

Advanced

RATS! Canada

GO TO GROUND

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The Objective

Your dog must crawl through a manmade tunnel to find a rat. The rat is in a protective cage and will not be harmed.

The Rules

- You will release your dog one foot from the tunnel entrance. Your dog may enter and exit the tunnel twice until they find the rat.
- You should remain where you released your dog into the tunnel.
- Upon finding the rat, the dog must "mark" the find for 40 seconds continuously, by barking, snapping, licking, etc.

Faults

You can be disqualified for pushing your dog into the tunnel, the dog must enter willingly.

Elimination occurs when your dog does not find the rat within 32 seconds, or leaves the tunnel before the 40 seconds of marking the rat are over.





A Qualifying Run (Q)

A qualifying run occurs when the judge has deemed that your dog has found the rat by scent, within 32 seconds, and marked the rat for 40 seconds without pause.



To achieve your advanced title (AGTG) in Go To Ground, you must have obtained your novice title, and successfully complete four qualifying runs at the advanced level.

The Liner (tunnel)

The liner/tunnel is 10" wide and 10" high, and 16 feet long.

The ring will contain:

- ★one tunnel with two 90 degree turns; and
- ★one rat.



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For complete rules go to http://www.ratscanada.com