

BH – Obedience –short list

NOTE: You should download the full regulations from FCI and become familiar with the IPO regulations.

If this is your first time performing a BH, you will need to take a question and answer test, once this is passed you may continue to the BH Obedience.

Heel with dog on lead to judge and take the basic position. Basic position is dog sitting to your left .

When reporting to the judge, there should be at least 3 feet between your team and the team next to you.

Introduce yourself to the judge say “my name is _____ , dog’s name, reporting for BH Obedience”. The judge will either tell you to start the heeling pattern or go to the long down position.

The judge signals the start to each exercise.

1. Heeling on leash

Use the heel command at basic position to start walking and all changes of pace.

From the start look at the judge to start at the judge’s signal:

- Walk 50-60 paces
- Left about turn
- Normal 10-15 paces
- Fast 10-15 paces
- Slow 10-15 paces
- Normal 10-15 paces
- Right turn 15-20 paces
- Right turn 15-20 paces
- Left about turn 5-10 paces
- Halt, look at judge for cue to continue
- Walk 10 paces
- Left turn at least 15 paces
- Continue heeling toward the group
- Once in group perform a figure 8 – performing a left turn, right turn and halt next to someone in the group. The dog must be between a person in the group and the handler.

- At judge's signal, leave the group for the off leash portion of the exercises.
- Once you leave the group walk about 8-10 paces turn around and face the group dog is next to you in basic position. You may praise the dog. Under the direction of the judge remove the leash. The handler either hangs the leash over their shoulder or puts the leash in their pocket away from the side of the dog.
- Look at the judge for cue to continue, then the handler returns to the group and performs the figure 8 – performing a left turn, right turn and halt next to someone in the group. The dog must be between a person in the group and the handler. At the judge's signal, go and heel to the start line. Once you give your heel command, you can say "thank you group" as you are leaving the group.

2. Heeling off Leash

After leaving the group you are back at the start line, look at the judge to start at the judge's signal:

- Walk 50-60 paces
- Left about turn
- Normal 10-15 paces
- Fast 10-15 paces
- Slow 10-15 paces
- Normal 10-15 paces
- Right turn 15-20 paces
- Right turn 15-20 paces
- Left about turn 5-10 paces
- Halt, look at judge for cue to continue
- Walk 10 paces
- Left turn at least 15 paces
- Return to start line for the out of motion exercises.

3. Sit out of Motion

Wait for the judge's signal to start

- Starting from the start line heel normal 10-15 paces
- The handler assumes the basic position and commands the dog to "SIT"
- Handler then walks another 15 paces turns and faces the dog
- At the judge's direction, the handler returns to the dog and stands to the right side of the dog

4. Down out of Motion with Recall

Wait for the judge's signal to start

- Return to the starting line heel normal 10-15 paces
- The handler assumes the basic position and commands the dog to "DOWN"
- Handler then walks another 30 paces turns and faces the dog
- At the judge's direction, the handler recalls the dog to him.
- The dog returns to the handler quickly and sits close in front of handler
- After 5 seconds command "Heel" and the dog is to finish by returning to the basic position
- Wait 5 seconds and put the leash back on the dog

5. Down under distraction

Wait for the judge's signal to heel with the dog on leash to the designated down location

- Once at designated location, under the direction of the judge remove the leash. The handler either hangs the leash over their shoulder or puts the leash in their pocket away from the side of the dog.
- At the judge's signal the handler downs the dog
- The handler then turns his back to the dog and walks away on a straight line about 30 paces
- At the judge's signal return to the dog
- At the judge's signal sit the dog
- Put the leash back on the dog after 5 seconds and then either heel to starting line to start the heeling patten or report out to the judge.

6. Reporting to the judge

- Heel the dog on leash after the last exercise and assume the basic position.
- Report to the judge, saying your name, dog's name and BH obedience completed