

# **WEST BERKSHIRE GUNDOG CLUB**

## **TIERED TRAINING PROGRAMME LEVEL 2**

### **Level 2 – Control requirements – off lead**

**HEEL:** The handler is required to walk his dog off lead from the start line to the 25 meter sit marker. *(points will be lost for repeated commands or poor positioning of the dog)*

**SIT:** The handler is required to sit the dog at the 25 meter marker with one command, and to return to the start line without the dog. The dog must remain seated for 30 seconds. At the judge's request, the handler will return to collect the dog and walk the dog to heel back to the start line. *(Points will be lost if the dog moves and if further commands are given)*

**RECALL:** The handler will walk the dog to heel to the 25 meter marker and sit the dog. The handler will return to the start line and recall the dog from the start line, using a whistle. The dog must return to the handler directly without delay or excessive commands from the handler and be under control on arrival. *(points will be lost for repeated commands, erratic return or lack of control)*

### **Level 2 – Retrieving requirements – delivery to hand is essential**

**RETRIEVE IN BOX** A single marked retrieve on land within an enclosed area. The dog will need to enter a pen either going under or over the fence, make the retrieve and return to handler. The pen is located approx 20 meters away from the handler.

**MEMORY – Go Back ;** The handler walks the dog at heel from the start line to the 25 meter point. The handler drops the dummy, which the dog marks and walks the dog at heel to the 10 meter marker and sits the dog. The handler returns to the start line, leaving the dog in a sit. The handler then directs the dog to "go back" and make the retrieve.

**SPLIT –** The dog will be placed with his back against a fence or similar, with the handler approx 3 meters away, facing the dog. Two dummies will be thrown one either side of the dog at a distance of 20 meters. The dog will be instructed to retrieve the first thrown dummy with a hand signal by the handler. Once the dog has made the first retrieve and been placed back in the original sit position, the handler will retrieve the last thrown dummy themselves and pass it to the judge.

**Directional ( Triangle )** The handler walks the dog to the left hand point of a triangle 15 paces and places a dummy on the ground , then walks another 15 paces to the right sits the dog and then returns to the start point , a left hand signal is given to the dog and the fetch command , the dog is expected to make the retrieve and return straight to the handler .

### **Level 2 – Hunting requirements (HPR and Spaniels)**

The dog is expected to move away from the handler and hunt the ground with purpose, style and pace and to be prompt on the turn whistle and it sit instantly on the stop whistle while hunting.

**Retrievers** will be walked to heel and sent into an area of light cover, approx 3 meters away from the handler and instructed to hunt for a blind retrieve. The dog to demonstrate the ability to hunt an area of fall away from the handler.