## **Dog Scouts of America**

## **Activity check-off sheet**

## **Search and Rescue Directional Control 2:**

All behaviors must have been taught or re-taught to the dog (preferably using a new cue), using only positive reward based methods.

Handler understands how to use back chaining to teach multiple targets
Handler understands fading and can fade the use of a visible target and rewards
Handler understands place learning and can describe its usefulness
Handler and dog can perform a random pattern with targets at gradually increasing distances
Dog will go away from handler on cue
Dog will go out in a specified direction up to 75' away
Dog will get up on the target
Dog will sit, stand, or down on the target for at least 5 seconds (preferably till next cue)
Dog will go over when sent in a side direction specified by a hand and/or voice signal
Dog knows a "hup" or "get up" onto a target (chair, table, platform, etc.)
Dog demonstrates an understanding of the "sit", "down", "stay", and "come" cues
Dog can be directed in a random pattern between targets spaced 50 feet apart, demonstrating a "go out" from middle target ("pitcher's mound") to the "2 <sup>nd</sup> base" target, as well as directed from side to side between the middle target and the "1 <sup>st</sup> base" and "3 <sup>rd</sup> base" targets. From the "2 <sup>nd</sup> base" target, the dog would always move to the middle target. Exercise ends with a recall to handler. The distance between P and any base and the handler is 50'.
Dog can respond to a recall cue, go out cue and sit or down cue while performing the targeting exercise. Dog can also do a drop (down) on recall between the targets and/or the handler's position.
Handler and dog can heel (or walk together with dog under control) for about 10' away