

WATER TRAINING ENCOURAGEMENT EXERCISES

- Basic Control Off lead Heeling, Drop stay and Recall
- Bumper Retrieve Handler throws a bumper/toy, dog to returns item to Handlers hand, shore area
- Kayak Ride Handler and dog to go for 100m minimum ride. Handler to put dog on.
- Retrieve Rope or Toy from boat at 15m Dog returns item to Handlers hand, shore area
- Boat Tow...@ 15m Steward in boat to call dog. Dog to pull boat in with eight foot rope and bumper Boat to be grounded
- Dog to Rescue Handler @ 15m Handler to swim out, Steward to hold dog and direct to Rescue. Rescue complete when dog is walking
- Dog to Retrieve dropped item of choice by handler @15m Steward to drop item and leave area. Handler sends Dog. Dog to return article to handlers hand shore area
- Handler/ Dog or Dog alone rescue alive Person @ 15m Person may call Dog by name or “help me”, “hey dog” etc.
- Dog Deliver Article to Handler @ 10m Steward gives item to Dog to take to Handler, may call dog and direct. Return to Shore area (dry beach)....Handler may be towed back
- Dog Rescues unconscious Handler/Dummy @ 15m Steward if rescuing Handler may send dog. Handler/Steward may help dog when dog is walking
- Controlled swim to life buoy @15m, tow Handler back to shore Dog may tow Handler with lifebuoy or harness/lifejacket.
- Handler/Dog, Finds and Rescue Hidden Steward behind Boat @15m Steward behind boat waits for rescue. Dog pulls in Steward, until walking
- Handler/Dog or Dog, Find rope hanging from boat @ 15m, return to shore Rope hanging off boat, Handler/Dog or Dog alone pull Boat to shore, until grounded
- Multi-tow. Tow handler and two Stewards back to shore, until walking Steward to hold and send Dog, handler may call dog. Stewards hold Handler
- Take a long line around Steward @ 15m Handler to send Dog to Steward, who will call Dog. Dog may go around or deliver rope... Dog return to shore

These exercises have been created to challenge both Dog and Handler in the water with emphasis on fun.

- Dogs less than 9 months may only pull tow rope or article
- Shore is dry land, beach
- Shore area is at below knee depth.....50cm
- Shore line is where the water meets the beach
- Rescue of People complete when dog is walking, dog may return to rescued person
- Safety of dogs is foremost. Please use life jacket or harness for dogs safety. When dog is possibly tired

At no time are you required to do these exercises. It will be your choice to do so.... Keep it fun