



**Dog Scouts of America**  
**Merit Badge Check-Off Sheet**

**Lure Coursing**

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.

- ☐ Handler can get the dog excited about and interested in chasing the bag
- ☐ **Handler must assess the dog's fitness level to determine if he is healthy enough for this sprint event which requires turns that are possibly sharp**
- ☐ **Handler knows the rule of 120 and can calculate it for the current conditions**
- ☐ **Handler can keep the dog contained/restrained until it is his/her to run the course**
- ☐ **Handler demonstrates the ability to both release their dog at the appropriate time and catch the dog at the end of the run**
- ☐ **Dog will perform two separate and successful runs, chasing the lure with intent through the complete course with both right and left turns**