

# OPERATIONAL MEMBER TEST

---

Prospective Operational Member: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator(s): \_\_\_\_\_ Location: \_\_\_\_\_

Outcome: Pass / Fail / Null

Testing will be done at regularly scheduled practices or other designated time. The location of the helper will be unknown to both the dog handler and testing member. Refer to the appropriate section of the Standards for the test criteria. A copy of this test sheet will be filled out for all tests given. The lead evaluator will provide a copy to the Vice-President and to the prospective Operational member.

A = Exceeds Minimum Expectation    B = Meets Minimum Expectation  
C = Below Minimum Expectation    D = Not Applicable

1. Conduct an appropriate interview of RP or search leader. \_\_\_\_\_
2. Determine location with a map. \_\_\_\_\_
3. Verify location using a compass. \_\_\_\_\_
4. Navigate proficiently. \_\_\_\_\_
5. Understand airscent strategy. \_\_\_\_\_
6. Understand trailing strategy. \_\_\_\_\_
7. Identify proper scent article. \_\_\_\_\_
8. Properly handle and package scent article. \_\_\_\_\_
9. Physical condition. \_\_\_\_\_
10. Ability to give reasonable probability of detection. \_\_\_\_\_
11. Ability to translate field activity onto a base camp map, including the route taken, areas left uncovered, alerts and wind direction. \_\_\_\_\_
12. Proficient with radio communications. \_\_\_\_\_
13. Possesses equipment required of field support. \_\_\_\_\_
14. Demeanor around dog and/or handler. \_\_\_\_\_
15. Tracking ability with trailing dog and clue awareness with air scenting dog. \_\_\_\_\_

Evaluator's Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Comments: