



Preparations For The Pet Therapy Test

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Volunteer Team Evaluation Application

I understand that:

- My dog is required to be at least one year of age.
- All dogs must be owned by handler for at least six months, to be in good health, to have a satisfactorily completed Annual Medical Examination form, to remain calm without jumping or pulling on the leash, and that I may **not** use a metal choke, prong collar, head harness, extension leash, or chain leash.
- Dogs with any history of aggression toward dogs or people are disallowed in the program.
- There is a \$20 fee for the evaluation of my dog per handler.
- Upon passing the evaluation, we are required to have our veterinarian complete an Annual Medical Form each year at my expense. The Medical Form must be faxed directly to 4 Paws 4 Love from the veterinarian not provided by handler. Fax: (816) 293-2903
- All fees are non-refundable.
- Tardiness to appointments **MUST** be discouraged!
- If my pet voids, defecates, snarls, snaps, growls, or demonstrates aggressive behavior to people or other pets we will be disqualified.

Volunteer Team Evaluation Process

- All of the exercises will be evaluated as **PASS** or **NOT SUFFICIENT TRAINING**. The Volunteer Team Evaluation may be stopped at any time at the discretion of the evaluator. If the team does not meet the criteria and assessed as **NOT SUFFICIENT TRAINING**, an explanation and training tips will be given and the team will be asked to reschedule for another evaluation.



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- The evaluation process will begin when we you exit your vehicle in the parking lot and conclude when we re-enter the vehicle to leave. The handler and dog should mimic a visit as a therapy team. Attire should be clean, modest and professional attire. Short shorts, flip flops and other type clothing is strongly discouraged.
- My pet will be in good health (no wounds, sores, drainage, stitches, not on medications for infections, in season, clean, recently bathed, well brushed, clean ears and teeth, and trimmed nails.
- Small pets may be carried into the test area, but during the evaluation process, all dogs are expected to demonstrate a controlled walk with a relaxed leash, no pulling, jumping, heavy panting, or whining noises. If my animal demonstrates too much anxiety, the Evaluator will assess the team as **NOT SUFFICIENT TRAINING**.
- My dog is required to respond to a “sit”, “down”, “stay” and “come” command without a verbal or physical correction.
- All pets are required to remain calm during the interaction with the coordinator which includes petting, and stroking of ears, paws, and tail. If my pet resists this attention, we will be assessed as **NOT SUFFICIENT TRAINING**.
- My pet is required to remain stable and recover quickly if startled by sudden movements, strange noises, and people in a crowded setting.
- If my pet voids, defecates, growls, snaps, or vomits after passing the evaluation, but before leaving the testing area, the team will be assessed as **NOT SUFFICIENT TRAINING** and be asked to re-schedule another evaluation.

I pledge to be a responsible pet owner, abiding by the city ordinances, maintaining my pet's health, guarding my pet's safety, and will not allow my pet to violate the rights of others.

I indemnify and hold 4 Paws 4 Love, its owner, agents, instructors or any affiliated party, harmless from and against all claims, losses liabilities and damages to persons, pets, or property, including attorney's fees and litigation costs, arising out of the acts, omissions, services or negligence of 4 Paws 4 Love, its owner, agents, instructors or any affiliated party or its employees, volunteers and agents, in the course of the evaluation of me, my pet and/or for participation in the activities of 4 Paws 4 Love, its owner, agents, instructors or any affiliated party, including, but not limited to, interactions with the Volunteer Team, Evaluators, staff, volunteers, attendees, and animals involved in the screening, and/or registration evaluation of me and my pet, and transportation of me and my pet to, within, and from the evaluation site.



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I understand, I am fully responsible for my handling and management of my pet and myself during the course of any services I perform on behalf of pet therapy.

Owner/Handler

Date