



Temperament Test Evaluator Form

1. Physical Touch Test

Dog's Response

Evaluator's Action	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail
Forcefully pets the head			
Clumsy Petting			
Vigorously rubs/scratches back, ribs, neck			
Holds Ears			
Touches Paws			
Scratches/rubs throat			
Lightly pulls tail			
Briefly restrains with a hug			

- Excellent: The dog stands or sits and remains calm.
- Satisfactory: The dog moves or steps away from the examiner.
- Fail: Dog jumps up, jumps away, mouths, barks, or snaps.

2. Crowded Petting Test

Dog's Response

Evaluator's Action	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail
Evaluator + 4 others surround & pet dog			

- Excellent: The dog stands or sits and remains calm.
- Satisfactory: Visibly uncomfortable or lightly stressed in the situation (lowering head, dropping tail, looking to handler for help), but the dog tolerates/accepts petting.
- Fail: Barks, mouths, snaps, cowers.

3. Leave It Test

Dog's Response

Evaluator's Action	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail (List item(s) here.)
Evaluator records dog's reactions to a treat, food, & tissue placed by the evaluator along a path 6 feet away.			
Evaluator offers treat in an open palm.			

- Excellent: The dog ignores the item and does not attempt to take it (unless the release word is given).
- Satisfactory: The dog shows interest in the item but does not move toward it.
- Fail: The dog lunges /pulls towards &/or takes the item into the mouth. For training purposes, list the item(s) that resulted in Failure in the box marked "Fail" above.

4. Bumping Test

Evaluator's Action	Dog's Response		
	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail
Evaluator lightly bumps into dog's rear from behind.			

- Excellent: The dog ignores the bump.
- Satisfactory: The dog startles, looks, but does not mouth or snap.
- Fail: The dog lunges &/or vocalizes, mouths, snaps.

5. Angry Yelling Test

Evaluator's Action	Dog's Response		
	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail
Evaluator + 1 person, or 2 people observed by the evaluator, <u>shout at each other</u> , NOT the dog, approximately 8 to 10 ft away from dog.			

- Excellent: The dog ignores the yelling or quietly observes.
- Satisfactory: The dog startles, looks at the yelling pair, but does not pull away, lunge, or otherwise act out.
- Fail: The dog lunges /pulls towards &/or away from the pair, vocalizes, cowers.

6. Initiating Contact & Engagement Test

Evaluator's Action	Dog's Response		
	Excellent	Satisfactory	Fail
Evaluator steps back from dog, invites, waits, & observes.			

- Excellent: Without invitation from evaluator or command by the handler, the dog interacts with and allows petting from the evaluator.
- Satisfactory: With invitation from evaluator and no command from the handler, the dog made eye contact and came to the evaluator when beckoned.
- Fail: When invited by evaluator and commanded by handler, the dog refused to engage or offer eye contact.

All sections of this test must be graded either excellent or satisfactory for the dog to pass the test. Any sections scoring a fail will cause the dog to fail the test.

Overall Results: Pass_____ Fail_____ Date of Evaluation: _____

Remarks:

Evaluator's Signature: _____

Evaluator's Printed Name: _____

Handler's Signature: _____ Date: _____

The temperament test above is intended for dog/handler teams applying for membership in Canines for Christ. The evaluator is not liable for any legal consequences resulting from an incident involving the tested dog that leads to legal action, provided the evaluator passed the dog in good faith.