

GET INVOLVED: WILDLIFE RANGER K9 CHALLENGE 2023

Take the K9 Challenge for Public Participants!

Once you're ready to take on the Challenge yourself, share your experience and challenge time with us on social media with #ForK9WildlifeRangers. Prizes are available for the quickest challenge time and the pair highly commended by the judges. Please see terms and conditions below for details.

The Challenge – Step By Step

You can get involved in the challenge with your canine companion anywhere you like. A local park or green space is a good start, you'll need a space of at least 60 metres squared.

You'll also need a timing device. You have 10 minutes to complete the challenge, the goal is to complete it in as short a time as possible.

Preparation

Step 1: Mark a starting line, then mark a second line 50m away from the starting line in a straight direction, mark another line 10 metres past your second line – this should be 60m from your original starting line. These will be your physical parameters.

Step 2: Have your dog on or off lead and ready to go. Begin the challenge with a 10 second "paws up" warm-up stretch. The clock will begin after this stretch is complete.

The Challenge Begins

Step 3: Begin the timer. With your dog in a heel, run 50m to start your challenge at the first station. Place your dog in a sit stay or down stay at the 50m marker. Step away from your dog to the marker that is 10 m past your 50m and complete 20 star jumps. Return to your dog and release them from their stay. Reward your dog.

If during any point of this exercise your dog releases itself, you must return to your dog and have the dog return to the stationary position, then move back to the marker and continue the star jumps. Once you and your dog have completed this station you are ready for the next.

Step 4: With your dog in a heel, run another 50 metres back to the starting point. Complete 3 figure of 8s with your dog weaving between your legs.

Step 5: After the figure of 8s, begin the next round by once again starting with a paws up stretch for at least 10 seconds.

Complete 3 rounds of all five steps as quickly and as safely as you can! The time for these 3 rounds will be your challenge time. You have 10 minutes to complete the challenge. If the challenge is not complete within the 10 minutes, your score would be 10 min.

Challenge Complete!

Remember to share your results with us on social media with #ForK9WildlifeRangers. You can share a video or a series of stills with a clear view of your timepiece.

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Terms and Conditions – Wildlife Ranger K9 Challenge, Public Participants

Participation in the Wildlife Ranger K9 Challenge is open to any individual. The challenge requires participants to record and submit a video or still images of them and their dog completing the challenge according to the activity rules posted on the Wildlife Ranger Challenge website. To enter, share your results on social media with #ForK9WildlifeRangers.

You can share a video or a series of stills with a clear view of your timepiece. The Challenge is open for entry until 00.01 BST on 17th September 2023.

The challenge aims to recognize hard work, enthusiasm, and commitment. Therefore, the prizes will be awarded as follows:

The two participants with the fastest challenge times.

Two participants selected by the judges based on their demonstrated hard work, enthusiasm, and commitment.

Each winner will receive a Le Chameau dog blanket and portable dog bowl. Prizes are non-transferable, and the winners will be announced on the Wildlife Ranger Challenge website. By participating in the challenge, participants grant permission for their challenge videos and fundraising achievements to be shared on the website, Tusk's social media channels and associated non-commercial promotional materials.

While every precaution will be taken to ensure participant safety, the challenge organisers are not liable for any injuries or damages incurred during the challenge. The organisers reserve the right to modify or cancel aspects of the challenge and these terms and conditions at any time. By participating in the Wildlife Ranger Canine Challenge, participants acknowledge that they have read, understood, and agreed to abide by these terms and conditions.



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