SECTION I: Handler Information

1. Handler’s name: Last ___________________________ First ___________________________ MI ___________________________

2. Handler’s Social Security Number: ___________________________

3. Employing Agency: ___________________________

4. Contact Phone Number: ___________________________

5. Employing Agency Address: ___________________________


SECTION II: INSTRUCTIONS

Evaluator Requirements. The performance evaluation shall be administered by two Commission-approved canine team evaluators. A maximum of two evaluator applicants are allowed to participate during the examination.

- A Commission-approved canine evaluator conducting the initial training of a canine team shall not participate in the initial certification of that team.
- One of the Commission-approved canine evaluators shall not be affiliated with the employing agency of the canine team being examined for certification.
- A Commission-approved canine evaluator shall not administer a performance evaluation to a canine assigned as the evaluator’s work partner.
- A canine team evaluator applicant is a Commission-certified canine team instructor requesting approval of the Commission and is required to possess the minimum training and experience pursuant to Rule 11B-27.013(7), F.A.C., and shall be documented in a request to Commission staff.

Required documentation. Prior to administering the Canine Team Performance Evaluation form CJSTC-83, an evaluator shall verify the canine team completed the training requirements. It is the responsibility of the employing agency submitting the form CJSTC-70, to provide documentation of training to the Commission-approved evaluator for review and approval prior to conducting a performance evaluation for Commission certification.

- A certificate issued to the canine team by a Commission-certified training school documenting successful completion of the Commission-approved 480-hour Canine Team Training Course number 1198, herein referred to as “Canine Team Training Course”; or
- Documentation of successful completion of an equivalent training course approved by a Commission-approved evaluator. Equivalent training is training that takes place at any criminal justice agency or training facility other than a Commission-certified training school. Equivalent training shall be reviewed and approved by a Commission-approved evaluator. A Commission-approved evaluator shall approve equivalent training that he or she delivered. Equivalent training for a canine team, with a handler who has never been certified, shall comply with the objectives of the Canine Team Training Course. A previously certified handler who was assigned a new canine shall comply with the objectives of the Canine Team Training Course, which excludes the academic block of instruction.

Demonstration of Proficiency. Each canine team shall demonstrate proficiency in the topics of obedience, criminal apprehension, building search, and area search, to comply with the requirements for certification. The canine team proficiency topics are permitted to be administered in random order or concurrently by the evaluator; however, all sections of this form shall be completed. A section for the elective in tracking and trailing is provided.

Control of the canine during the performance evaluation shall only be demonstrated by utilizing voice and hand commands. Equipment worn by the canine during normal daily deployment shall be worn. Electronic devices shall not be activated during the performance evaluation. The handler is allowed to carry a concealed weapon for his or her canine; however, the handler shall only reward the canine at the end of the exercise at the direction of the evaluator. A bite suit, sleeve, or hidden sleeve shall be worn by the decay during the criminal apprehension phase.

Re-examination and Remediation Process. If a canine team fails the performance evaluation, a re-examination is allowed pursuant to Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

- During the initial evaluation the canine team shall test in all topics of the performance evaluation. If a canine team fails to successfully demonstrate proficiency on one specific topic during the initial evaluation, one re-evaluation is permitted to be given for the specific topic during the initial evaluation. The handler shall be allowed to remediate with the canine prior to declaring intent to repeat the specific topic. Remediation is defined as the handler working with the canine to resolve the topic of deficiency. If a canine team fails to complete the specific topic or any additional topics, the canine team shall be deemed to have failed the performance evaluation.
- If a canine team fails to successfully demonstrate proficiency for any topic(s) during the first performance evaluation, the handler shall remediate the canine team in the topic(s). The canine team shall retest after a minimum of 24 hours from the date of the first failure and successfully demonstrate proficiency in the specific failed topic(s) under the supervision of two Commission-approved evaluators. One evaluator shall be an original evaluator involved in the initial proficiency failure. The handler shall provide documentation of the remedial training to the Commission-approved evaluators prior to the administration of the re-evaluation.
- If a canine team fails to successfully demonstrate proficiency in the specific failed topic(s) during the second attempt, the handler shall remediate with the canine team in the specific failed topic outlined in the Canine Team Training Course. The canine team shall retest after a minimum of 30 days from the date of the second failure. The handler shall provide documentation of the remedial training to the Commission-approved evaluators prior to the administration of the re-evaluation. The canine team shall repeat the performance evaluation in its entirety under the supervision of two Commission-approved evaluators. One evaluator shall be an evaluator who was involved in the initial proficiency failure for that canine team.
- A canine team that has failed a third attempt to pass the Canine Team Performance Evaluation shall be deemed to have failed the certification process, and shall complete the Canine Team Training Course or an equivalent course prior to submitting an application for certification. Form CJSTC-83 shall be used to document the third failure of the canine team and submitted by one of the canine team evaluators to the Florida Department of Law Enforcement, Criminal Justice Professionalism Program, Post Office Box 1489, Tallahassee, Florida 32302.
- Copies of all canine team evaluations shall be maintained by the employing agency, the handler, and Commission-approved evaluators.
SECTION III: EXAMINATION

TOPIC I: OBEDIENCE

### HEELING CONTROL

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- The canine shall on command and off lead, heel on the handler’s side until released by the handler.
- The exercise shall consist of three legs, a right turn, a left turn, and a change of pace. Each leg must be between 30 – 50 feet. The handler shall demonstrate control of the canine during all three legs.
- Control shall be obtained by means other than touching the canine. (verbal or hand commands)

**Comments:**

### DISTANCE CONTROL WITH 2 MINUTE STAY

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- The canine shall be placed in a sit, down, or stand no less than 30 feet from the handler.
- The canine shall change position one time and shall be given no more than four hand or voice commands to comply.
- While performing distance control, the canine shall on command, be placed in a sit or down position and remain in it for 2 minutes before being commanded to return to the heel position.

**Comments:**

### SOCIAL EXPOSURE

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- While off lead, the canine shall be put in a sit, down, or heeling position.
- More than one person shall pass by the canine at a distance of six inches to six feet, and the canine shall not break the command.

**Comments:**

### GUNFIRE EXPOSURE

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- While the canine is off lead in a heel, sit, or down position and within 6 feet of the handler, the handler will fire one blank round.
- The canine will remain within 6 feet of the handler and not demonstrate fear or outward aggression.

**Comments:**
RECALL
- The canine will pursue a decoy upon command from the handler.
- At a distance of no less than 50 feet, the handler shall command the canine to disengage the attempt to apprehend the decoy.
- Recall shall be performed while the decoy is fleeing or has fled and becomes stationary.

Comments:

APPREHENSION
- Upon command(s), the canine shall pursue and apprehend a fleeing decoy.
- Using no more than four commands, the canine shall release the bite as commanded by the handler.
- The canine shall be recalled to the handler or remain in a guard position.

Comments:

STRESS UNDER GUNFIRE
- The canine shall pursue and apprehend an armed decoy that is fleeing or has fled and becomes stationary, as agreed upon by the evaluator and the handler prior to the exercise.
- Anytime during the announcement, pursuit, or apprehension, the decoy shall fire a minimum of one blank round.
- The decoy shall ensure that the blank round is not fired in the direction of the handler and the canine.
- Blank ammunition shall be no higher than a .38 half load or below a .22 caliber.
- The canine shall demonstrate commitment to the apprehension.
- Using no more than four commands, the canine shall release the bite as commanded by the handler.

Comments:
SECTION III: EXAMINATION

TOPIC III: BUILDING SEARCH

SEARCH

- The handler shall give a clear, concise, and loud canine announcement to include:
  - Identification
  - Instruction
  - Consequence
- With the canine showing active interest, the canine team shall conduct a search for a hidden decoy in a minimum 5,000 square foot structure, with multiple concealment options, within 10 minutes.
- The handler shall demonstrate the ability to direct a canine during a building search.

Comments:

ALERT

- The canine shall display an obvious physical or vocal alert upon locating the decoy. The handler shall demonstrate the ability to recognize the alert.

Comments:

SECTION III: EXAMINATION

TOPIC IV: AREA SEARCH

SEARCH

- The handler shall give a clear, concise, and loud canine announcement to include:
  - Identification
  - Instruction
  - Consequence
- With the canine showing active interest, the canine team shall conduct an area search for a hidden decoy in an area of no less than one acre within 5 minutes per acre.
- The handler shall demonstrate the ability to direct a canine during an area search.

Comments:

ALERT

- The canine shall display an obvious physical or vocal alert to a decoy, or apprehend a decoy, outdoors. The handler shall demonstrate the ability to recognize the alert.

Comments:
HANDLER NAME: __________________________________________

SECTION III: EXAMINATION

TOPIC V: TRACKING AND TRAILING

TRACKING/TRAILING (Elective)  

This test is designed to determine if the police work dog is capable of tracking and trailing an unknown decoy or article in an unfamiliar area and should closely simulate working situations. Canine teams that fail this proficiency will NOT fail the performance evaluation.

- Before a third party lays the track, the evaluator will inform the handler whether a decoy or a scent article from the decoy will be at the end of the track.
- The handler and dog will be secluded from view of the track while a third party lays the track. When the test begins, the evaluator will inform the handler of the approximate area to begin.
- The track must be a minimum of 100 yards long and have at least two (2) types of surfaces, which are covered (dirt, grass, concrete, asphalt, woods, etc.).
- The track will be at least 15 minutes old prior to beginning the test, and have at least three (3) turns in it.

Comments: ________________________________________________________________

- There will be one (1) fresh cross track laid at least fifteen (15) minutes after the original track is laid.
- The cross track will be laid by a second person to test the dogs scent discrimination.

Optional  

Comments: ________________________________________________________________
SECTION IV ATTESTMENT

HANDLER

☐ I attest this is my first attempt at certification, this calendar year, with the above named canine pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

☐ I attest this is my second attempt at certification and that remedial training for that specific block has occurred after a minimum of 24 hours from the date of the first failure pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

☐ I attest this is my third or subsequent attempt at certification and that remedial training for that specific block has occurred after a minimum of 30 days from the date of the second failure pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

Handler’s Signature: ________________________________

FIRST EVALUATOR

☐ I attest that I administered the Commission-approved Canine Team Performance Evaluation to the above listed canine team on the __________ day of __________ 20__, and the canine team demonstrated proficiency in all the required areas pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

☐ First Attempt

☐ Second Attempt

☐ Third Attempt

☐ I attest that I administered the Commission-approved Canine Team Performance Evaluation to the above listed canine team on the __________ day of __________ 20__, and the canine team DID NOT demonstrate proficiency as indicated in the previous pages pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C. One evaluator will submit this form, reporting the failure to the FDLE.

☐ First Attempt

☐ Second Attempt

☐ Third Attempt

First Evaluator’s Name: ___________________________ Contact Phone Number: ___________________________

Evaluator’s Signature: ___________________________ Evaluator’s Renewal Date: ___________________________

SECOND EVALUATOR

☐ I attest that I administered the Commission-approved Canine Team Performance Evaluation to the above listed canine team on the __________ day of __________ 20__, and the canine team demonstrated proficiency in all the required areas pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C.

☐ First Attempt

☐ Second Attempt

☐ Third Attempt

☐ I attest that I administered the Commission-approved Canine Team Performance Evaluation to the above listed canine team on the __________ day of __________ 20__, and the canine team DID NOT demonstrate proficiency as indicated in the previous pages pursuant with Rule 11B-27.013, F.A.C. One evaluator will submit this form, reporting the failure to the FDLE.

☐ First Attempt

☐ Second Attempt

☐ Third Attempt

Second Evaluator’s Name: ___________________________ Contact Phone Number: ___________________________

Evaluator’s Signature: ___________________________ Evaluator’s Renewal Date: ___________________________

EVALUATOR APPLICANT

Evaluator Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________ Contact Phone Number: ___________________________

☐ Satisfactory ☐ Unsatisfactory

Evaluator Applicant’s Signature: ___________________________ Contact Phone Number: ___________________________

☐ Satisfactory ☐ Unsatisfactory