7. The Long-Down

Halt at the designated Start Point in the "Basic Position".

Upon a signal from the judge, "Down" the dog and move at least 30 paces away.

When the other handler finishes Exercise 6, the Judge will signal you to return to your dog.

Go around your dog and halt next to the dog. Call the dog into a "sit" to complete the "Basic Position.

Attach the lead. Proceed to the Judge to "Report-Out" if you had completed the Obedience Test. Otherwise go directly to the Start Point of the Obedience Test.

Dogs work in pairs. While one dog does the "Long-Down" (±10 minutes), the other dog does the Obedience.

Important Notes

The "sit" is very important. The dog has to "sit" 13 times during the test.

Bonding between handler and dog is important. A dog that runs off the field to avoid the handler is disqualified.

Praise the dog at the end of each exercise.

It is difficult to train the "sit front" in the Recall. However, the dog is not significantly penalised if it returns directly to the side of the handler to complete the exercise.

If the dog is in the "sit" or "down" position, avoid eye contact as this may cause the dog to break the position.

A light 1m lead that could easily fit into a pocket is recommended for the test.

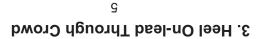
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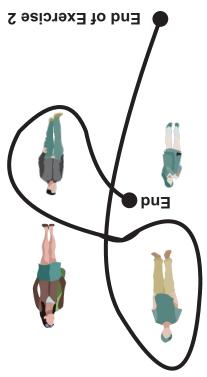
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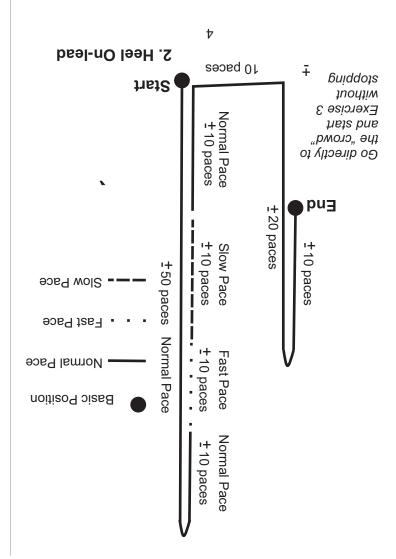
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- Normal Pace

Basic Position



The BH consists of two parts:

- · An Obedience Test done individually and
- · A Traffic Test done in a group

The dog must be able to:

- · Walk at heel "on-lead" with turns,
- · Walk at heel "off-lead" in a straight line,
- "Sit"
- "Down" for 10 minutes, and
- Come to the handler when called ("Recall")

The Obedience Test

Every exercise starts and ends in the "Basic Position": the dog sits next to the handler with its feet in line with the handler's toes (as seen on the cover).

Every "Basic Position" should be held for <u>at least</u> three seconds before proceeding.

Dogs work in pairs. Handlers may decide amongst themselves who does the "Long Down" first while the other does the Obedience.

The lead is held in the left hand when the dog is "on-lead" and put in a pocket when "off-lead".

Choke chains must be locked on "dead choke".

In the "Recall" the dog should come to a sit position in front of the handler ("sit front") and called into the "Basic Position" after a short pause of about three seconds.

All about-turns are left about turns.

A command is permitted at each change of pace.

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End Handler turns to face dog Waits 3 seconds "Recall" paces Finish in Basic Position, dog coming around handler ±10 Halt in Basic Position paces Handler "Downs" dog Proceeds without dog ±10 6. "Down" with "Recall" Start Handler turns to face dog Waits 3 seconds Returns to dog Finish in Basic Position, handler coming around dog End Halt in Basic Position Handler "Sits" dog paces Proceeds without dog 5. "Sit-stay" Start 7

Go to the Start Point, assume the Basic Position and start the test when the Judge signals you to do so. $\ensuremath{\mathrm{a}}$

- the test you are doing, in this case "BH"
 - your dog's name
 - your name

When requested thereto, give

Approach the Judge and assume the "Basic Position"

1. Report-in to the Judge

and a bicycle a with ringing bell.

At no time may a dog react negatively or act aggressively to a stranger or another dog.

The dogs are exposed to traffic, a stranger, another dog

an area out of sight of the dogs.

Only those that pass the Obedience Test participate. Dogs are tied up in a public area and the handlers move to

The Traffic Test

- 8. Report-out
- 7. "Long-Down" while another dog does the Obedience
 - Down", move away from the dog and "Recall"
 - 5. "Sit-stay" with handler moving away from the dog
 - Heel off-lead
 - 3. Figure-of-eight "Heel on-lead" through a crowd
 - 2. Heel on-lead

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1. Report-in to the Judge

The 8 components of the Obedience Test are:

