

TEMPERAMENT TEST ASSOCIATES

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INFORMATION TO CLUBS

- 1. TEST APPLICATION** 1. Fill in the "Application Form to Hold a Temperament Test", and send it in to the TTA for approval.
- 2. VENUE**
 1. The location must be outdoors. A space of approximately ½ acre or a baseball diamond would be manageable.
 2. Some areas of cover must be available, for the gun shot, hidden clattering, and stranger.
 3. Obtain permission to have dogs and gunshots in the area.
- 3. ADVERTISING** 1. Once the test date has been confirmed, advertise. Suggested places include Event section on CanuckDogs, Facebook, social media, flyers at all breed shows, obedience trials, sanction matches, newspapers, vet's offices, local kennel clubs, obedience clubs, training centres, pet food stores, etc.
- 4. COST**
 1. TTA pays the expenses of the testers - travel and accommodations.
 2. In the case of air fares, the host club must pay for the cost of the flight(s). This deposit is returned on the test date. If test is cancelled the cost is forfeited. If air fares costs are necessary, the AIR FARE CONTRACT must be signed.
- 5. WORKERS**
 1. Host club must provide six assistants to work at the testing subtests, and one secretary to accept entries, organize testing order, fill in and distribute certificates.
 2. Assistants may also enter their own dogs. A substitute assistant must be provided for the sub-test while the original assistant is going through the test.
- 6. EQUIPMENT**
 1. The host club must have table and chair for the secretary's table with the necessary stationary supplies he/she will need. Please plan for appropriate cover in case of wind, sun or rainy conditions.
 2. Some of the assistants might want to provide chairs for their own comfort.
 3. A chair is needed for Test #6, Umbrella.
 4. Footing (chain-link, ex-pen) is needed for Test #7 Footing if the testers are flying in and cannot bring it.
- 7. TESTERS** 1. TTA provides the testers and all the testing equipment except for Test #7 Footing. The host club must provide the chain-link if the testers are flying in and cannot bring it.
- 8. FOOD** 1. The host club must provide some refreshments and food for the testing group and may have some for sale to the exhibitors.
- 9. PROCEDURES**
 1. The entry forms are provided by TTA.
 2. The host club determines the entry fee, accepts entries and holds them until the test date.
 3. The cheques are made payable to the host club.
 4. Entries can be taken up to and including the day of the test.
 5. Maximum is 35 dogs a day.
 6. Encourage pre-entries so that you will know the number of dogs expected.
 7. **NO REFUNDS**
- 10. FINANCES**
 1. On the test day, at the end of the testing, the host club pays TTA the testing fee calculated at \$25 per dog entered including the no shows. The balance of the entry fee is kept by the host club.
 2. Remember to have the club's treasurer there, or a signed cheque so that the financial statements can be finalized.
 3. TTA receives \$25 per dog, including the absentees. **They do not get refunds.**
- 11. NEW TESTERS**
 1. TTA welcomes interested individuals to participate in the apprenticeship program, with the eventual goal of becoming a qualified tester.
 2. They must be over 21 years of age and have had a minimum of five years experience in the sport of dogs.
 3. There is a \$5 apprentice fee per test.
 4. They must apprentice three times with a different testing group.
 5. A minimum of 60 dogs must be tested in total during the three sessions.
 6. Those individuals wishing to apply may do so and begin their apprenticeship on the day of the test.