

Newfoundland Schutzhund Club

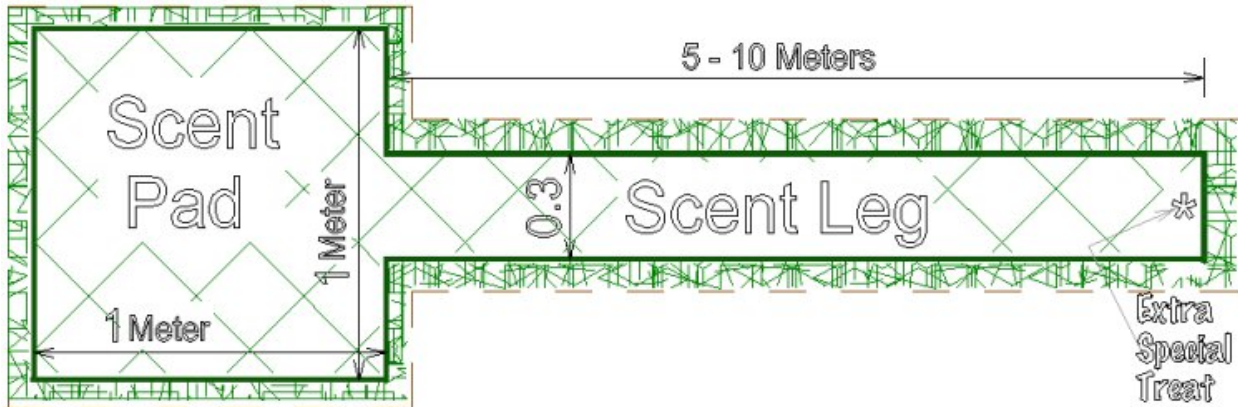


PHASE 2

TRACKING TRAINING PROGRAM - SCHUTZHUND 1

DOG'S NAME - Gildo vom Fuerstentum Kaunitz - Prinz

HANDLER - Rhonda Guay COACH - Jack Parsons



Things to remember....

What is a Scent Pad?

An area in a grassy field where when trampled a noticeable imprint is left.

In the early stages the Scent Pads are usually 1 meter by 1 meter.

In the latter stages the Scent Pads are usually ½ meter by ½ meter.

What is a Scent Leg?

An area in a grassy field where when trampled a noticeable imprint is left and is usually 300mm (1 foot) wide by 5-10 meters long. A Scent Leg is always scuffed.

What is an Extra Special Treat?

Something your dog would really enjoy. I use a ¼ lb. of ground up chicken backs. Some trainers use a ball. It does not matter just as long as your dog really enjoys it.

Training musts: Play with your dog for at least five (5) minutes before approaching the first scent pad, using a ball is best.

While tracking in the scent pad and the scent leg keep the enthusiasm between you and your dog at a very high level. Remember to encourage your dog, track with your dog, praise your dog, you're a team.

When your dog finds that extra special treat, double praise your dog and leave the scent leg area and play with your dog, play ball with your dog, change his focus, get really excited, both of you did good.

Wait 2-3 minutes before proceeding to the next scent pad.

PHASE 2

Phase 2 entails laying 3 scent pads with scent legs 3 times a day for 10 days.

Day 1 - am

Lay 3 scent pads with four (4) pieces of food in each and lay a piece of food every foot along a 5 meter long scent leg, wait for 15-20 minutes.

Bring your dog to the first scent pad with some excitement and give the command to track (German - such), work with your dog, you're a team.

When your dog goes outside the boundary, either in the scent pad or the scent leg, give your dog a correction command (pfui) and a gentle tug to get him back in the scent area and continue tracking, lots of praise for good work.

After your dog finds the extra special treat, double praise your dog and leave the scent leg area and play with your dog, change his focus, get really excited, both of you did good.

After about 2-3 minute or so proceed to the next scent pad.

Do the second and third tracks the same as the first one.

Day 1 - Early Evening

Lay 3 scent pads with four (4) pieces of food in each and lay a piece of food every foot along a 5 meter long scent leg, wait for 15-20 minutes.

Same procedure as you did in the am.

Day 1 - Late Evening

Lay 3 scent pads with four (4) pieces of food in each and lay a piece of food every foot along a 5 meter long scent leg, wait for 15-20 minutes.

Same procedure as you did in the am.

Day 2, 3, 4 and 5

Same as Day 1.

TIPS

Remember to keep your enthusiasm very high, and this will spill over to your dog.

Remember you're a team, and you are the encourager, the cheerleader.

Remember that lots of praise from you will bring lots of joy to you.

Day 6, 7 and 8

Same as Day 1 except for the number of pieces of food in the scent pad to two (2) and lay a piece of food every two (2) feet along a 8 meter long scent leg, wait for 15-20 minutes.

Day 9 and 10

Same as Day 1 except for the number of pieces of food in the scent pad to two (2) and lay a piece of food every two (2) feet along a 10 meter long scent leg, wait for 15-20 minutes.