Items **bolded** below are requirements that must be demonstrated to the Evaluator. Non-bolded items are training steps that may be introduced in class and are helpful for achieving the requirements. All behaviors must have been taught or re-taught to the dog (preferably using a new cue), using only positive reward-based methods.

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|  | **Handler knows and can describe the equipment required for safe participation in this sport** |
|  | **Handler knows proper safety for this sport and exercises caution for the safety of him/herself and others, and his/her own dog and other dogs who may be participating** |
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|  | **Handler can describe how to properly maintain the dog in good condition for the sport** |
|  | **Handler can properly put on and take off a sledding harness** |
|  | **Dog will stand willingness to be harnessed and will wear it without showing any fear** |
|  | Dog does not show fear of the sled |
|  | Dog will pull a tire or other weight without fear |
|  | Dog will pull the sled or wheeled rig while being called by the handler |
|  | **Dog will pull the sled or wheeled rig with the handler onboard** |
|  | **Handler knows the necessary sled dog cues, including ‘gee’, ‘haw’, ‘on-by’, ‘hike’ and ‘whoa’, and knows how to teach these to the dog** |
|  | **Dog will run with other dogs without showing any signs of aggression** |
|  | Dog will pull the sled or wheeled rig without slack in the tug line |
|  | **Dog will pull the sled or wheeled rig 3 miles as a part of a team of dogs (at least one other dog)** |