

Arizona Trailing/Tracking K9 Task Book



AZ TRAILING/TRACKING K-9

Level I Level II Level III (circle which level)

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Task Book Assigned To:

Candidate's Name/Unit #: _____

Phone Number: _____

Task Book Initiated By:

Official's Name: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Phone Number: _____

Address: _____

Date Initiated: _____

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ASARCA Task book for the position of: AZ trailing/tracking K-9

Task Book Overview

Arizona Air Scent Certification will be set at the following using three Levels:

- TRAILING/TRACKING Level 1- Variable terrain 8-15 turns, aged 24-26 hours, 1-1.25 miles (scent discrimination)
- TRAILING/TRACKING Level II – Wilderness terrain, 8-15 turns, 1-1.25 miles aged 10-12 hours (scent discrimination/road crossings/cross tracks)
- TRAILING/TRACKING Level III – Wilderness terrain 4-12 turns 1-1.25 miles aged 4-12 hours (scent discrimination/road crossings/cross tracks)

National Certifying Associations will be used such as NASAR, IPWDA and AMPWDA. Their level numbering systems do not match so check accordingly.

Upon completion of this task book, the candidate will be awarded the AZ Tracking/Trailing K-9 status, signifying the training level of the K-9 Team.

Tasks within the Position Task Book (PTB) are numbered sequentially; however, the numbering does NOT indicate the order in which the tasks need to be performed or evaluated.

The bullets under each numbered task are examples or indicators of items or actions related to the task, or minimum requirements for the course to be qualifying to meet standards. The purpose of the bullets is to assist the evaluator in evaluating the candidate, or as a reference for the candidate to adhere to the suggested course standards. The bullets are not all-inclusive. Evaluate and initial ONLY the numbered tasks. DO NOT evaluate and initial each individual bullet.

INSTRUCTIONS FOR THE POSITION TASK BOOK EVALUATION RECORD

Evaluation Record #

Each evaluator/instructor (Coordinator or Designee) will need to generate an evaluation record for each event/incident/training where tasks are being signed off. (Addendum Page also used for continued training and assessment)) The evaluation records should be numbered sequentially. One or more tasks may be signed off by an evaluator/instructor for a given evaluation record and corresponding event/incident/training. ASARCA approved evaluators/instructors only shall complete the next open box on the evaluation record page and write the corresponding record #, date, and location and instructor information in the appropriate columns of the PTB. Only tasks completed in a satisfactory manner will be given an evaluation record and signed off. Those tasks not completed in a satisfactory manner will be referred to the agency coordinator for re-evaluation. (Memo to the coordinator and no sign off until completed)

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Final Evaluators Verification

Upon satisfactory completion of all tasks in the PTB the candidate can submit it to their agency SAR coordinator. The SAR coordinator will then complete the Final Evaluator's Verification page and submit the PTB to the ASARCA Standards Committee.

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Task	Eval Record # / Certificate	Date Completed	Location & Instructor Info
Continuing Education to be Completed:			
1. Successfully complete the AZ SAR Tech II Task Book provided through the ASARCA with documentation			
2. Successfully complete and maintain National Certification through either of the following listed organizations. Certificate must be attached to Task book <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • NASAR – National Association for Search and Rescue • IPWDA –International Police Working Dog Association (SAR Standards) • AMPWDA – American Police Working Dog Association (SAR Standards) • GAK9-Georgia K9 NTC 			
4. Complete a course in canine first aid / carry additional equipment see addendum page of suggested canine 1st aid items			
Evaluation Courses To Demonstrate Skills			
3. Minimum Required Mission Deployment: <ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Respond to three missions requiring field work either as handler or support person • Missions can be cold case searches, training (mock) mission, or actual missions requiring deployment either as handler or support person 			

Notes: Notes: Continuing Maintenance

All re-certification and proficiency assessments must be documented in the Addendum attached to this Task Book

Proficiency assessments

- Successfully demonstrate field readiness through periodic proficiency assessments
- General Guidelines SWGDOG SC2
- SWGDOG SC9 Section 2 and 4 Assessment and maintenance
- Training logs should reflect at least 16 hours of training per month to maintain and improve the proficiency level of the team (individual training and group training) (does not include driving time) SWGDOG SC9 Section 5

Canine Team Assessment must be completed and documented on the Canine Team Assessment Addendum attached to this Task Book. SWDOG Approved Guidelines, SC9 General Guidelines, Section 2, 4 and 5. <https://swgdog.fiu.edu/>

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Verification/Certification of Completed Task Book for the Position of:

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Final Evaluator's Verification

*To be completed **ONLY** when you are recommending the candidate for certification.*

I verify that (candidate name) _____ has successfully performed as a candidate by demonstrating all tasks for the position listed above and should be considered for certification in this position. All tasks are documented with appropriate initials.

Final Evaluator's Signature: _____

Final Evaluator's Printed Name/Unit #: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date: _____

Agency Certification

I certify that (candidate name) _____ has met all requirements for qualification in the above position and that such qualification has been issued.

Certifying Official's Signature: _____

Certifying Official's Printed Name: _____

Title: _____

Agency: _____

Phone Number: _____ Date: _____

Initialed by Final Evaluator

___ 1) The Candidate has successfully performed all tasks in the PTB for the position. I recommend the Candidate be considered for qualification of the position.

___ 2) The Candidate did not complete certain tasks in the PTB in a satisfactory manner and additional training, guidance, or experience is recommended.

___ 3) The individual is severely deficient in the performance of tasks in the PTB for the position and additional training, guidance, or experience is recommended prior to another training assignment.

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Evaluation Record # _____ Evaluator/Instructor Name: _____

Evaluator/Instructor Home Agency: _____

Incident/Event: _____ Date: _____

Notes: _____

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Incident/Event: _____ Date: _____

Notes: _____

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Suggested K-9 First Aid Items

- Emergency Phone Numbers (vet, emergency vet clinic, poison control, etc.)
- Copies Of Medical Records
- Self Cling Bandage (sticks to itself but not fur)
- Gauze (sponges and roll)
- Tape
- Antibiotic Ointment
- Antiseptic Wipes
- Foil Emergency Blanket
- Cotton Balls
- Eye Lubricant (canine eyes become dry when they are unconscious so you may need to moisten them)
- Eye Wash (to clean dirt out of your dog's eyes)
- Hydrogen Peroxide (used to induce vomiting but only when authorized by your vet or poison control)
- Ice Pack
- Muzzle (so your dog doesn't lick/bite any wounds)
- Leash
- Disposable Gloves (non-latex)
- Petroleum Jelly (to lubricate the thermometer)
- Rectal Thermometer (your dog's temperature should be between 100°F and 103°F)
- Scissors (with blunt ends)
- Sterile Saline Solution
- Syringe (to flush any wounds with saline solution)
- Tweezers
- Rehydrate Electrolyte Tablet