

Virtual Scent Work Testing Criteria

Test Level	Beginner	Intermediate	Experienced
Search Environment	Interior (Examples - living room, kitchen, dining room, bedroom, home office, bonus room)	Exterior (Examples - front yard, back yard, driveway, patio area, terrace, porch)	Combination Interior & Exterior (1 search item of the 3 must be placed in the interior and 1 search item of the 3 must be placed on the exterior)
Search Items	Ball or Toy or Treat	Any two of following items – Ball, Toy, Treat (the two items used must be different for instance you cannot use two balls or two toys or two treats)	All three items – Ball, Toy, Treat
Min/Max Height the Search Item Can Be Placed	Ground	1-2 ft.	2-3 ft.
Maximum Search Time	1.5 min	2.5 min	3 min
Number of Search Areas	1	2	3

Note: Each test conducted in a test level must be unique and not identical. For example: all tests submitted for Beginner cannot have the same tennis ball placed inside the basket by the fireplace for each test by the same dog. Each of the tests per level must be as diverse as possible by mixing up search areas and search items. A record of each test, test item and search area will be kept on file, on each dog's record.