

Canine Delivery Work

(3 A) Novice Deliver Shore to Swimmer 60 ft

Task Summary:

The dog shall take an article to a swimmer 60 ft. from the shoreline and leave it within arms reach of the swimmer.

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to the starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

A floating object.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft. from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The handler may gently restrain the dog by the harness or the life jacket until the dog is released for the delivery. The handler shall not guide or push the dog forward out of the starter's box. A steward shall swim out about 60 ft. from the shoreline. The dog may take the line from hand or ground, but the transfer must be inside the starter's box. The judge shall immediately stop the task and disqualify the team if the dog climbs on the swimmer. With the handler's approval, the swimmer may communicate with the dog when the dog enters the water.

Task:

- Upon signal from the judge the steward shall enter the water zone.
- The team shall enter the starter's box
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall give the dog the delivery article and send the dog to the swimmer.
- The dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, enter the water, go directly to the swimmer, release the article within arms reach of the swimmer, and return to the starter's box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 B) Deliver 100 ft Shore to Swimmer

Task Summary:

The dog shall take an article from shore to a swimmer 100 ft. from the shoreline and deliver it to the swimmer's hand.

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to the starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline. A kick board or lounge-type float.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article. A swimmer shall swim out about 100 ft. from the shoreline. The swimmer may use a kick board or other lounge-type float during this task. The judge shall immediately stop the task if the dog climbs on the swimmer. The Handler shall remain in the box during the test.

Task:

- Upon signal of the judge the steward shall enter the water zone.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall hand the dog the delivery article and send the dog to the swimmer.
- The dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, enter the water, go directly to the swimmer, release the article to the swimmer's hand, and return to the starter's box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 C) Directed Delivery Shore to Designated Swimmer

Task Summary:

The dog shall deliver an article to a designated swimmer, from among three swimmers.

Time limit:

2 min. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft. from and parallel to the shoreline. Three kick boards or lounge-type floats.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article to be delivered and which of the three swimmers, "left", "center" or "right" shall be the dog's target. Swimmers may paddle out on a kick board or a lounge-type float. Two stewards shall paddle to the 60 ft. distance and shall remain a minimum of 50 ft. apart. The third swimmer shall take up a position in the middle of the other two swimmers and shall be about 20 ft. closer to the shoreline. The swimmers shall form a "V" point pattern in the water. The judge shall immediately disqualified the team and stop the task if the dog climbs on the swimmer. The dog shall complete the course as directed and may not approach within three feet of a non designated target. The handler shall remain in the starter's box during the task.

Task:

- Upon signal from the judge the swimmers shall assume their place in the water zone.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- The judge shall designate the target swimmer.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall give the dog the delivery article and direct the dog to the designated swimmer.
- The dog shall grasp the article by mouth, immediately enter the water, go directly to the designated swimmer, release the article into the swimmer's hand, return to the starter's box and enter the box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 D) Shore Directed Delivery between Swimmers

Task Summary:

The dog shall swim to a designated swimmer, accept an article from the swimmer, then deliver that article to another swimmer at least 50 ft. away and return to the starter's box.

Time limit:

4 min. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft. from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article to be delivered and which of the two swimmers, "left", or "right" shall be the dog's first target. The article shall go with the first target swimmer. The swimmer shall avoid drawing the dog's attention with the article until the dog is within six feet. Swimmers shall swim out to the 60 ft line and may use a kick board or a lounge-type float. Swimmers shall remain a minimum of 50 ft. apart. The judge shall immediately disqualified the team and stop the task if the dog climbs on the swimmer. The dog may not approach within three feet of the non designated swimmer. The handler shall remain in the starter's box during the task.

Task:

- Upon signal from the judge the swimmers shall assume their place in the water zone.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- The judge shall designate the first target swimmer.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall direct the dog to the designated swimmer.
- The dog shall immediately enter the water, go directly to the designated swimmer, grasp the article by mouth from the swimmer's hand, swim to the second swimmer, release the article in that swimmer's hand, return to the starter's box and enter the box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 E) Shore Directed Delivery Between Boat and Swimmer

Task Summary:

The dog shall swim to a boat, accept a long line from the boater, take the line to a swimmer at least 50 ft. away and return to the starter's box.

Time limit:

3 min. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

100 ft long line.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft. from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The article shall go with the boater. The Swimmer shall swim out to the 60 ft. line and may use a kick board or a lounge-type float. The swimmer shall remain at least 50 ft. from the boat. The judge shall immediately disqualified the team and stop the task if the dog climbs on the swimmer. The dog shall continuously circle or loop around the swimmer until the swimmer has hold of the line. The boater shall feed out the long line as the dog travels to the swimmer. The dog shall complete the course as directed and may not approach within three feet of a non designated target.

Task:

- Upon signal from the judge the boater and swimmer shall assume their place in the water zone.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall direct the dog to the boat.
- The dog shall immediately enter the water, go directly to the stern of the boat, grasp the line by mouth from the boater's hand, swim to the swimmer, circle the swimmer until the swimmer grasps the line, release the article, return to the starter's box and enter the box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 F) Deliver Long Line shore to Boater

Task Summary:

The dog shall take a long line 60 ft. from shore to the stern of a boat, release the line to the steward's hand and return to the starter's box.

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog into the water and shall end when the judge has observed the delivery and the dog has returned to shore.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

100 ft long line.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline. One Row Boat.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

A boater shall row a boat out about 60 ft. from the shoreline. The line shall start in the starter's box and the handler shall feed out the line as the dog swims to the boat. If the line becomes entangled on the dog, the judge may direct a steward to assist the dog. The steward shall accept the line from the dog and shall hold the line until the dog has returned to the starter's box.

Task:

- Upon signal from the judge the steward shall set the boat in the target area.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall give the dog the end of the long line and send the dog to the boat. The handler shall remain in the starter's box.
- The dog shall immediately grasp the line, enter the water, take the line directly to the boat, release the line to the boater's hand, return to the starter's box and enter the box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 G) Deliver Shore to Marked Zone

Task Summary:

The dog shall release an article within a designated target zone in open water

Time limit:

3 min. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Four water markers. The markers shall be the corners of a 10 ft. by 10 ft. square shaped zone in the water. The water box shall be set with the first two markers on the 50 ft. line from the shoreline and the second two markers on the 60 ft. line from the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article to be delivered inside the water box. The dog may only transport the article by mouth, either carrying it or towing it. The article shall be released inside the marked zone. The handler may direct the dog as needed to ensure the article is released inside the marked zone. If at any point the article is not released in the proper area the dog may pick it up and complete the task. The article must be in the zone when released. The judge may allot extra time if the dog has been steadily working against a significant wind or current.

Task:

- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall give the dog the article and direct the dog to the target zone.
- The dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, enter the water, go directly to the target zone, release the article inside the marked zone and return to the starter's box.
- The judge shall signal when the article has been released inside the marked zone.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 H) Deliver Sphere shore to Marked Zone

Task Summary:

The dog shall push a large floating ball within a designated target zone in open water

Time limit:

4 min. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has returned to starter's box.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

A sphere shaped object like a ball of sufficient density and size that the dog cannot grasp or hold the sphere by mouth. The sphere shall float and have no attachments. If the dog is able to hold the sphere by mouth during the task the team shall not qualify.

Site Equipment:

Four water markers. The markers shall be the corners of a 10 ft. by 10 ft. square shaped zone in the water. The water box shall be set with the first two markers on the 50 ft. line from the shoreline and the second two markers on the 60 ft. line from the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The dog may only bump or push the sphere by nose, muzzle or paw. The dog may not carry the ball by mouth. The handler may direct the dog as needed to ensure the article is released inside the marked zone. If at any point the ball is not released in the proper area the dog may be directed to complete the task. The dog shall leave the vicinity of the ball once the ball is delivered inside the zone. The dog shall return to shore. The dog shall not return to shore before the ball is placed inside the zone target, except that if a ball is pushed or drifts ashore, the dog shall be permitted to work the ball back into the water as long as the dog remains working toward that goal. The judge may allot extra time if the dog has been steadily working against a significant wind or current.

Task:

- The Team shall enter the starter's box.
- Upon signal from the judge the steward shall place the ball into the water near the shoreline.
- The handler shall direct the dog to push the ball to the target zone.
- The dog shall immediately enter the water, go directly to ball and begin pushing the ball to the target zone until the ball is inside the marked zone.
- The judge shall signal when the ball is inside the marked zone.
- The dog shall leave the ball inside the zone and return to the starter's box.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 I) Deliver 60 ft from Sea to Starter Box

Task Summary:

The team begins in the water at the 60 ft line. The dog shall take an article from the handler, deliver it in the starter box and return to the handler.

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has crossed the 60 ft line and returned to handler.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article. The handler shall remain on the waterward side of the 60 ft line once the team has reached the 60 ft line and until the dog has completed the task. The dog must remain under the direction of the handler during the task and may only be sent for the delivery from the waterward side of the 60 ft line. The judge may observe this task from shore or from between shore and the 100 ft line.

Task:

- The Team shall enter the starter's box with the article.
- Upon signal from the judge the team shall travel to the 60 ft line and ready themselves on the waterward side of the 60 ft water line.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall hand the dog the article and send the dog to the starter box.
- Upon signal from the handler the dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, go directly to shore, enter the starter box, release the article inside the starter's box and return to the handler.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 J) Deliver 100 ft from Sea to Shore Steward

Task Summary:

The team shall begin in the water at the 100 ft line. The dog shall take an article from the handler and swim to shore, enter the starter box and deliver the article to the steward's hand and return to the handler

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has crossed the 60 ft line and returned to the handler.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline. One or Two markers set at 100 ft from the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article. Upon signal from the judge, steward shall enter the starter box. The handler shall remain on the waterward side of the 100 ft line once the team has reached the 100 ft line and until the dog has completed the task. The dog must remain under the direction of the handler during the task and may only be sent for the delivery from the waterward side of the 100 ft line. The steward may communicate with the dog when the dog is within 6 ft of the steward.

Task:

- The Team shall enter the starter's box with the article.
- Upon signal from the judge the team shall travel to the 100 ft line and ready themselves on the waterward side of the 100 ft water line.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall hand the dog the delivery article and send the dog to the shore steward.
- Upon signal from the handler the dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, go directly to shore, enter the starter box, release the article to the steward's hand and return to the handler.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3K) Directed Delivery from Sea to Designated Shore Steward

Task Summary:

The team begins in the water at the 60 ft line. The dog shall take an article from the handler, deliver it to a designated steward, ignoring the second steward and return to the handler.

Time limit:

2 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the dog has crossed the 60 ft line and returned to handler.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

Three significantly different (size, weight, shape) floating toys, water articles or other objects.

Site Equipment:

Two markers set at about 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article. The handler shall remain on the waterward side of the 60 ft line once the team has reached the 60 ft line and until the dog has completed the task. The dog must remain under the direction of the handler during the task and may only be sent for the delivery from the waterward side of the 60 ft line. The two stewards shall take up positions on a parallel line with starter box, parallel with the shoreline and approximately ten feet away from the exterior of the starter box. The stewards shall remain approximately 26 feet apart until the dog has delivered the article. The designated steward may communicate with the dog when the dog is within 6 ft of the steward.

Task:

- Upon signal of the judge the steward shall enter the water zone.
- The Team shall enter the starter's box with the article.
- Upon signal from the judge the team shall travel to the 60 ft line and ready themselves on the waterward side of the 60 ft water line.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall hand the dog the article and send the dog to the starter box.
- Upon signal from the handler the dog shall immediately grasp the article by mouth, go directly to shore, enter the starter box, release the article inside the starter's box and return to the handler.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.

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(3 L) Single 60 by 60 Sea Delivery to Swimmer.

Task Summary:

The team shall begin at the 60 ft line in the water. The dog shall deliver an article to a swimmer from a point 60 ft away and on a parallel with the 60 ft line and deliver it to the swimmer's hand.

Time limit:

3 minutes. Timing shall begin when the handler sends the dog and shall end when the judge has observed the dog's delivery and the dog has returned to the handler.

Time Requirements: None

Team Equipment:

A Tow Line.

Site Equipment:

Two markers, placed at or about 60 ft apart and 60 ft out from and parallel to the shoreline.

Classification of Standards: None

Prescripts:

The judge shall indicate the article to be retrieved. A steward shall be in a position a minimum of 60 ft away from the team and 60 ft from and parallel to the shoreline. The handler shall remain on the exterior side of the perpendicular line between shore to the 60 ft line and a minimum of 60 ft from shore until the dog has completed the task. The dog must remain under the direction of the handler during the task and may only be sent for the delivery from the exterior side of the perpendicular line between the shore and the 60 ft water line. The judge may observe this task from shore or from between shore and the 60 ft line.

Task:

- The team shall enter the starters box
- Upon signal from the judge the team shall travel to the 60 ft line and ready themselves on the exterior side of the perpendicular line between shore and the 60 ft water line (Marker).
- Upon signal from the judge the steward shall travel to the opposite side of the team, a minimum of 60 ft away and a minimum of 60 ft from the shoreline.
- Upon signal from the judge the handler shall cue the dog to deliver the article to the swimmer.
- Upon signal from the handler the dog shall immediately take the article from the handler's hand and go directly to the swimmer with the article, release the article into the swimmer's hand and return to the handler.
- The judge shall signal the end of the task.