

Cadaver Detector Dog Certification Scenarios

Successful performance in the following scenarios are considered important for the seasoned/veteran Cadaver Detector Dog. The following scenarios represent common types of deployments.

1. **Gravesite Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate two (2) separate partial cadavers which have been buried separately in a field/forest search area approximately 800 square yards. A diversion will also be placed within the search area.



2. **Airplane Crash Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate two (2) separate partial cadavers which have been hidden in a field/forest search area approximately 800 square yards. One (1) of these shall be placed about six (6) feet above ground level. One (1) of these shall be placed directly on the ground and, for this search, the Dog will be muzzled.



3. **Submerged Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate one (1) partial cadaver which has been sunk/buried just below the water line in a body of water or along the bank. The exercise shall be started at least 200 yards downstream. A diversion shall also be placed within the search area.



4. **Landfill/Dump Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate two (2) partial cadavers of different quantities which have been buried in a garbage dump search area approximately 400 square yards.



5. **Building Blood Stain Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate one (1) bloodstain in a room which has been sealed shut for a period of three (3) days. The bloodstain shall have been wiped with a cloth such that it is not visible to the naked eye.



6. **Sewer / Compost Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate one (1) partial cadaver which has been hidden in a search area such as a sewer, sewage facility, or compost pile.



7. **Vehicle Blood Stain Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate one (1) bloodstain in an automobile. The bloodstain shall have been in the vehicle for three (3) days. The bloodstain shall have been wiped with a cloth such that it is not visible to the naked eye. A diversion shall also be placed in the search area.



8. **Clothing Blood Stain Scenario.** The Handler shall deploy the Dog in a scenario which has been prepared to examine the Dog's ability to locate one (1) bloodstain on one (1) piece of clothing which has been placed in one (1) of six (6) piles of human clothing. A diversion shall also be placed in the search area.



An assessment of the skills developed and also a certification of competency may follow subsequent to a formal training course for the dog. Should any agency or officer choose, by policy or practice, not to deploy a Cadaver Dog in one of the above scenarios, the assessment may be pro-rated accordingly.

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Dog Sherlock Breed Dutch Shepherd Dog Whelped 14 February 2009
 (whelping date is required for computer records, if unknown enter "best guess" date)

Handler John Doe DOB N/A SSN N/A

Department Any Police Department

Full Address 1234 Any Street, Any City, ST XXXXX

Phone #'s: Work XXX-XXX-XXXX FAX XXX-XXX-XXXX Cell XXX-XXX-XXXX

Total Exam grade points 64 / 27 Overall Exam rating of 2.38 Typical (C)

Total Indication points 23 / 11 = Indication rating of 2.10 Typical (C)

Total Searching points 21 / 8 = Searching rating of 2.63 Typical (C)

Total Handler points 20 / 8 = Handler rating of 2.50 Typical (C)

Judge(s) Name of Judge #1, Name of Judge #2, Name of Judge #3, Name of Judge #4

Explanation Evaluation Criteria

- Superior Performance.....Flawless and exemplary.....Letter Grade (A)
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- Typical Performance.....Comparable to veteran Cadaver Dog.....Letter Grade (C)
- Suitable Performance.....Consistent with deployment needs.....Letter Grade (D)
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Grading Curve

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Dog Sherlock Handler John Doe Dept Any PD Date 14 Feb 2012

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1.	Locate/Indicate two separate partial-cadavers buried in an 800 square yard field/forest site. A diversion will also be placed within the search area.	
	Searching Skill <u>3</u>	
	Indication #1 <u>2</u>	<u>Slight hesitation, then immediate & steadfast</u>
	Indication #2 <u>2</u>	<u>Immediate, then sporadic glancing back at Handler</u>
	Diversion <u>Pass</u> Fail	<u>Dead rabbit</u>
	Handler Skill <u>3</u>	
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #1</u>
2.	Locate/Indicate two separate partial-cadavers placed in an 800 square yard field/forest site. One part shall be placed about 6' above ground. The other part shall be at ground level but not visible (muzzle worn for ground level search).	
	Searching Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Focused & Methodical, slower pace would be optimal</u>
	Indication #1 <u>3</u>	
	Indication #2 <u>1</u>	<u>Stood on hind legs and stared at target for 15 secs</u>
	Handler Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Slowed K-9 down very efficiently, no stress induced</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #2</u>
3.	Locate/Indicate one partial cadaver sunk/buried just below the water line in water or along the bank. A diversion will also be placed within the search area.	
	Searching Skill <u>4</u>	<u>Exhibit more focus and intensity, yet successful</u>
	Indication #1 <u>2</u>	<u>Bit at water twice, then sat steadfast & stared</u>
	Diversion <u>Pass</u> Fail	<u>Dead waterfowl partially submerged on shore</u>
	Handler Skill <u>1</u>	<u>Extremely efficient keeping K-9 on-task</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #3</u>
4.	Locate/Indicate two (2) separate partial-cadavers buried in a landfill or garbage dump of at least 400 square yard size.	
	Searching Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Commendable focused navigation throughout the rubbish</u>
	Indication #1 <u>3</u>	
	Indication #2 <u>4</u>	<u>Appr. 20 secs hesitation before steadfast down/stare</u>
	Handler Skill <u>4</u>	<u>Remain calm/quiet while K-9 pinpoints</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #4</u>
5.	Locate/Indicate one bloodstain in a room sealed for at least three days. The stain shall not be visible to the naked eye.	
	Searching Skill <u>1</u>	<u>Focused/disciplined/methodical/closed-mouth</u>
	Indication #1 <u>1</u>	<u>Immediate & steadfast sit with intense stare</u>
	Handler Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Notably skillful search pattern</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #1</u>
6.	Locate/Indicate one partial-cadaver hidden in a sewer, sewage, or compost pile.	
	Searching Skill <u>3</u>	
	Indication #1 <u>3</u>	
	Handler Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Commendably agile in mucky conditions</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #2</u>
7.	Locate/Indicate one bloodstain in an automobile. The stain shall be in the vehicle for at least three days and shall not be visible to the naked eye. A diversion will also be placed within the vehicle.	
	Searching Skill <u>2</u>	<u>Focused/intense/methodical ext/int, especially trunk</u>
	Indication #1 <u>1</u>	<u>Immediate/steadfast stare at carpet floor in trunk</u>
	Diversion <u>Pass</u> Fail	<u>Fresh hamburger in wrapper under driver seat</u>
	Handler Skill <u>3</u>	<u>Stumbled at rear of vehicle w/o startling K-9</u>
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #3</u>
8.	Locate/Indicate one bloodstain on one piece of clothing which has been placed in one of six piles of human clothing. A diversion will also be placed within the area.	
	Searching Skill <u>4</u>	<u>Exhibit less rummaging, more finesse</u>
	Indication #1 <u>1</u>	<u>Almost spontaneous sit with fixated stare</u>
	Diversion <u>Pass</u> Fail	<u>Fresh human spittle</u>
	Handler Skill <u>3</u>	
	Name/Agency of Judge	<u>Judge #4</u>

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 Indication #1 _____
 Indication #2 _____
 Diversion Pass Fail _____ Type of Diversion _____
 Handler Skill _____ Comments (if any) _____
 Name/Agency of Judge _____

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 Indication #2 _____
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 Name/Agency of Judge _____

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 Indication #1 _____
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 Indication #1 _____ Odor #1 _____
 Diversion Pass Fail _____ Type of Diversion _____
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