

UpDog Challenge Freestyle Showcase Judges Worksheet: Dog (Level 2)

Dog:	Handler:
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Skill	Description	Score (0-5)
Catch	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog demonstrates the consistent ability to catch discs thrown with different speeds, rotation, and orientation (butterflies, spins, etc.) • Dog demonstrates ability to make adjustments for poorly thrown discs (behind the dog, not in flow, etc.) 	
Collection And Control	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog is attentive to handler and anticipates the next throw, pacing itself for the opportunity to leap for the catch • When disc is placed in a location that could elicit a leap, dog adjusts stride, focuses on the disc, pulls rear feet forward and leaps for the catch. Leaping is appropriate for the dog's size and body type. • Dog exhibits control in the air following a leap or vault (No flailing) • Dog lands safely in stride • Dog can change direction quickly and under control • Dog manages the catching of the disc with awareness of landing, turning, change of speed, etc. 	
Drive	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog maintains focus on the handler and the game of disc (goal of the game is to catch the disc) throughout the entire round • Dog manages prey drive and is not over threshold (Overrunning discs, jumping in air but not attempting to catch disc, not checking in with handler, etc.) 	
Disc Management	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog demonstrates the ability to grip or bite the disc hard enough to catch a rapidly spinning disc and return it • Dog demonstrates a number of releases; returned to handler and released, released away from handler, released in handler's hands (juggle or fish), etc. • Dog demonstrates the ability to hold the disc until a "drop" is cued by the handler 	
Flash	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog possesses "star" quality and/or the "it" factor • Unique behaviors and/or presence exhibited by the dog make it stand out amongst others • Dog's personality/performance evokes entertainment value. It is evident dog is enjoying its job and enjoying the "performance" 	
Tempo	<ul style="list-style-type: none"> • Dog "paces" itself and slows down for enough time to read the situation and react to make a catch, begin flatwork, setup move, etc. • Dog demonstrates the ability to accelerate or decelerate in order to adjust for the placement of a disc 	

Highlights:	Improvement:	Total:	
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