



Placing Scent Articles and Gloves in the Utility class

a cheat sheet for obedience stewards

Scent articles

- Follow the judge's instructions about where to place the scent articles in the ring — about 20' from the handler with about 6" spacing, arranged randomly.
- Lightly touch the center bar of each of the articles as you put them down.
- Judge will place the two articles that have the handler's scent.
- At the end of the exercise, put the articles back in the bag, and leave it where the handler can pick it up on the way out. If possible, keep the articles with the handler's scent separate from the others.

Gloves

- **AKC or ASCA:** Wait till the dog is facing away from where you'll put the gloves.
UKC: Dog gets to watch the articles being dropped.
 - **AKC or ASCA:** Drop each glove about 3 feet from the gates (see below).
UKC: Drop the gloves at first base, second base, and third base.
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- Follow the judge's instructions about where to stand during the exercise — somewhere out of the way and out of the line of sight of the dog.
 - At the end of the exercise, put the gloves with the handler's scent article bag, usually just outside the ring.