

## Quick Reference Sheet for the most common but not all actions resulting in a Disqualification (DQ) or Termination (Term)

If at any time in any phase the dog refuses to start an exercise after three (3) commands that phase may be Terminated (Term). Examples are : Will not start tracking a scent pad or anywhere on the track, will not move at heel command, will not move to begin the buildup of an exercise, will not leave the handler to retrieve, will not leave the handler to start blind search, will not move to heel to escape position, will not move at all to heel downfield for “Attack on Dog OUT of Motion” ect.

### Tracking:

If the dog stops working the track, the handler has up to three (3) commands to get the dog to continue to work - Term

Restarts the dog during the track (except 1 time allowed in FH) - **TERM**

If the handler holds / grabs the dog by the collar or body - **DQ**

Training Devices at the tracking field - **DQ**

Motivational objects or food on the tracking field (except in the designated parking area) – **DQ**

Stops working the track or does not complete the track in the allowed time - **Term**

### Obedience:

If the dog leaves the handler and will not return with 3 commands or less - **DQ**

If the dog leaves the trial field “as determined by the judge” - **DQ**

If the dog does not release the dumbbell after three (3) commands. - **DQ**

If the dog is given a “platz / down” command or incorrect command to regain control of the dog. - **DQ**

If the handler holds / grabs the dog by the collar or body - **DQ**

If the dog cannot physically complete an exercise or is unfit/unhealthy – **Term**

If the dog will not begin an exercise (stays in basic position) - **Term**

### Protection:

If the dog leaves the protection field at any time – **DQ**

If the handler calls the dog to him and this stops his forward movement or dog goes to basic position during the blind search - **Term**

If the dog is given a command in order to make the dog stay by the helper - **DQ**

If dog does not release with a maximum of three (3) out commands - **DQ**

If the dog grips any other part of the helper's body other than the protective sleeve – **DQ**

If the handler holds / grabs the dog by the collar or body (except in the Attack on Dog out of Motion” in the watch position (may hold the collar) - **DQ**

If the dog requires more than the allowed number of commands to complete the exercise (i.e. the transports, call out, Outs etc – **Terminated**

In the Blind Search more than three (3) additional commands in total for the exercise will make the exercise Insufficient (M) but as long as the dog is moving and continuing to search the blinds the exercise may continue. If the dog is rerunning the same blinds or running in an out of control type of situation with no attention to the handler and many commands have been used, it is the judges’ decision if and when to Terminate the exercise. -**Terminated**

If handler uses the “platz / down” command at any time (other than Escape setup) - **DQ**

If the handler cannot report in or out (transport) to the judge with his / her dog properly in position with 3 or less commands - **DQ**

If the dog makes no attempt / effort to be directed to the first blind and runs directly to the “find blind (6) - **Terminated**

After being sent unsuccessfully a total of three (3) times to the helper, in the live blind - **Terminated**

If the dog leaves the helper, the handler is allowed only one (1) additional command to resend the dog into the blind. If the dog leaves on his own a second time - **Terminated**

If the dog is gripping the sleeve when the handler is at the call out spot, they may only use the "hier-fuss" command one (1) time to make the dog release and come to heel - **DQ**

If the dog does not come to basic position after three (3) commands for the call out or in IPO1 if the dog cannot be heeled out of the blind with 3 or less commands - **DQ**

If the dog leaves (breaks) the escape position on its own and only guards the helper (no grip), the handler may call the dog back to reposition it, one time (1) - **DQ**

If the dog leaves (breaks) the escape position on its own and grips anything (e.g., sleeve, helper, etc.) - **DQ**

If the dog fails to catch and engage the helper before the helper has reached the twenty (20) pace distance, or fail to remain on the sleeve in the "Attempted Escape of the Helper" or if the dog fails to engage the Helper in any Defense exercise - **Terminated**

During guarding If the dog leaves the helper by more than 3 meters and/or is not actively guarding the helper – **Terminated**

If the handler gives a command so that the dog stays with the helper - **DQ**

If the dog regrips the sleeve as the handler approaches, and the handler is within three (3) meters he / she must continue walking to basic position and tell the dog to "sit". If the dog does not release after the one (1) "sit" command the team will be disqualified. If the handler uses "out" at the basic position the protection work will be **terminated**.

An exercise will be stopped and the team will be disqualified if the dog receives the helping command "platz" / "down" in order to make the dog release the grip. The handler is, at no time, allowed to reinforce the dog with a "platz" / "down" command if the dog outs and downs after the out. **DQ**

If dogs breaks free (or sent) on "Attack on Dog Out of Motion" before the helper has made the turn up field - **DQ**

If the dog makes **ANY** contact with the judge during the protection Work or the dog is strongly attracted to the judge and requires strong helper distraction to get the dogs attention back on the helper - **DQ**