

SKILLS BASED TEST
(TO BE COMPLETED BY WMTD ASSESSOR)

DATE _____

HANDLERS NAME: _____

DOGS NAME: _____

ACCEPTING A FRIENDLY STRANGER:

Attended to dog first Role Played	Stayed By Handler's Side	Level III/ Level II
Some cues to dog Some role playing	Stayed in Box Needed extra verbal guidance (+1-2)	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Inattentive to dog Stressed	Jumped / Climbed Up Fearful / Stressed Avoided / Shied Away Approached / Went behind handler	Needs further work
Physically over-placed dog Refused to offer greeting	Dog mouthed assessor Growling / Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

ACCEPTING PETTING:

Attended to dog first Role Played	Stayed By Handler's Side	Level III/ Level II
Some cues to dog Some role playing	Stayed in Box Needed extra verbal guidance (+1-2)	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Inattentive to dog Stressed	Jumped / Climbed Up Avoided / Shied Away Fearful / Stressed Approached / Went behind handler	Needs further work
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Comments:

APPEARANCE AND GROOMING:

Professional Appearance Attentive to dog while being examined Role Played	Very clean, well groomed, ready to visit Accepted / enjoyed brushing Body is totally relaxed	Level III/ Level II
Appropriate appearance Dog could use more support while being examined Some role playing	OK appearance Needed some extra guidance Uncertain, recovered Sometimes enjoyed brushing	Level I
Inappropriate attire Stressed Inattentive to dog Gave multiple unnecessary cues	Odor Nails / coat / ears not ready for visit Fearful Mouths brush / comb / assessor	Needs further work
Physically over-placed dog Suspected drugs / alcohol use	Growling / Excessive Barking Obvious health concerns / injury	Not appropriate

Comments:

OUT FOR A WALK:

Loose lead Proactive Attended to dog first	Stayed By Handler's Side Proactive Loose lead	Level III/ Level II
Some loose lead Some proactive	Some uncertainty/exuberance in environment – recovered Minimal stress Some tight lead	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Stressed Tight Lead Inattentive to dog Reactive / Inactive	Tight lead Stressed	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language	Dog mouthed handler Growling / Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

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WALKING THROUGH A CROWD:

Attended to dog first Loose lead Relaxed	Proactive	Stayed By Handler's Side Loose lead Relaxed	Level III/ Level II
Some proactive Some loose lead	Aware of Dog Minimal stress	Some uncertainty/exuberance in environment – recovered Minimal stress Some tight lead	Level I
Inattentive to dog / Tight Lead / Stressed Reactive Few or Inappropriate interactions Gave multiple unnecessary cues		Too distracted / uncontrolled Tight Lead Fearful / Stressed Pulled handler to crowd member(s)	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language		Dog mouthed handler or crowd Growling / Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

REACTION TO DISTRACTIONS (visual & audible):

Attended to dog first Loose Lead Relaxed	Proactive	No reaction Little reaction, recovered quickly Confident Loose lead	Level III/ Level II
Aware of dog Some proactive	Minimal stress Some loose lead	Uncertain-recovered Some startle-recovered Distracted, needed minimal guidance Some tight lead	WMTD
Inattentive to dog / Tight Lead / Stressed Reactive Few or Inappropriate interactions Gave multiple unnecessary cues		Startled-didn't recover Lunged Shied Away Tight Lead Fearful / Stressed	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language		Dog mouthed handler Growling / Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

SIT ON CUE or PASS BETWEEN STRANGERS (carried dogs under 14 pounds)

Conversational tone of voice Subtle hand cue	Smooth / relaxed	Sat on initial cue Relaxed Attentive to handler, confident	Level III/ Level II
Firm / pleading tone Minimal stress		Uncertain, but complied Minimal Stress Distracted Needed additional cues (+1-2)	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Harsh tone of voice	Stressed Robot-like cues	Didn't sit after 3 cues Stressed/Fearful Didn't sit on laps if a "carried dog" Avoided, tolerated interactions if a "carried dog"	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language		Dog mouthed handler or crowd Growling/Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

DOWN ON CUE (skip for carried dogs):

Conversational tone of voice Subtle hand cue	Smooth / relaxed	Down on initial cue Relaxed Attentive to handler, confident	Level III/ Level II
Firm / pleading tone Minimal stress		Uncertain, but complied Minimal Stress Distracted Needed additional cues (+1-2)	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Harsh tone of voice	Stressed Robot-like cues	Didn't down after 3 cues Stressed/Fearful	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language		Dog mouthed handler Growling/Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

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STAY IN PLACE:

Conversational tone of voice Subtle hand cue Smooth / relaxed	Stayed as placed entire time Attentive to handler, confident Relaxed	Level III/ Level II
Firm / pleading tone Minimal stress	Eager to go to handler, but stayed in "boxed" area (or lap for carried dogs) Minimal Stress Distracted Needed additional cues (+1-2)	Level I
Harsh tone of voice Robot-like cues Let go of lead/long line Tugged on line causing dog to break stay Gave multiple unnecessary cues	Didn't stay after 3 attempts / cues Left "boxed" area / lap Stressed / Fearful	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language	Dog mouthed handler or crowd for a "carried dog" Growling/Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

COME WHEN CALLED:

Conversational tone of voice Subtle hand cue Smooth / relaxed	Came on initial cue Enjoyed interaction w/assessor Relaxed	Level III/ Level II
Firm / pleading tone Minimal stress	Needed additional cues (+1-2) Minimal stress Somewhat enjoyed interaction w/assessor Uncertain, recovered	Level I
Harsh tone of voice Let go of lead/long line Tugged on line causing dog to break stay Gave multiple unnecessary cues Robot-like cues	Didn't come after 3 cues Avoided/tolerated interaction w/assessor Stressed /Fearful	Needs further work
Physically over-correcting dog Inappropriate language	Dog mouthed assessor Growling/Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

Comments:

REACTION TO NEUTRAL DOG:

Proactively managed animal Loose lead Role Played	Ignored / Casual interest Loose lead Stayed by handler's side Relaxed	Level III/ Level II
Controlled dog Some Role Play Some tight lead	Eager / Tried to approach, redirected Needed some extra guidance Some tight lead Uncertain, recovered	Level I
Gave multiple unnecessary cues Inattentive Stressed	Jumped Up / Lunged Fearful / Stressed Tight Lead Approached / Went behind handler Avoided / Shied Away	Needs further work
Physically over-placed dog Refused to offer greeting	Dog mouthed assessor, handler or neutral dog Growling / Excessive Barking	Not appropriate

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OVERALL EVALUATION RESULTS

Not appropriate for therapy work

The handler or dog displayed behaviors not appropriate for therapy work. This team will not be re-evaluated.

Comments:

Needs further work

The handler or dog had one or more issues that require additional training or socialization. Additional training resources may be provided. The team may be invited to return in the future for re-evaluation

- ADDITIONAL TRAINING NEEDED: Obedience Socialization Other
- WMTD recommended socialization trainer list to be given: YES NO N/A
- Retesting of team is recommended in the future based upon completion of additional work YES NO

Comments:

Approved for enrollment in WMTD Introduction to Pet Therapy Course

The handler and dog were confident with good working interactions with one another and people within the test environment.

- Overall Evaluation Level: Level III/ Level II Level I

Comments:

WMTD ASSESSOR SIGNATURE:

X

ASSESSOR PERFORMING TEST:

EQUIPMENT WORN BY DOG DURING EVALUATION:

Flat/Martingale Collar Head Halter Body Harness 2' 4' 6' Leash Other:

ACCOMMODATIONS REQUESTED DURING ASSESSMENT: N/A

DOG

HANDLER