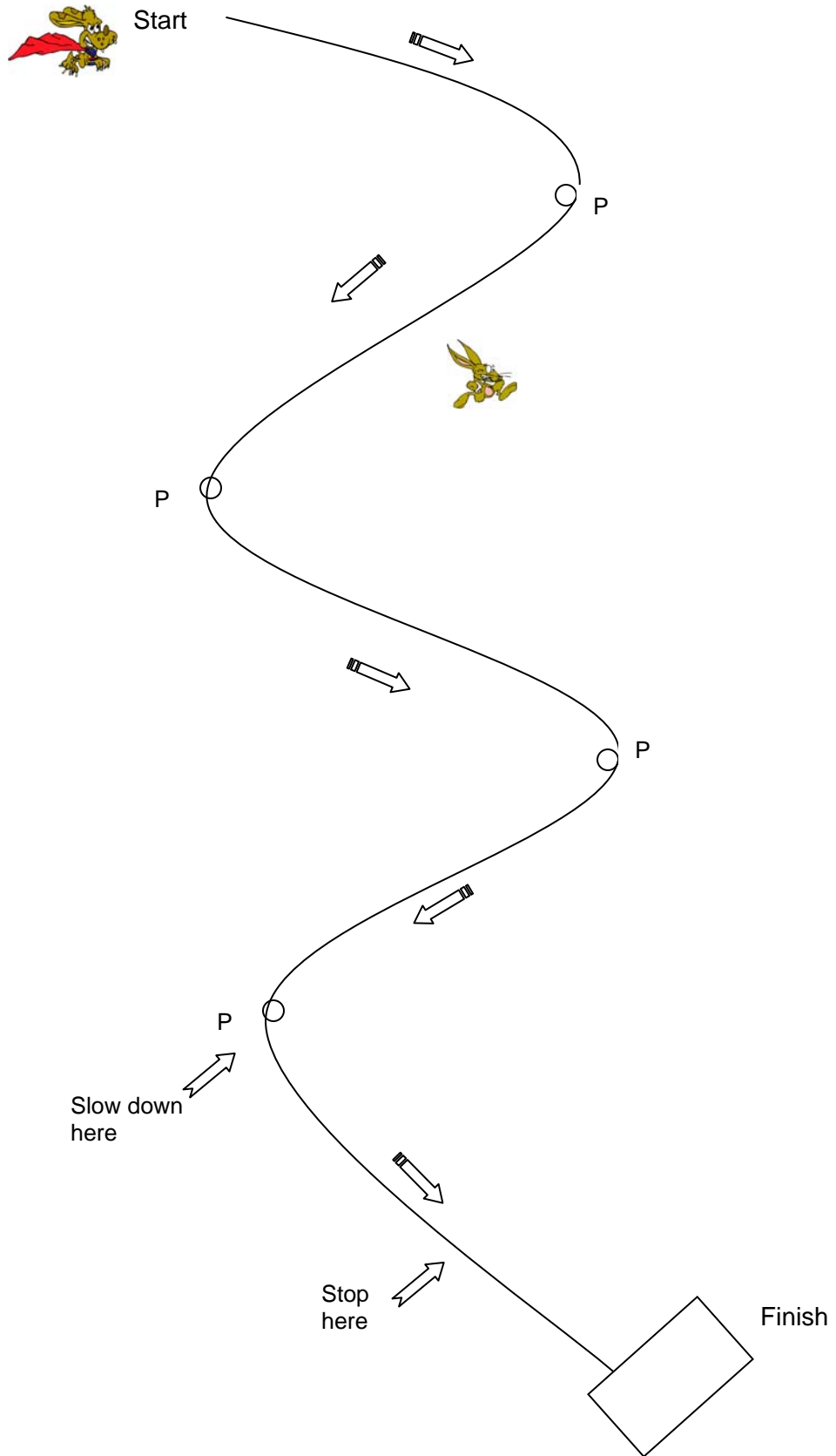


Sample Course Layout 2



This layout looks simple but it can be hard on your dog if the turns are too close together, so your 180'-between-pulleys rule should stand here, too.

This course will probably require two people, at least until you know your dog will run over to the lure (which will be nearly 1,000 feet away) and then chase it back as you run it. Two people are easier, though, because the second person will walk the dog back to the start point and take the line with her, setting it on the pulleys as she goes.

Once again, the caveat about keeping sufficient space on the curves/corners applies: when you're setting up your field, be aware of everything your dog could possibly run into. The dog will keep running no matter what is in the way, so it is up to you to create a safe course. Fences, trees, rocks, dirt patches (running through hard dirt can result in slipped pads – very painful!), posts, trash cans, or even people will all become one with the course as far as your dog is concerned.

So, again:

- (1) Keep at least 50' of clearance around your course in all directions, more if you have the room.
- (2) Make sure there's nothing in the path of your dog that could cause an injury such as gopher and squirrel holes, trees, posts, rocks, twigs & branches, fences, etc.
- (3) Keep your turns not tighter than 90 degrees.
- (4) Watch out for people walking through your field. They won't necessarily see the line, even though it is neon yellow, so if you're running at a park or the beach, make sure the people around you know what you're doing.
- (5) Keep the lure ahead of the dog by 10-30 feet, depending on the dog. Again, you'll have to play this by ear since each dog has different physiology, stamina, and abilities. Some dogs want that lure right in front of them; some dogs need it out a ways and moving fast. You'll just have to play with it and see what your dog's needs are.

As always, if you have any questions at all, please call Pat at Wicked Coursing. The phone number is 619-749-0304 PDT. Please don't call in the middle of the night or very early in the morning! Between the hours of 9:00 a.m. to 8:00 p.m. will work just fine. :o)

Happy coursing!