

MASTERS TITLE - Level 6

Location	All exercises done in a public space such as a local park, tennis court, playground, dog park, training facility while classes are in session or people are sharing the space, etc.
+R	One distraction reinforcer. Kept 20 feet (6m) away from dog and trainer unless specified as distraction for an exercise.
Exercise 6-1	Heelwork with seek back and retrieve: Teams will heel a T-Shaped pattern with a minimum distance of 25 feet for each straight section. Teams will demonstrate at least 5 steps of slow pace and fast pace, a right turn, a left turn, an about turn and a halt with a sit within the pattern. Handler will carry an object (example: glove, toy, retrieve object) to start the pattern and it will be dropped anywhere along the top portion of the T pattern. At the end of the pattern the dog should be in the same location and direction as the starting position. The dog will then be sent to retrieve the object with a verbal and/or hand signal. Handler must not move until the the object is delivered to hand. Formal front not required. Cones may be used to mark out the distances.
Exercise 6-2	Stand Stay, drop on recall, front & finish: Handler walks out 25 feet (7.6m) and turns to face dog. Handler pauses 2 seconds and then turns away to walk another 25 feet (7.6m). Handler then cues dog to recall and asks for a drop at approximately the same location the handler paused. Dog finishes in front and then must do a formal left or right finish.
Exercise 6-3	Send out 40 ft. with distractions and recall away from distractions: Place target 40 feet away from dog, place #1 distraction 3 feet past target. Place #2 distraction behind dog. From heel position send dog to target at 40 feet (12m). Additional cue to position at target is allowed. Cue dog to perform one trick ((handler choice) at 40 feet and then stay while handler moves ten feet (3m) either right or left and then recalls dog directly into heel position. Additional heel cue is allowed as dog approaches within 10 feet. Dog may then be released to the food or toy in either location, or the handler may pick up the desired "thing" and play/feed the dog. The remaining distraction must be put away.
Exercise 6-4	Sit stay, directed scent discrimination, directed glove retrieve: The dog will be left on a sit stay and the handler will walk forwards at least 25 feet. Half way between the handler and the dog, will be 4 articles (including one scented) placed 12 feet from the center line on one side and a single glove placed 12 feet from the center line on the other side. After walking 25 ft. the handler will face dog, pause two seconds and then send the dog either left or right to find the correct scent article, which was placed there before the test began. The dog must select the correct article and return directly to front. The handler then takes the article, praises the dog, and returns the dog to the stay spot. This time the dog will be directed in the opposite direction to retrieve the glove. The dog must pick up the glove and come to front position. The handler may pivot so that they are facing the dog on return after each retrieve.
Exercise 6-5	Heeling, send over jump to retrieve, return to moving heel, halt: Handler and dog heel in the direction of a jump - handler sets the appropriate height. at approximately 5 feet back, the handler will cue the dog with a verbal and/or hand signal to take the jump and then will cue the dog with another verbal/signal to pick up a glove that has been placed approximately 10 feet past the jump. As the handler comes in line with the jump and the dog is fetching the glove, the handler will make a right turn and the dog will catch up and fall into heel position. The team will then heel for 10 more steps before a halt. Dog will then release the glove to the handler on cue.
Exercise 6-6	Throw retrieve object, recall, retrieve, front or finish, hold (two variations): Handler starts with dog in heel position and throws an object 15 feet (4.5m) forward. Handler then leaves dog in stay and moves directly behind dog 15 feet (4.5m) (4.5m). There are two variations of this exercise and handler may choose which to execute first and then must reset for the next repetition. (1) Dog is recalled to stationery heel position and then sent to retrieve the object. (2) Dog is cued to retrieve the object while handler stands 15 feet behind. Dog finishes both repetitions either in front position or directly to heel position and must hold retrieve object for two seconds in the final position.