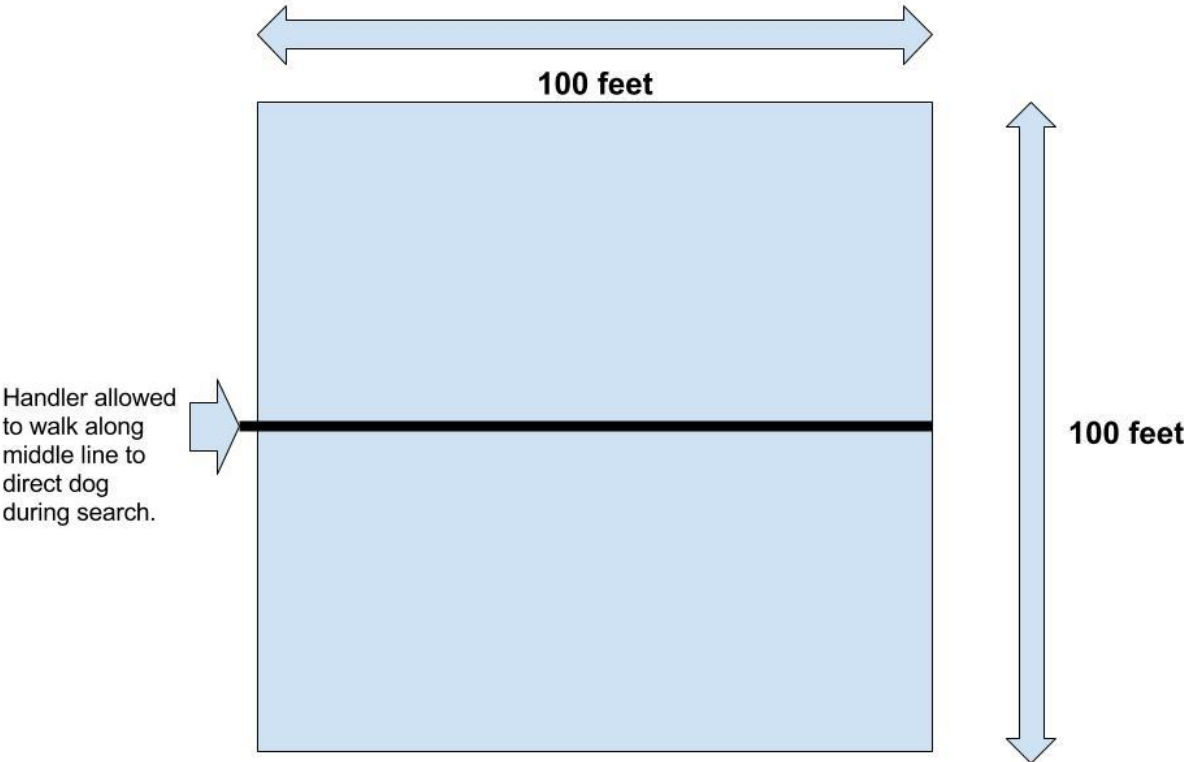
This phase is done off lead with the exception of test #2 - no prong, choke or electronic collars. Flat nylon or leather collars are permissible.

1. Handler and dog stand in the middle of two (2) decoys which are approx. 75 feet apart. The 1st decoy fires two (2) shots from a .38 cal blank gun into the air at which time the handler sends the dog to engage the 1st decoy. Upon the dog engaging the 1st decoy for approx. 20-30 seconds, the 2nd decoy attacks the handler. The dog will then release the 1st decoy upon command from the handler and engage the 2nd decoy for approx. 20- 30 seconds until the judge gives the order to terminate the exercise. Upon receiving a signal from the judge, the handler will "out" the dog. The dog must either stand and guard or return to heel.
2. Decoy is approx. 25 feet from handler and dog. Dog is on a six (6) foot lead in this exercise wearing either a flat nylon or leather type collar. The decoy who is wearing normal clothing begins acting in an aggressive manner and begins walking towards the handler and dog. The dog must immediately without command attempt to keep the decoy away from the handler for a period of 45 seconds. The decoy may not come any closer than eight (8) feet of dog. The dog must not show or fear or apprehension about the decoy.
3. Decoy is standing approx. 75 feet away from the handler. The decoy is carrying either a rolled up piece of foam carpet padding approx. 4 feet in length or a soft bite sleeve. The handler sends the dog to engage the decoy. When the dog is close to engaging the decoy, the decoy presents the object to the dog. The dog if he grabs the object, he must immediately spit it out and engage the decoy for approx. 20- 30 seconds. Upon receiving a signal from the judge, the handler will "out" the dog. The dog must either stand and guard or return to heel.
4. Decoy has shopping cart, i.e., grocery store type, and is approx. 75 feet from K-9. Handler sends dog to engage decoy. The decoy keeps the dog from engaging with the shopping cart for approx. 30 seconds. Dog must stay with decoy and attempt to engage. Decoy then allows dog to engage for 20-30 seconds. Upon receiving a signal from the judge, the handler will "out" the dog. The handler and the dog shall then escort the decoy approximately fifty (50) feet to a preset location.
5. The handler will be confronted with one (1) of the scenarios from the level #1 scenario list and one (1) of the scenarios from the level #2 scenario list. The scenarios will be picked by the judge on the day of testing.

Lost article search - Level #2: (Simulates handler losing keys and cell phone)

This exercise is done off lead. No prong or electronic collars are allowed. Flat nylon or leather collar is permissible.

Handler throws a set of keys and a cell phone into an area 100 ft. X 100 ft. The article must be at least fifty (50) feet away from each other. Setup time is twenty (20) minutes. Dog has ten (10) minutes to find both articles. Dog is allowed to either indicate upon articles by laying down/sitting or pick up articles and bring to handler.



Lost Article Search -Level #2