

Area search teams shall re-certify every two years by successfully completing a re-certification test according to the re-certification policy.

The test shall be conducted by two SWSD evaluators (both may be area search associate evaluators) and may take place at a training.

Evaluators shall check or verify the following items:

- Log book is current
- CPR & First Aid certifications are current
- Physical Fitness Requirement is current

The handler will develop a search plan, based on the information provided and the existing conditions. The handler will then explain his/her plan to the evaluators. The handler will simulate providing base camp with in-field progress at intervals mandated by the evaluators. The handler shall also inform the evaluators of any significant clues or evidence found.

Parameters

The dog team must search an 80 acre area and locate one subject within 3 hours. Test timing shall commence after the handler has advised the evaluators of the search plan and has deployed the dog.

The subject must be concealed. The handler shall not be able to see the subject from a distance of twenty feet or more.

Handler: _____ **SWSD #:** _____ **Date:** _____

Dog: _____ **Location:** _____

Start Time: _____ **Stop Time:** _____ **Pass:** _____ **Fail:** _____

Log book current _____

CPR _____

Approved first aid course _____

Physical fitness current _____

Evaluator _____ **Evaluator** _____

Subject _____