



Excellent

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GO TO GROUND

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### The Objective

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

### The Rules

- ☀️ You will release your dog five feet from the tunnel entrance. Your dog may NOT exit and re-enter the tunnel 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 60 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 48 seconds, or leaves the tunnel before the 60 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 48 seconds, and marked the rat for 60 seconds without pause.

### The Liner (tunnel)

The liner/tunnel is 10" wide and 10" high, and 48 feet long. The ring will contain:

- ★ one tunnel with five 90 degree turns, two dead ends; and
- ★ one rat.

### Achieving a title

To achieve your excellent title (EXGT) in Go To Ground, you must have obtained your Grand Champion title, and successfully complete two qualifying runs at the excellent level.



For complete rules go to <http://www.ratscanadadogsports.com>

