



INTERMOUNTAIN THERAPY ANIMALS

Step #1: ITA Volunteer Team Handler's Questionnaire

(1) The person who will visit with the animal being tested must complete this form. (If you are not the owner, you must provide written permission from the owner to handle this animal.)

(2) Bring this along for the ITA Evaluator to review at the time you take your team test.

(3) You must complete a separate form for each animal with whom you test.

(4) Include this form when you submit your registration package to ITA.

DATE: _____

Handler: _____ Owner (if different): _____

Animal's Name: _____ Species/Breed: _____ Age: _____

1. How did you acquire your animal companion?

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|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Breeder | <input type="checkbox"/> Friend |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Shelter/Rescue | <input type="checkbox"/> Pet store |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Former service dog trainee ? | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

2. How long have you had or known this animal? _____

3. Have you or your animal trained or practiced at the same location where you are being evaluated? ☐ No ☐ Yes

4. Have you previously been evaluated for therapy work with this animal by another organization? ☐ No ☐ Yes (IF YES:) Which one? _____

When? _____ And have you been active as a visiting team? ☐ No ☐ Yes

5. If you are registering with a dog, has the dog ever been encouraged or trained to bite, even as part of a dog sport (e.g., Schutzhund)?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes

6. List all cues this animal responds to reliably:

7. Is there a specific age group that this animal avoids or seems uncomfortable around?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes: (If yes, check all that apply)
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|---|---------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> Infants | <input type="checkbox"/> Toddlers |
| <input type="checkbox"/> School-aged children | <input type="checkbox"/> Adolescents |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Adult men | <input type="checkbox"/> Adult women |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Seniors | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ |

8. Is there a type of individual that this animal avoids or seems uncomfortable around?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes: (If yes, check all that apply)
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| <input type="checkbox"/> People wearing hats | <input type="checkbox"/> People with facial hair |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People that move differently | <input type="checkbox"/> People using unusual equipment |
| <input type="checkbox"/> People of a different race | Other: _____ |

9. Has this animal ever acted in a threatening or menacing manner towards an individual or group of individuals? Threatening/menacing includes: overt staring, growling, snapping, snarling, barking at, lunging toward or biting an individual.

- ☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, describe)

10. List any kinds of animals that this animal does not react well to.

11. Has this animal ever seriously injured or killed another animal?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, describe the situation)

12. Are there other animals in your home?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, what kind and how many?)

13. What is this animal's favorite game or activity? (Check all that apply)

- ☐ Frisbee/catch ☐ Chase games ☐ Chew toys ☐ Find-it games
☐ Fetch and return ☐ Wrestling ☐ Tug of war
☐ Agility/obstacles ☐ Pounce games ☐ Other: _____

14. Does your animal have any health problems? Take regular medications? If so, please explain.

15. Is there any medical or structural reason that your dog may not be able to sit or down?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, describe the reason)

16. How do you correct or redirect this animal's undesirable behaviors?

17. What does this animal do when it becomes stressed?

18. What do you do when you recognize that your animal is stressed?

19. Is this animal your personal assistance dog?

- ☐ No ☐ Yes (If yes, describe what s/he is trained to do)

FOR RENEWING TEAMS:

20. What does your partner do that indicates to you s/he looks forward to and enjoys your team volunteering?

21. Have you seen any changes in his/her reactions or behaviors over the last two years of your volunteering experience?

Signature _____