

# Pet Partners® Program Team Evaluation

## Part 1 - Skills Exercises (PPST)

◆ Indicates exercises used in evaluating complex area placement



**Exercise 1**  
Review Handler  
Questionnaire



**Exercise 2** ◆  
Accepting a Friendly Stranger  
*Animal may change position*



**Exercise 3**  
Accepting Petting  
*Animal may change position*



**Exercise 4** ◆  
Appearance and Grooming  
*Animal may change position*



**Exercise 5** ◆  
Out for a Walk  
*All dogs must walk on floor*



**Exercise 6** ◆  
Walk Through a Crowd



**Exercise 7**  
Reaction to Distractions  
*One visual and one auditory*



**Exercise 8**  
(med./large dogs)  
Sit on Command



**Exercise 9**  
(med./large dogs)  
Down on Command



**Exercise 8 and 9**  
(small dogs/cats)  
Animal Passed to 3 Strangers



**Exercise 10** ◆  
(med./large dogs)  
Stay in Place  
*10 ft line with a 2-3 second pause*



**Exercise 10** ◆  
(small dogs/cats)  
Placed on Lap or Table  
*Stay for 30 seconds*



**Exercise 11**  
Come When Called  
*All dogs must do*



**Exercise 12**  
Reaction to Neutral Dog



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## Part 2 - Aptitude Exercises (PPAT)

Volunteer Teams are permitted to have 2 "Not Ready(s)" (NR) marks in PPAT exercises D through J

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### Scenario 1



Exercise A ◆  
Overall Examination



Exercise B ◆  
Clumsy Petting



Exercise C ◆  
Restraining Hug

### Scenario 2



Exercise D  
Staggering, Gesturing  
Assistant staggers, then moves normally to pet animal



Exercise E  
Angry Yelling  
Assistant yells, then calms down and calls animal



Exercise F  
Bumped from Behind

### Scenario 3



Exercise G ◆  
Crowded and Petted by Several People



Exercise H  
Leave It



Exercise I  
Offer Treat



Exercise J ◆  
Overall Assessment

The team should:  
▶ Be reliable  
▶ Be predictable  
▶ Be controllable



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