

FEMA National US&R Response System
Appendix D: FEMA US&R Foundation Skills Assessment (FSA) Score Sheet

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Date: _____ Name of Canine: _____
 Name of Handler: _____ Type of Canine: (Circle One) LF HRD
 Task Force: _____ Location: _____
 Evaluator (print): _____ Evaluator (signature): _____
 Handler has successfully completed all elements per the FSA: Yes No

Element	Required Skills	C	DNC	Comments				
Ground Rules	Handler followed all ground rules							
Obedience	Human aggression test							
	Canine aggression test							
	Off-lead heeling							
	Emergency stop							
	Long wait							
Indication Alert Time - 5 min	Barks repetitively and stays focused for 30 seconds							
	Stays at the Victim / HR location / bark prop after indication of scent							
	Handler does not communicate with canine after indication of scent							
Direction and Control Time - 3 min	Goes up on elevation							
	Waits on elevation until directed by handler							
Agility Time - 5 min	Must complete five (5) of six (6) obstacles, including the four (4) mandatory obstacles (Ladder, Plank, Tunnel, Wobbly Surface)	Order	Obstacles		K9 Precedes Handler		Stop, Turn On Any Obstacle	
			C	DNC	C	DNC	C	DNC
	* Ladder							
	* Elevated Plank							
	* Tunnel							
	* Wobbly Surface							
	See Saw							
	Slick Surface							
	Crawl							
Moving Plank								
Rubble Test Brief Time - 5 min	Handler scene safety/interview	C	DNC	Interview Items		C	DNC	
	Responsive to handler direction and control			Scene safety?				
Search Time - 15 min	Canine searches independently			Other Questions		Noted		
	Bark indication on two (2) Victims/ HR (no false indications)			Time of collapse?				
	Canine shows commitment to each scent source			Type of occupancy?				
	Informs evaluators of canine's alert/location of each scent source			Suspected missing?				
	Canine indicates independently of handler			Searched before?				
	Demonstrates appropriate canine care/safety/welfare			Structural Eng. Check?				
	Canine agility/ability to negotiate rubble			Findings?				
V1 / HR Time: _____ V2 / HR Time: _____ Total Time: _____			Safe/Entry?					
Human remains testing source legal property of:			Prints?					
Comments: (please use separate sheet for more comments if necessary).			HazMat checked?					
			Findings?					
			Utilities: who/how secured?					
			Gas Elec Water					
			Rescue?					
			Medical?					
			Vet?					