

Team has successfully completed all elements of this assessment:			🗆 No	
Date:	Assessor:			
Handler:	Canine:			
Team Affiliation:				

CRITERIA					
	Pass	Fail	Comments		
1. Tunnel					
2. Unpleasant Surface					
3. Plank					
4. Unstable Surface					
5. Open Stairs					
6. High Jump					
7. Swim					

COMMENTS

SIGNATURE

Assessor

Date

American Rescue Dog Association: Agility Assessment

CRITERIA

- 1. **Tunnel** A dark, narrow tunnel/passageway containing at least one right angle turn. The dog must not be able to see through the tunnel to the end. Partial covering of the exit is permitted. The dog must be able to fit into the tunnel without crawling.
- 2. Unpleasant Surface A surface that is unpleasant for the dog to walk on (e.g., grating, aluminum siding/roofing, tile floor, etc.). The surface should be at least 6 feet long and 2 feet wide.
- 3. Plank A stable plank, 8 to 12 feet long, no less than 10 inches wide which is at least 2 feet and no more than 4 feet off the ground.
- 4. Unstable Surface The surface can be a mix of obstacles but must wobble under the dog when walked on. The surface will be no more than 4 feet off the ground.
- 5. Open Stairs A flight of at least 8 open stairs such as those found on a wooden deck, fire escape, etc. The dog must climb and go down the stairs. The dog can either be on-lead or off and the handler can walk with the dog but may not precede the dog.
- 6. High Jump The canine is to jump to a stable platform of a height between 24 and 30 inches.
- 7. Swim The canine is to swim for a distance of at least 30 feet in calm water.

GUIDELINES

- 1. The dog will work off-lead on all elements with the exception of the open stairs, which may be worked on-lead or off-lead.
- 2. All agility elements must be successfully completed on the same day with the exception of the swimming element that may be done at another time and place.
- 3. The handler must not precede the dog on the obstacle nor teach the obstacle during the assessment.
- 4. Not including the swimming element which may be tested separately, a failure of more than one element will require that the team re-take the entire assessment. If the team fails only one element, that element may be reassessed within three (3) months. If the element is failed a second time or three (3) months elapse without successful completion of the assessment, the assessment must be retaken in its entirety.