Before briefing begins:

* Introduce yourself.
* Confirm candidates name, canine’s name and discipline to be evaluated.
* Review certification standards for discipline being evaluated.
* Inform candidate of any hazards and safety issues.

**Candidate is required to sign scoresheet before starting evaluation.**

To begin the briefing, the candidate should be asked the following questions:

* How will you work your canine? (on lead/off lead, etc.) \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* How does your canine indicate interest?\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* How does he/she perform trained indication? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* What is your command for your canine to start? \_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_\_
* Handler should communicate to the evaluator your actions and why/how your K9 is working during the evaluation.

Explain the following to the candidate at this time:

* Candidate should immediately tell the certifying officials if the canine exhibits different behavior from the described behavior given to certifying officials prior to the start of the evaluation.
* Time shall start upon the candidate giving the canine its command to start.
* Any false indications by your canine, or that the handler calls, will results in a failure of the evaluation.
* If you allow your canine to work to such a point that, in the opinion of the evaluator(s), the canine’s health is, or is about to be, put in jeopardy, evaluator(s) will stop the evaluation.