



TEMPERAMENT EVALUATION REGULATIONS

AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.

All rights reserved.

Copyright 2008. American Temperament Test Society, Inc.

No part of these Temperament Evaluation Regulations may be reproduced or transmitted in any form without written permission from the American Temperament Test Society, Inc.

Additional copies of these Temperament Evaluation Regulations may be purchased from ATTS at \$7.00 each.



TEMPERAMENT EVALUATION REGULATIONS

AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.

Copyright 2008. American Temperament Test Society, Inc.

AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.

a not-for-profit organization

was established to:

- Provide for a uniform national program of temperament testing of purebred and mixed-breed dogs.
- Conduct seminars to distribute information to dog owners, dog breeders, and evaluators (testers) concerning dog psychology, motivation, reaction and other aspects of temperament testing.
- Recognize and award certificates to dogs that pass the requirements of the temperament evaluation.
- Work for the betterment of all breeds of dogs.
- Select, train, prepare and register temperament evaluators.

Our motto says it all:

"A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY"

TABLE OF CONTENTS

	PAGE
Introduction.....	1
History	1
The ATTS Program.....	2
What is Temperament.....	2
The ATTS Temperament Test	2
The Test Course	3
<i>Location</i>	3
<i>Layout</i>	3
Equipment List.....	3
The Walk-Through.....	5
The Subtests of the ATTS Temperament Test.....	7
Evaluating the Dog	11
Critique with the Owner/Handler.....	13
Confidentiality	13
Conduct in the Test Area	13
Videos.....	14
Decisions and Grievances	14
Personnel Requirements and Their Duties	14
Test Organizer Duties.....	15
Test Secretary Duties.....	17
Chief Tester, Testers and Apprentice Testers.....	20
Station Worker Duties and Responsibilities.....	21
Neutral Stranger.....	21
Friendly Stranger.....	21
Hidden Noise.....	22
Gun Test.....	22
Umbrella Test.....	22
The Weird Stranger.....	22
Hosting an ATTS Temperament Test.....	23
How to Apply.....	23
Test Entries.....	24
Financial Obligations of the Host Organization.....	24
Personnel Obligations.....	25
Insurance.....	25
Test Cancellation.....	26
Applying for Apprentice Tester Status.....	27
Progression from Apprentice Tester to Chief Tester.....	27
Appendix	
Frequently Asked Questions.....	A-1
Examples of Test Course Layout.....	B-1
Sample Forms.....	C-1

INTRODUCTION

The AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. (ATTS) is a national not-for-profit organization registered in the State of Missouri for the promotion of uniform temperament evaluation for purebred and mixed-breed dogs.

Temperament testing has assumed an important role for today's dog fancier because of breed-specific dog legislation and negative publicity associated with many breeds of dogs. The ATTS temperament test provides breeders a means for evaluating temperament and gives pet owners insight into their dog's behavior. It can have an impact on breeding programs, in educating people about their dogs' behavioral strengths and weaknesses, and a positive influence on dog legislation.

The ATTS test focuses on and measures different aspects of temperament such as stability, shyness, aggressiveness, friendliness, as well as a dog's instinct for protectiveness towards its handler and/or self-preservation in the face of a threat. The test is designed for the betterment of all breeds of dogs and takes into consideration each breed's inherent tendencies. To be eligible for the test, all dogs must be 18 months of age or older.

TT titles are awarded to purebred and to spayed or neutered mixed-breed dogs which pass the evaluation. Records of all dogs earning TT are maintained at ATTS headquarters.

HISTORY

The American Temperament Test Society, Inc. was founded in Monterey, California in September, 1977, by Alfons Ertelt after an 18-month study and evaluation program. Alfons combined experience, research and consultation with behaviorists to formulate the ATTS temperament test. This test is based on the Danish, German and Swedish Mental tests for dogs. Three unique variations introduced by Alfons Ertelt were included in the ATTS test: the hidden noise (bucket with rocks or chains), the umbrella test and the footing tests.

The reins of ATTS passed to Frederic McNabb of Pacoima, California, following Alfons' death in 1983. For almost seven years Fred led the ATTS efforts and performed the administrative chores. Then, in March of 1990, ATTS headquarters was transferred to St. Louis. Since then, ATTS has been guided by a panel of four administrators under the supervision of a Board of seven directors, which determines policy and directs the decision-making process of ATTS.

THE ATTS PROGRAM

The ATTS Test focuses on and measures different aspects of temperament such as stability, shyness, aggressiveness, friendliness and loyalty, as well as a dog's Instinct for protectiveness towards Its handler and/or self-preservation In the face of a threat.

The test simulates a casual walk through the park or neighborhood where everyday-life situations are encountered. During this walk, the dog experiences visual, auditory and tactile stimuli. Dog and handler also encounter neutral, friendly and threatening situations, thus calling Into play the dog's ability to distinguish between non-threatening situations and those calling for watchful and protective reactions. During the test, the dog's reactions to each situation are scored or "measured" by ATTS trained testers.

While character and disposition differ from one breed to another and while training, socialization, experience and other environmental factors play a prominent part In any dog's behavior, good temperament or bad temperament is good or bad In any breed. While these factors are considered during the evaluation, basic temperament tendencies will manifest themselves, In varying degrees, in the dog's reaction to given stimuli.

WHAT IS TEMPERAMENT

Temperament is any dog's emotional reaction pattern to the innate response of his nerve-organization, combined with environmental experiences. Character in the dog is composed of temperament and disposition. Disposition is the customary mood/attitude makeup as the dominant quality distinguishing one breed of dog from another. Personality applies to an aggregate of qualities that distinguishes each dog In a different way.

W. Handel (Police Chief of Stuttgart, Germany), in his article, "The Psychological Basis of Temperament Testing," defines temperament as, "the sum total of all inborn and acquired physical and mental traits and talents which determines, forms and regulates behavior in the environment."

THE ATTS TEMPERAMENT TEST

One of the aims of the American Temperament Test Society is to conduct all temperament tests in a uniform manner throughout the country .All tests are conducted under the same rules, guidelines and professional standards.

It takes from 10 to 12 minutes to test each dog, confer with the testers and discuss the results with the handler. ATTS recommends that tests be limited to 45 dogs per day.

The Test Course

Location

The test course must be removed from parking, exercise, and spectator areas so that other dogs, handlers and spectators will not interfere with the temperament test. The test secretary's area must also be situated away from the test course. This will allow newcomers to check in without disturbing a test in progress.

Layout

Although there is no set pattern for the actual layout of the test course, a horseshoe-shaped configuration is most convenient. Where space does not permit, other designs are acceptable. However, a few guidelines need to be followed. An American flag must be posted at the beginning of the course. The distances between subtest stations should not vary greatly from those shown in the sample test-course layouts illustrated in the appendix. The order of the sub tests must not be changed.

Equipment List

The equipment necessary to hold an ATTS temperament test is categorized as:

- Required
- Suggested
- Optional

Required Test Equipment:

- An American flag at the beginning of the course
- Three blinds - For subtests 3 (hidden noise), 4 (gunshots), and 8, 9, 10 (weird stranger), the station worker must be completely hidden from the dog's view. If dense bushes or trees are not available, then Schutzhund blinds, or large cardboard boxes. or an opaque sheet/blanket suspended between two posts. or any other suitable hiding place for the station worker must be provided.
- Large (2-4 gal.) metal bucket or pail with a few rocks or chains or nuts and bolts

- .22 caliber (starter) pistol with sufficient extra loud cartridges (at least 3 per dog to be tested) and two 12" long 2 x 4's
- Adequate ear (noise) protection for the station worker at the gunshot subtest
- Two man's normal-size, black, self-opening (spring-loaded) umbrellas
- Clear (transparent) plastic sheet. 15 feet long and 6 feet wide (at least 4 mil. thickness is recommended) plus sufficient rocks, bricks, etc. to weight down plastic sheet
- A wire exercise pen, approximately 12 feet long and 3 feet wide when unfolded
- An over-size raincoat or overcoat to be worn by the weird stranger. A protective sleeve to be worn, completely hidden, under the coat.
- A riding crop three to four feet long or a stick no heavier or longer than a riding crop
- A large brimmed, floppy hat to be worn by the weird stranger
- Markers for the various subtests. the start of the course and the critique area
- Chairs for the station workers and the test secretary
- Test secretary table with the following items:
 - ATTS forms
 - Clipboards for testers
 - Black or blue ball-point pens (no felt tips)
 - Stapler
 - Emergency phone numbers, addresses, and directions to the nearest medical and veterinary facilities
 - Extra slip collars and six-foot lead
 - Copy of the Temperament Evaluation Regulations
- Clean-up tools and disposal container
- Disinfectant/ odor eliminator

Suggested Test Equipment:

- Extra .22 caliber (starter) pistol
- Extra (third) man's normal-size, black, self-opening (spring-loaded) umbrella (strongly recommended)
- Rope to rope off test area
- Surveyor's tape to mark the path through the test course

- Canopy to provide shade for secretary and testers
- Sanitary facilities
- Water for dogs
- Tape measure
- Simon & Schuster's *Guide to Dogs* by Gino Pugnetti, edited by Elizabeth Meriwether Schuler
- Trash disposal containers
- Tent pegs to hold down the exercise pen
- Refreshments for the station workers and testers
- Signs: Direction to test site
Parking area
Entrance/Exit (to/from test area)

Optional Equipment:

- Recording of National Anthem
- Cellular or portable phone
- P. A. system
- Video equipment to record test/tape individual dogs

The Walk-Through

The walk-through, conducted by the Chief Tester, is the all-important preparatory and informative portion of the Temperament Test. This is the best way for ATTS to inform dog owners/handlers about the details of the test and to explain in general the expected reactions of dogs to each subtest. A comprehensive walk-through demonstrates handler conduct for the various stations, thereby minimizing handler interference with the dogs during the test and allowing for uninfluenced reactions from the dogs.

It is suggested that two walk-throughs be conducted at each temperament test, the first prior to the start of the test in the morning and the second before or after the lunch break. More walk-throughs may be necessary, depending on the circumstances of a particular test. All owners, handlers, testers and station workers are encouraged and advised to participate in at least one walk-through prior to participating in an ATTS temperament test. Each subtest will be visited and explained. A walk-through lasts approximately 30 minutes and should provide the information in the following outline.

Introduction

- Brief words of welcome
- Introduction of Chief Tester and other test personnel
- A brief synopsis of ATTS
- Definition of temperament

Guidelines for the Handler

- No smoking is allowed on the test course.
- Refrain from talking during Subtests except when asked by the Chief Tester to encourage the dog in Subtests 3 and 5.
- Give no commands, verbal or implied, to the dog during the test.
- Give no leash corrections during the test (unless the dog wants to urinate).
- Maintain a loose, six-foot leash, except when directed otherwise by the Chief Tester.
- Use a slip collar with no prongs.
- Walk at normal pace and listen for the Chief Tester's instructions before moving to each subtest.
- Observe the dog.

Explanation of Scoring

- Passing scores for each subtest range from one to ten. Ten signifies the strongest (but not necessarily the most desirable) reaction from a dog at a given subtest, Zero indicates that the dog has failed the subtest and therefore the entire test. An average score for any subtest is five.
- Each dog is evaluated individually according to its breed standard, age, sex, training, living environment (house or kennel) and degree of socialization. It is for this reason that one dog's scores should never be compared to another dog's scores.
- The Chief Tester's and testers' scores are averaged to determine the final score for each subtest.
- Apprentice testers are learning to be testers. Their opinions are considered, but their scores are not averaged.
- After the test, the owner/handler will be told if his or her dog has passed or failed the temperament test. Scores will not be given to the owner or handler by the test secretary or the Chief Tester.
- A certificate and a copy of the entry form with the final scores will be mailed for all dogs passing the temperament test.

Conditions for Failure

- Dog scores a zero on any subtest
- Three criteria for the failure of a subtest:
 - dog shows strong avoidance or refuses to complete a subtest
 - dog exhibits unprovoked aggression during the test
 - dog panics and fails to recover from a subtest
- Dogs that panic and do not sufficiently recover within 30-45 seconds will be excused from further testing so as not to additionally stress the dog.
- At least two testers must score a zero for a dog to fail a subtest.

Demonstration of Subtests

The Chief Tester will walk the owners/handlers through the entire test course. All station workers should participate in the demonstration of subtests. At each station on the walk-through the Chief Tester should:

- Explain the purpose of the subtest
- Explain what happens during the subtest while the station worker demonstrates
- Talk about expected reactions
- Provide helpful hints and guidelines for handler behavior
- List the criteria for failure of the subtest

Concluding Statement

- Concluding statement and final call for questions

The Subtests of the ATTS Temperament Test

An informed individual should be available to explain the purpose and procedures of the temperament test, conduct during the test, types of reactions expected from the dogs, and the scoring system to handlers who missed the walk-through. This will expedite the test and free the Chief Tester from giving individual instructions to late arrivals.

Once the handler/dog team are at the starting point, the handler is no longer permitted to talk to the dog or give commands (either verbal or implied), except as directed by the Chief Tester, until the dog has completed the test.

The dog should wear a slip collar (no prongs) and be handled on a loose six foot lead.

During the test, all personnel except the weird stranger (Subtests 8, 9 and 10) must act in a non-aggressive, friendly manner.

The following paragraphs describe each subtest. The station workers' actions are outlined in the section on STATION WORKER DUTIES.

Subtest 1: Neutral Stranger

The purpose of this subtest is to evaluate the dog's reaction to passive socialization and the dog's protective tendencies. The neutral stranger approaches the handler from the front at a 45-degree angle. From the dog's perspective; this is the least stressful or aggressive position. The neutral stranger arrives at the designated location at the same time as the handler. He or she shakes the handler's hand and initiates a brief conversation with the handler, ignoring the dog. The total encounter between the neutral stranger and the handler lasts from 10 to 15 seconds.

Subtest 2: Friendly Stranger

This subtest checks a dog's active social skills. The friendly stranger approaches the dog from a 45-degree angle from the handler's front in an enthusiastic, happy manner, verbally attracting the dog's attention. He or she arrives at the designated location at the same time as the dog and pets and talks to the dog for five to ten seconds without bending directly over the dog.

Note: Neither the neutral nor the friendly stranger come from behind a blind. Neutral and friendly stranger's chairs should be 15 to 20 feet off the course.

Subtest 3: Hidden Noise

This subtest measures a dog's investigative response to an auditory stimulus. When the dog is 20 feet from the blind, the hidden station worker begins to continuously rattle a bucket containing rocks or other objects. When the dog is ten feet away, the station worker steps out from behind the blind (still rattling the bucket), places it directly in the dog's line of vision and retreats behind the blind. If a small dog is being tested, the bucket will be turned on its side. The handler should not hesitate, but walk directly to the bucket and stand next to it. On direction by the Chief Tester a handler may verbally encourage the dog by reaching down to the bucket

(without rattling or moving it) and appear to be extremely interested in the bucket and its contents. The handler may speak to the dog but must not use the dog's name or use any command words the dog might understand. The handler must focus on the bucket, not the dog.

Subtest 4: Gunshots

This subtest measures a dog's recovery response to a sudden auditory stimulus. Keeping a loose lead, the handler walks to the designated marker and stops with his/her back toward the blind. The station worker behind the blind will fire a series of three shots (SHOT - PAUSE - SHOT - SHOT). If the dog turns toward the sound, the handler should follow the dog for a few steps.

Subtest 5: Umbrella

This subtest measures a dog's ability to recover from a sudden visual stimulus and to investigate its source. When the dog is five feet from the umbrella, looking toward the umbrella, the worker opens the umbrella at a 90-degree angle to the approaching team (firmly keeping the handle in the horizontal position) and lowers it smoothly so that it comes to rest with two points touching the ground (for stability with no further movement). The shaft of the umbrella is still parallel to the ground.

The handler does not stop at the marker but walks directly to the umbrella and stands next to it. If the Chief Tester directs the handler to encourage the dog, the handler may bend or squat as close as possible to the umbrella and appear to investigate it, gently touching the umbrella without moving it. Focusing on the umbrella (not the dog), he/she may speak softly to the dog but must not use the dog's name or any commands that the dog might understand.

Subtests 6 and 7: Plastic and Wire Footing

Both of these sub tests indicate a dog's sensitivity to unusual footing and its ability to recover from the fear of unusual footing, as well as evaluate the dog's investigative behavior to the unusual footing. As the handler comes within ten feet of each footing, he/she should shorten the lead and walk briskly without hesitating or conveying anxiety to the dog in any way.

In Subtest 6 both dog and handler must walk across the plastic sheet. In Subtest 7 only the dog will cross the wire grating. The handler must walk beside it. It is extremely important that the handler not bump, step on, or otherwise disturb the grating while the dog is crossing it. If the dog does not cross the entire length of the footing, the team may repeat the test up to two more times at the discretion of the Chief Tester.

Subtests 8, 9, and 10: The Weird Stranger

These subtests collectively evaluate a dog's capacity to recognize an unusual situation, its threshold to provocation, its protective instincts, and its propensity to realize when that situation becomes a threat.

Subtest 8 begins when the handler stops at the designated marker (approximately 38 feet from the blind), feet firmly planted, holding the leash tightly in case the dog lunges forward or retreats to the end of the lead. At this point the weird stranger coughs or makes some sort of noise to attract the dog's attention in a non-challenging manner. (He/she should not hit the blind with the riding crop.) The weird stranger emerges from behind the blind, stumbles and staggers and continues to make weird noises, moving at a right angle to the path of the stationary team for 10 to 15 feet toward the first marker.

Subtest 9 begins at the first marker where the weird stranger turns, hesitates briefly, and advances toward the team 10 feet to the second marker. He/she continues to make weird sounds and motions and waves the riding crop above the shoulder

For Subtest 10 the weird stranger hesitates briefly at the second marker, continuing to make weird sounds and motions, then advances an additional 10 feet to the third marker, while striking the ground six times with the riding crop. The weird stranger stops at the marker (18 feet from the handler), turns and slinks away in a furtive, hesitant, uncertain manner, looking back once before disappearing behind the blind.

This concludes the ATTS temperament test. The handler is invited to wait in a designated area for the Chief Tester's comments and observations.

Evaluating the Dog

During the ATTS temperament evaluation every dog is scored at each substation by a Chief Tester, two testers and up to three apprentice testers. The evaluators are spread out over the field to observe the dog from different angles. When a dog has completed the test, the Chief Tester leads the other testers in reviewing the scoring, encourages questions and offers clear answers and detailed explanations. Unless specifically invited by the Chief Tester, station workers are not a part of this discussion.

The Chief Tester and the two testers determine the dog's final score. The pass/fall verdict is reached unanimously by all three or by consensus of two - either the Chief Tester and one tester or the two testers

In evaluating the reactions of a dog to the various stimuli of the Temperament Test, many factors must be taken into consideration. Several of these factors are specified by the owner/handler on the entry form and are reviewed by the Chief Tester before each dog begins the test. These factors are:

- The breed of the dog (hereditary purpose)
- The training the dog has received
- The dog's age
- The dog's gender
- Whether it has been spayed or neutered
- The dog's physical health (dog is in season)
- Whether it is a house dog or kennel dog

Additional factors which may influence a dog's performance are:

- Weather conditions
- Field conditions
- External influences (spectators, traffic, etc. too close to testing area)
- Other environmental factors

Handler mannerisms could influence a dog's reactions and should also be taken into consideration. (This is one reason for all handlers to attend a walk-through prior to taking a dog through the temperament test.)

The following table summarizes the evaluation system. The average dog for any breed, taking the above factors into consideration, is scored as a "5." More positive reactions are scored higher, while negative responses are scored lower. A "No Response" is scored as such.

Testers' Guide to Evaluating Temperament Test Responses

Score	Rating	Subtests	
		1,2,4,6,7,8,9,10	3,5
10	Superior	Outstanding Reactions	Immediate Investigation
9 8 7	Above Average	Dog Shows Positive Exceptional Initiative	Dog Initiates Investigation without Encouragement
6 5 4	Average	Positive Response: Immediate Recovery from any Negative Reaction	No Encouragement <u>or</u> Mild Encouragement is Required
NR	No Reaction	Dog Ignores Stimulus No Reaction	No Investigative Response: Dog shows NO Fear
3 2 1	Below Average	Dog Shows Negative Reactions: Slow to Recover	Strong Encouragement is Required fir Dog to Investigate
0	Failure	Unprovoked Aggression Strong Avoidance Panic – No Recovery	

Generally, the most desirable response falls in the average range.

Critique with the Owner/Handler

When the Chief Tester and the testers have determined a dog's scores, the Chief Tester (or a qualified tester designated by the Chief Tester) will inform the owner/handler whether the dog passed (met the ATTS requirements for the TT title), discuss strengths or weaknesses observed - not in terms of actual scores, because the averages will not have been calculated - but in general terms, i.e. average, above average, not as expected, etc. The Chief Tester (or representative) will answer any questions asked by the owner/handler and may offer suggestions as to whether or not it is advisable to retest the dog at a future date.

Confidentiality

Only the Chief Tester (or designated representative) may discuss the test results with the owner /handler. This discussion is in private and conducted in the strictest confidence. Testers, apprentice testers, test secretary, or other ATTS officials or anyone acting in an official ATTS capacity, are required not to discuss test results with owners/ handlers or with anyone else.

Certificate

The American Temperament Test Society awards a Temperament Title (TT) and issues a certificate with a breed-specific TT number to every purebred and neutered or spayed, mixed-breed dog which passes the temperament evaluation. Owners or handlers receive a Letter of Certification and the averaged scores for the qualifying dogs. All TT numbers are on permanent record at ATTS headquarters.

Certificates will be sent within 10 to 12 weeks after the test results have been received at ATTS headquarters. Certificates will not be sent to any participant whose check does not clear. It is the Host Organization's responsibility to notify ATTS when this occurs, and also when the matter has been resolved.

Conduct in the Test Area

Smoking and the consumption of alcoholic beverages in the test area are not permitted. This includes the area around the secretary table.

Test participants who act detrimentally to ATTS policies and the best interest of ATTS, and who unduly, excessively, or improperly criticize, abuse, injure or harm the standing of ATTS or its program, the Host Organization or other clubs, or who do not act within the park/city or other

ordinances, may be refused participation in any ATTS activity that day and kept from the test area. Those persons are to be reported in writing to ATTS headquarters within 24 hours by the senior ATTS official (Chief Tester) present.

All ATTS officials are required to abide by the rules and regulations of ATTS. Any official not acting in the very best interest of ATTS, or officiating at a temperament test not authorized by ATTS, or who has been convincingly charged (against whom valid complaints have been received) shall be stricken from the ATTS records.

Videos

ATTS encourages the taking of videotapes of all dogs (or as many as practical) going through the temperament test. However, the video equipment and the person operating this equipment must not interfere with any dog being tested. ATTS requests a copy of any videotape made of the temperament test. After reviewing the tape, ATTS will return it to the Host Organization: or, upon request, the Host Organization will be compensated for the cost of the tape.

Decisions and Grievances

Grievances regarding the manner in which the temperament test is conducted, and/or the performance of any of the officials should be brought immediately to the attention of the Chief Tester for proper disposition. The decisions of the Chief Tester, acting in the very best interest of ATTS, are valid and final and may not be contested that day.

However, any owner /handler (or any ATTS official) may send a written detailed report regarding any grievances to ATTS headquarters for final disposition. Please send the report and any supporting evidence to:

American Temperament Test Society, Inc.
(Please check our website for address/telephone number)
www.ATTS.org

ATTS will respond to your report.

Personnel Requirements and Their Duties

The ATTS temperament test is manpower intensive. The following is a list of jobs that need to be staffed. In some instances the position may not be required: others may be combined and performed by one individual.

Test Organizer
Test Secretary

Chief Tester
Testers (2)
Apprentice testers (up to 3)

Station Workers (6)
Neutral Stranger
Friendly Stranger
Hidden Noise (bucket rattler)
Gunshot
Umbrella
Weird Stranger

Miscellaneous Personnel (optional)
Runner (between Test Secretary and Chief Tester)
Secretary Assistant
Videotaping
Substitute Station Workers

The duties and responsibilities of these positions are described in more detail below.

Test Organizer Duties

Rules and Regulations

The test organizer is expected to have read and to have a working knowledge of all rules and regulations pertaining to holding an ATTS approved temperament test.

Filing of Forms

File all necessary application forms with the ATTS office to request permission to hold a test. These forms must be filed at least 120 days prior to the test date requested. These forms are:

- Test Application Form
- Flyer Form -The proposed flyer should include:
 - Minimum age requirement for entry
 - Entry fee (as set by ATTS)
 - Other fees, such as park fees, listed separately

- Contact person -name, address, telephone number and email address
- Location of testing site
- Directions and/or map to testing site

Selection of the Chief Tester

The Test Organizer may propose the name of a Chief Tester and the two testers on the application form. Although ATTS reserves the right to assign a Chief Tester, we usually honor the Test Organizer's request. ATTS will verify the proposed Chief Tester's availability to officiate at the test. New testing groups will have a teaching Chief Tester assigned by ATTS. The Test Organizer or his/her representative will be notified of the test approval and the Chief Tester assignment.

Selection of the Testers

A letter of acceptance from the proposed testers indicating that they will be able to serve on the date of the test should accompany the application to hold the test.

Insurance

ATTS recommends that the Host Organization have sufficient insurance for holding this event.

Facilities

Arrange for facilities to hold the test and inspect them to make certain that they are acceptable/suitable.

The following should be a minimum of 100 feet from the test area:

- Dog-Walk Area -clean-up supplies available
- Parking
- Restrooms
- Secretary's area which allows for maintenance of CONFIDENTIALITY
- Shaded area for dogs/people waiting to be tested
- Spectator area which does not interfere with testing
- Staging/waiting area separate from testing area
- Water supply for dogs
- Other events or activities held the same day

There should be sufficient cover or appropriate blinds available for test stations 3, 4, and 8-10.

Equipment

Check that all equipment for the test is available and in proper working order. Also check that all equipment is in compliance with the requirements of ATTS.

Personnel

Arrange for sufficient personnel to serve as station workers, runners and relief workers.

Advertising

ATTS will include your test in our advertising if application is received and approved prior to the deadline for copy to be sent to the publications with which we advertise.

Test Area Maintenance

Police grounds after the test to insure that the grounds are left clean and undamaged.

Test Secretary Duties

The Test Secretary is expected to have on hand, at the test site, a copy of the Temperament Evaluation Regulations (TER) pertaining to holding an ATTS-approved temperament test. The Test Secretary is to be familiar with all these rules in order to answer questions that may be asked prior to or on the day of the test. All questions concerning the scoring of dogs during the test must be referred to the Chief Tester.

Check material sent in ATTS supplied packet to ensure that the following forms are included:

- Secretary - Verification report
- Temperament Test Guidelines (sent only for first test - remains with the club)
- Temperament Evaluation Regulations (TER) Sent only for the first test – remains with the Host Organization.
- Blank entry forms (These may be copied if necessary, but copies must contain both front and back to be valid.)
- Blank flyer form
- Blank test application form
- Handout information pamphlets (if requested)

Receive all entry forms - check each form for:

- **Completeness**
 - Form contains both front and back (incomplete forms are not valid)
 - All blanks are completed
- **Legibility**
 - Certificates are prepared from entry form.
 - Corrections to certificates cost \$10.00 for each certificate
- Entry form must be signed by owner/agent
- Entry fee must accompany entry. Failure of check to clear invalidates entry.
- Gate entry accepted at Host Organization discretion

It is suggested that Host Organization send acknowledgement of entry to each participant at least one week prior to test date. Include time to be present for walk-through and any other pertinent information, such as a map to the test site. The Walk-Through is **not optional**.

Schedule Order of Testing

- **Mandatory**
 - Males and females not in season are tested first.
 - Females in season are tested last
 - Number all entries consecutively. Do not duplicate numbers. If a dog is absent, mark "Absent" on the entry form.
- **Suggested**
 - Make schedule of testing order to post at testing site
 - Send a list of breeds pre-entered to the Chief Tester and the testers

Day of Test

Maintain orderly and efficient flow of test participants to testing area. Number all entries consecutively, as the dogs are checked in. (Note: test males and females first, and females in season last) Do not duplicate numbers. If a dog is absent mark "Absent" on that entry form.

Maintain STRICT CONFIDENTIALITY of all test results.

Check each entry form to be certain that:

- The number on the individual score sheets matches the number on the entry form. Any discrepancy must be resolved with the Chief Tester immediately.
- It is signed by the Chief Tester
- It is signed by the Test Secretary
- The Pass or Fail box has been checked by the Chief Tester
- The individual score sheets of the testers are attached to the upper left corner of the entry form in the following order:
 1. Chief Tester on top, followed by the
 2. Testers in alphabetical order, followed by the
 3. Apprentice testers in alphabetical order.

Note: The apprentice tester score sheets are also used by testers and Chief Testers wishing to add to their experience in the scoring of dogs but not serving as the official Chief Tester or tester for this test.

Insure that the Secretary - Verification Report is completed and signed by all testers and station workers.

Information to have available at the secretary's table - name, address and telephone number of the following, as well as access to a telephone:

- Nearest hospital/emergency care center
- Nearest veterinary hospital/ clinic
- Police

Helpful equipment:

- Notebook - to take names and/or addresses for the next test
- Office supplies –

Clipboards	Rubber bands
Paper clips	Stapler / staples
Pens/pencils/erasers/white-out	Table / chairs
Pocket folders	
- Other items –

Bug repellent	Scissors
First aid kit	Sign board
Masking tape	Disinfectant /
Rope	odor eliminator

After the Test

Send all test materials to ATTS within seven (7) days after the test.

- Use only **CERTIFIED RETURN RECEIPT MAIL**
- Include in the packet:
 - ALL ENTRY FORMS (including those for dogs entered but not tested)
 - Secretary - Verification Report form
Host Organization's check to ATTS for recording fee for each dog entered. Dogs entered but absent must be included in the calculation of the recording fee. Current Calculation of recording fees will be on the Secretary - Verification Report. Can also be found on the price list on our website: www.ATTS.org

Chief Tester, Testers and Apprentice Testers

The Chief Tester is in charge of all phases of the temperament test on that day. It is his/her responsibility to ensure the orderly conduct of the test. His/her decisions are final for the day of the test, but may be appealed as described under DECISIONS AND GRIEVANCES.

Testers and apprentice testers participate in evaluating dogs in a fair and impartial manner and assist the Chief Tester when requested. (Chief Testers and testers may serve as apprentice testers in order to gain further experience or for advancement.)

All testers must sign the Secretary - Verification Report prior to assuming their duties.

Station Worker Duties

The main responsibility of the station worker is to perform his/her station task consistently for each dog tested.

In cases where the station worker is not in a position to see when his/ her action should occur, he/she may rely on a given signal from a designated assistant.

All station workers must sign the Secretary - Verification Report prior to assuming their duties.

At some point during the temperament test it may become necessary for a station worker to be relieved on a temporary or permanent basis for a

number of reasons:

- The dog being tested knows the station worker
- The station worker may wish to test his/her own dog
- Planned rotation, time constraint, etc.

It is the responsibility of the Test Organizer to plan for substitute station workers.

Prior to assuming his/her assigned station, the substitute station worker must be familiar with the performance of the duty for that subtest. This can best be accomplished by observing the currently assigned station worker and practicing the routine during periods of inactivity.

Also, prior to assuming the assignment, the substitute worker must sign the secretary Verification form and inform the Chief Tester which station he/she will be working. Any questions or problems can then be resolved without influencing the consistency of the temperament test.

The following paragraphs describe the station workers' actions.

Neutral Stranger

On instruction from the Chief Tester, the dog/handler team moves toward the first marker(s). The neutral stranger approaches the team from the front at a 45-degree angle, arriving at the marker(s) simultaneously with the handler. The neutral stranger stops within arm's length of the handler, shakes hands and engages the handler in conversation for approximately 10 to 15 seconds, ignoring the dog. The neutral stranger then returns to his/her starting point. The neutral stranger does not come from behind a blind. He/she should approach from the left front of the handler.

Friendly Stranger

On instruction from the Chief Tester, the team walks toward the second marker(s). The friendly stranger approaches the dog from the front at a 45-degree angle in an enthusiastic, happy, manner, verbally attracting the dog's attention, arriving at the marker(s) simultaneously with the dog. The friendly stranger is exuberantly, friendly to the dog; ignoring the handler, he/she pets the dog for approximately five to ten seconds, but does not bend directly over the dog. The friendly stranger then returns to his/her starting point. He/she does not come from behind the blind, but should approach from the left front of the handler.

Hidden Noise

As the team comes to within 20 feet of the well-hidden assistant, the assistant begins to continuously rattle a metal bucket containing rocks or metal parts. When the dog is approximately 10 feet away, the assistant steps from behind the blind, still rattling the bucket, sets it smoothly on the ground, and disappears behind the blind. For dogs too small to put their heads inside the upright bucket, the assistant lays the bucket on its side with the opening toward the dog.

Gun Test

When the Chief Tester indicates, the team proceeds to the next marker(s) and stands with their backs toward the blind concealing the assistant. The assistant then fires three shots into the air in the following manner: SHOT - PAUSE - SHOT - SHOT. The assistant should wear ear plugs or other ear protection. When it is necessary to use the 2 x 4-s. the station worker should clap them forcefully together in the same pattern as the gunshots.

Umbrella Test

When the Chief Tester indicates, the team will proceed toward the umbrella station. The assistant sits relaxed and motionless in a chair holding a man's black, normal-size, self-opening (spring loaded) closed umbrella horizontally in front and at a 90-degree angle to the path of the approaching team. The assistant is looking straight ahead showing no challenging behavior. When the dog is five feet from the umbrella, looking toward the umbrella, the assistant releases the catch and smoothly lowers the opened umbrella until it comes to rest with two points touching the ground. The assistant holds the handle firmly in the horizontal position, still at a 90-degree angle to the approaching team, with no further movement. The assistant may close the umbrella well after the team has left the station.

The Weird Stranger

The team walks to the last designated marker(s) and stops. The weird stranger is dressed in a floppy coat/overcoat, wears a wide-brimmed hat and has a hidden undergarment sleeve (no Schutzhund sleeve). He carries a riding crop (or stick no heavier than a riding crop) no longer than four feet.

TEST 8: The hidden weird stranger first attracts the dog's attention with strange noises and unintelligible sounds (avoiding any influential words or commands). He/she immediately emerges from behind the blind, continuing

to make weird sounds, staggering and stumbling (in a non-challenging manner) across the team's anticipated path to the first marker (approximately 38 feet from the stationary handler).

TEST 9: After crossing their path, the weird stranger turns toward the dog, hesitates briefly, and advances 10 feet toward the team (to the second marker) continuing to make weird sounds and motions, waving the riding crop above the shoulders.

TEST 10: The weird stranger hesitates momentarily, continuing to make weird sounds and motions; he/ she uses the riding crop to strike the ground 6 times as he/she advances an additional 10 feet to the third marker (18 feet from the handler). The weird stranger then backs away in a furtive, hesitant and uncertain manner, looking once over his/her shoulder toward the dog while retreating behind the blind.

Hosting an ATTS Temperament Test

How to Apply

The first step is to contact the headquarters of the American Temperament Test Society, Inc. Please refer to our website for the current address and telephone number of the headquarters office.

American Temperament Test Society, Inc.
<http://www.ATTS.org>

The telephone is connected to a 24-hour recorder in case there is no one to answer your call. ATTS will return calls as soon as possible (within 24 hours). Calls will be returned at the time you specify, if possible (state area code, time and time zone). If requesting material to be mailed, please spell name and address.

ATTS will send by return mail all forms and information necessary to apply to hold an ATTS Temperament Test.

All applications must be submitted to ATTS headquarters a minimum of 120 days prior to the scheduled test date. There are two reasons for planning this far in advance.

First, in order to avoid conflicting schedules, ATTS must notify the Chief Tester (or Teaching Chief Tester if this is the first temperament test for the Host Organization) as far in advance as possible. If the test Organizer

requests a specific Chief Tester, ATTS will normally honor that request. However, ATTS reserves the right to assign another Chief Tester.

Second. ATTS plans to advertise all scheduled ATTS temperament tests in trade publications and the internet (world-wide-web). In order to comply with the publication deadlines, all proposed ATTS tests must be scheduled far enough in advance of the publication deadline.

The test application form must be accompanied by the ATTS flyer which will be used by the Host Organization for their own advertising purposes. This flyer must contain the name of the Host Organization, the time, date and location of the test along with detailed directions to the test site. The ATTS fee is preprinted on the flyer. Some organizations find it necessary to charge an additional amount, such as park fees, etc. Any such additional charges must be cleared with ATTS headquarters and detailed separately on the flyer.

ATTS will notify the Test Organizer or his/her representative, as indicated on the application, whether or not the proposed test has been approved and the Chief Tester assigned. ATTS will notify and verify the availability of the assigned Chief Tester.

Test Entries

After a proposed temperament test has been approved, ATTS will mail all necessary entry forms, etc. to the Host Organization. It is then the responsibility of the Host Organization to distribute these entry forms and copies of the approved flyer. If additional entry forms are needed, the Host Organization may make an unlimited number of copies of the ATTS entry form, provided both sides of the entry form are copied.

Completed entry forms along with the appropriate entry fees (made payable to the Host Organization) should then be mailed to the Host Organization. Acknowledgement of receipt of the entry should then be mailed to each participant.

Financial Obligations of the Host Organization

A percentage of the ATTS entry fee of \$30.00 per dog remains with the Host Organization. The ATTS fee and the amount retained by the Host Organization are calculated as follows:

Number of dogs entered	ATTS Fee	Host Organization Retains
25 or more	\$22.00	\$8.00
11 to 24	\$24.00	\$6.00
10 or fewer	\$27.00	\$3.00

ATTS is responsible for the following costs incurred by the Chief Tester: transportation from his/her home to the test site and return, lodging, meals, and modest compensation as determined by the ATTS Board of Directors in its sole discretion. The Host Organization is responsible for all other costs associated with conducting a temperament test, i.e. equipment, sanitary facilities, etc.

Because of the expense involved in sending a Chief Tester to officiate at an ATTS temperament test, ATTS requests a 30-dog minimum entry when a Chief Tester must be sent from out-of-town. If a local Chief Tester is available, a 25-dog minimum entry is suggested.

Personnel Obligations

The Host Organization is responsible for furnishing two testers, up to three apprentice testers (optional), and the station workers. The Host Organization may draw personnel:

- From club membership
- From sister organizations
- By contacting ATTS for suggestions
- From volunteer testers and apprentice testers (Any tester or apprentice tester may contact the Host Organization and volunteer his/her services)

All expenses incurred by the testers, apprentice testers or station workers are the responsibility of the individual tester, apprentice tester or station worker.

Insurance

ATTS recommends that the Host Organization carry sufficient insurance when hosting a temperament test.

Test Cancellation

All canceled/postponed tests require immediate notification by telephone to ATTS headquarters, followed by a written explanation within 10 days giving the reason for the cancellation or postponement. All entry monies must be refunded by the Host Organization within 10 days of the test date.

A decision to cancel or postpone a temperament test because of anticipated low attendance, or for any other reason, must be made jointly between the Host Organization and ATTS. When an out-of-town Chief Tester is to be scheduled, it is important to make the cancellation decision as early as possible since travel arrangements (non-refundable airline reservations) have to be made at least 15 days in advance. ATTS reserves the right of initiative, in consultation with the Host Organization, to cancel a scheduled test for low anticipated attendance or any other valid reason.

Rain or other inclement weather is not a reason for canceling a temperament test. A thunderstorm, however, is cause for delaying the test until the storm has passed. The Chief Tester is responsible for this decision.

Applying For Apprentice Tester Status

Apprentice tester applications are included in every packet sent to a Host Organization. These should be completed in as much detail as possible and forwarded to ATTS headquarters well in advance of the temperament test. The appropriate application fee (listed on the application) must be included. A prospective applicant may also contact ATTS headquarters and ask for apprentice tester forms or download it from our website.

www.ATTS.org

Progression From Apprentice Tester To Tester To Chief Tester

Apprentice Tester Applicant

Fill out and mail an Apprentice Tester Application Form with application fee to ATTS Headquarters. Address can be obtained from the ATTS website: www.ATTS.org

Apprentice Tester Requirements:

The Applicant must be 21 years of age and have a minimum of five (5) years of current experience working with dogs, and a sound knowledge of animal behavior. Activities should include activity in one or (preferably) more of the following:

Agility	Sledding
Conformation	Teaching
Dog Grooming	Therapy
Herding	Veterinarian
Obedience	Veterinarian Assistant
Schutzhund/French Ring	Canine Behavioral Courses
Search and Rescue	Other dog-related activities

Apprentice Tester Applicant

Duties include:

- Learning to score dogs - This is done under the direct supervision of a Certified Chief Tester at:
 - At least 1 test with 10 or more dogs tested
 - Advancement to AT is automatic

Apprentice Tester

Duties include:

- Continue learning to score dogs - This is done under the direct supervision of a Certified Chief Tester at:
 - Two (2) Tests and 60 dogs scored, or
 - Three (3) Tests and minimum 20 dogs scored per test
 - Serve as a station worker for at least one test of at least 10 to 15 dogs
 - Advancement to PT is automatic

Provisional Tester

Must have completed Apprentice Tester duties and have a recommendation from a Certified Chief Tester, and in addition:

Duties include:

- Continue learning to score dogs – This is done under the direct supervision of a Certified Chief Tester at:
 - Two (2) tests and 60 dogs scored, or
 - Three (3) tests and 20 dogs scored per test
 - Serve as a station worker for at least one test of at least 10 to 15 dogs. This is preferably for a station other than that worked during the apprentice period
 - Written exam must be requested and passed

Temperament Tester

In order to become a Tester, one must complete provisional tester duties, have a recommendation from a Certified Chief Tester, pass a written exam on temperament testing in general and on the temperament of frequently tested breeds.

Duties include:

Continuing to score dogs - This is done under the guidance of a Certified Chief Tester at:

- Two (2) Tests - Minimum 60 dogs scored per test
or
- Three (3) tests - Minimum 20 dogs scored per test
- Serve as a station worker for at least one test of at least 10 to 15 dogs. This is preferably a station other than those worked previously.

Advancement is automatic.

Provisional Chief Tester

Must have completed temperament tester duties and have a recommendation from a Certified Chief Tester, and in addition:

Duties include:

- Conduct walk-through, score dogs, and deliver critiques to dog owner/handler at:
 - Two (2) Tests - Minimum 60 dogs under the direct supervision of a Certified Chief Tester (for a total of eight (8) tests with at least 240 dogs tested)

- **Candidate must have worked at least 5 stations.**
 - Candidate must be recommended by another Chief Tester.
- After completion of the two tests as well as the 5 stations, as a provisional Chief Tester, the candidate is then eligible to take the Chief Tester examination
 - After the successful completion of the above examination, the candidate has achieved Chief Tester status.
 - To be designated a Certified Chief Tester, the new Chief Tester will officiate at a minimum of two (2) temperament tests of at least twenty (20) dogs each under the observation of two different Teaching Chief Testers. The candidate must show that he/she can run all phases of a temperament test.

Note: In order to attain Chief Tester status:

- ATTS recommends, but does not require, that a person serve as test organizer and/or test secretary for at least one test.
- ATTS requires that a person serve as a station worker at Stations 1, 3, 4, 5 and either station 2 or stations 8, 9, 10.

These stations may be worked in any order and are listed here only to help any interested person to take steps to speed their completion of the requirements to become a Chief Tester.

Certified Chief Tester

A Certified Chief Tester may serve as a Chief Tester for his/her own club or organization and established testing groups in his/her local area.

Teaching Chief Tester

A teaching Chief Tester may serve as an instructor and Chief Tester for new or existing temperament testing groups or clubs whether they are local or outside the local area.

In order to become a teaching Chief Tester, a person would have to be a Certified Chief Tester and, in addition:

- Attend teaching seminars
- Be evaluated by video and/or another teaching Chief Tester. written and oral examination
- Be approved by the ATTS Board of Directors

RULES, REGULATIONS AND POLICIES OF ATTS

General

ATTS does not formally recognize the wolf hybrid as a dog and will not formally test the wolf hybrid, record the results, nor issue a certificate. Wolf hybrids may be tested for the purpose of owner education and for statistical information. Any wolf hybrid entered must be spayed or neutered with veterinary proof required.

Anyone wishing to conduct seminars, lectures or demonstrations representing ATTS or ATTS temperament testing or anyone involved in legal representation of ATTS must obtain permission from ATTS headquarters prior to accepting the assignment.

Entry fee checks are to be made out to the host club. No refunds will be made on the day of the test unless the Chief Tester determines a dog ineligible to be tested.

Conduct of the Test

Males and females (not in season) are tested first. Females in season are tested last.

All dogs tested must be at least 18 months of age.

Any dog not passing the temperament test must wait at least five months before retesting (unless otherwise requested by ATTS). There will be a maximum of two attempts for any dog to pass the ATTS test. (Retests require full entry fee.)

The Chief Tester is in charge. Those not adhering to the instructions of the Chief Tester will be refused participation in the test, or the test process will be canceled. In either case, no refund will be made.

Dogs are deemed unacceptable for testing and denied participation for the following reasons:

- | | |
|---------------------------|-----------------------------------|
| Bad temperament | Uncontrollable behavior |
| Poor health | Unprovoked biting |
| Poor appearance (neglect) | Overly aggressive behavior |
| Advanced pregnancy | Panic |
| Handicap | Rough handling by owner / handler |

Testers

Renewal fees for all approved testers for the current year must be paid between January 1 and January 31 of that year. A penalty of \$5.00 will be charged for late registration. (Renewal notices will be mailed to current testers.)

A tester whose registration has lapsed for one or more years must serve as an apprentice tester for a minimum of 30 dogs in order to be reinstated.

- New apprentice tester applications received between November 1 and December 31 will be credited to include the following year.
- Only registered testers will be eligible to test and will be credited with the number of dogs tested.
- No test will be approved unless all designated testers and apprentice testers have registered with ATTS headquarters.
- Tester may not score dog(s) they own, co-own or have owned, nor should they be on the field when such a dog is being tested, except as the dog's handler.

Chief Tester

The Chief Tester is in charge of all phases of the test for the duration of the test. He/she must ensure that the test is conducted in a fair, ethical, uniform manner for all dogs going through the ATTS temperament test.

The Chief Tester may not relinquish his/her duties to anyone except another Certified Chief Tester, and then only for good reason. (The Chief Tester may turn over his/her score pad to another tester when handling his/her own dog on the test course).

Applying to Hold an ATTS Temperament Test

An application to hold an ATTS Temperament Test must be submitted to ATTS headquarters a minimum of 120 days prior to the scheduled test date.

Appendix

QUESTIONS FREQUENTLY ASKED ABOUT ATTS

1. *How do I find out about scheduled tests?*

Write or call: American Temperament Test Society, Inc.

Current address and phone number is on our website:

www.ATTS.org

Note: The telephone is connected to a 24-hour answering machine to take your calls at any time.

2. *What is the entry fee?*

\$30.00 per dog entered.

3. *Who may enter an ATTS temperament test?*

- All pure-bred dogs
- All spayed or neutered mixed-breed dogs
- Mixed-breed dogs, which are not spayed or neutered, may enter and be tested but WILL NOT receive a certificate.

4. *What is the minimum age at which a dog may be tested?*

Minimum testing age is 18 months.

5. *What equipment do I need for my dog to enter a temperament test?*

- A slip metal or cloth collar
- A six-foot leash

6. *What, if any, preparation does my dog need?*

No special preparation or training beyond normal socialization and exposure to normal living is necessary.

7. *What is required on the entry form?*

- All information on the entry form must be filled out.
- The entry form must be signed.
- The entry form must contain BOTH front and back to be valid.
- Entry fee payable to the host club must accompany the entry.
- Information on the entry form MUST be legible.

8. *To whom should entry form be sent?*

Send entry form to the host club or organization.

9. *When may I expect to receive dog's certificate?*

- Certificates are issued within 10 to 12 weeks after test results are received at ATTS headquarters.
- Certificate errors due to illegible information on the entry form as submitted require a \$10.00 correction fee.
- Failure of an entry fee check to clear will result in withholding of the certificate until proof of payment is submitted.

10. *May I retest my dog?*

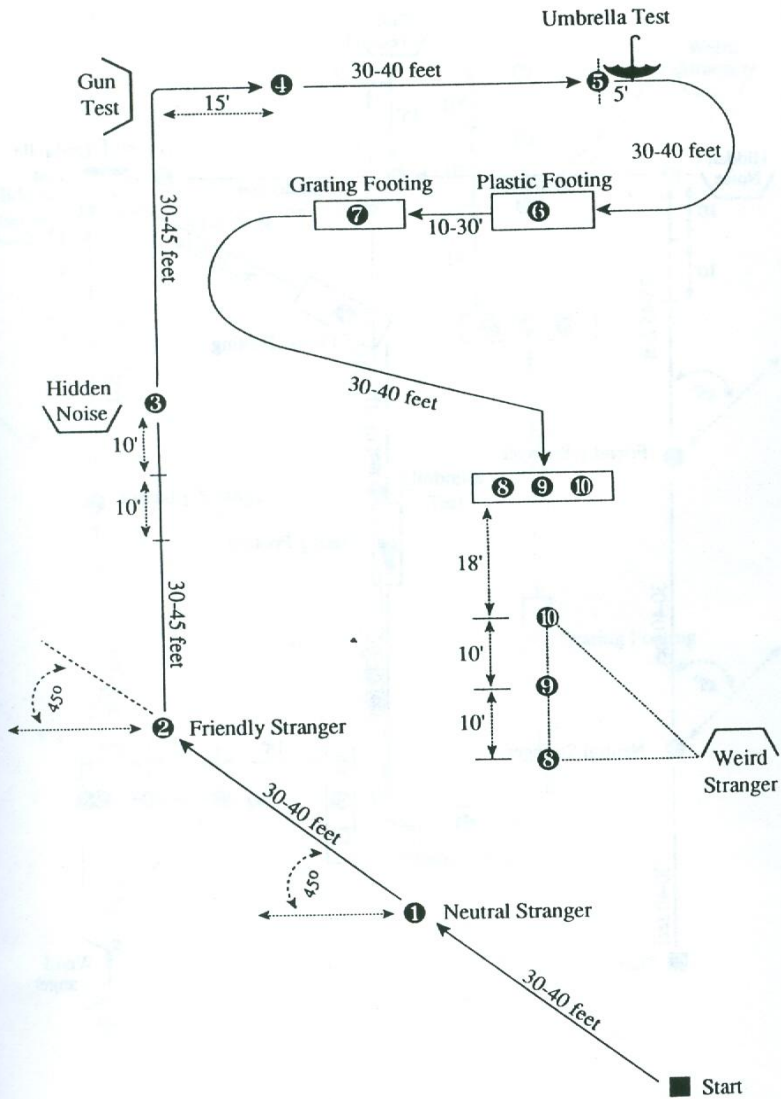
- A dog may be retested after a 5-month waiting period.
- A dog may attempt the temperament test only twice.
- Retest of any dog requires full entry fee.
- ATTS may on rare occasions request a retest of a dog. This requires no entry fee.

11. *How have you ensured that no one breed is being discriminated against?*

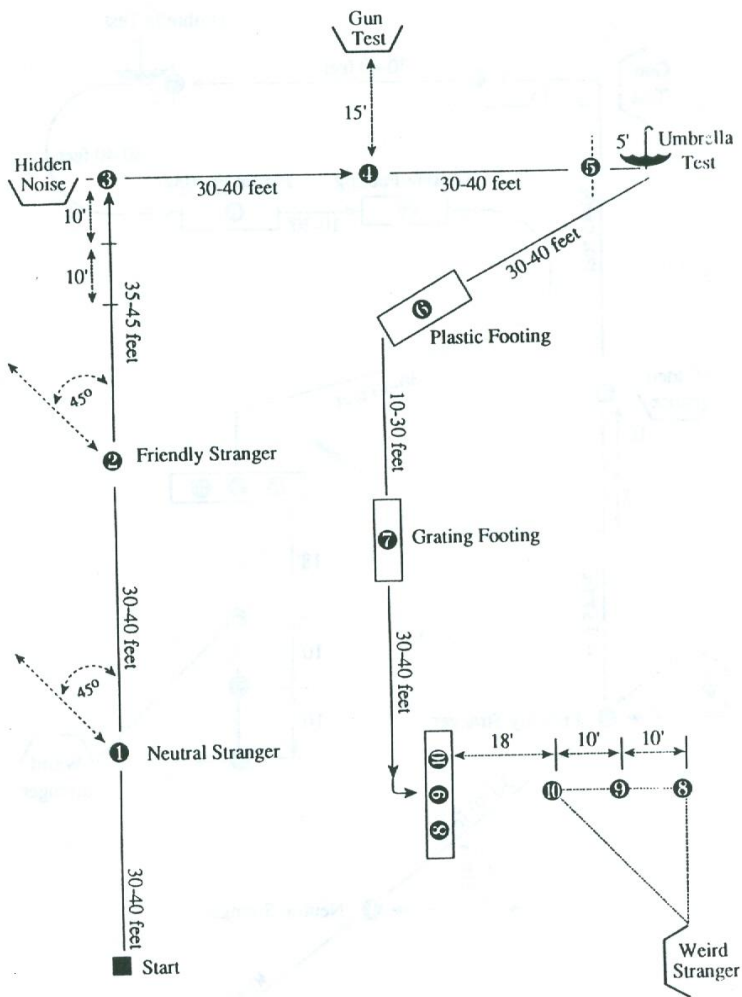
There are three evaluators assigned to each ATTS Temperament Test, including one Chief Tester. Each Chief Tester has undergone several years of training and has passed two examinations in addition to having fulfilled other requirements, i.e. worked as subtest station worker, evaluated the required number of dogs, worked as Test Secretary or Test Organizer. All breeds are evaluated in accordance with their breed characteristics and we do not advocate one breed over another.

12. *Where do funds come from and how do you ensure those funds do not apply any pressure towards the outcome of the tests?*

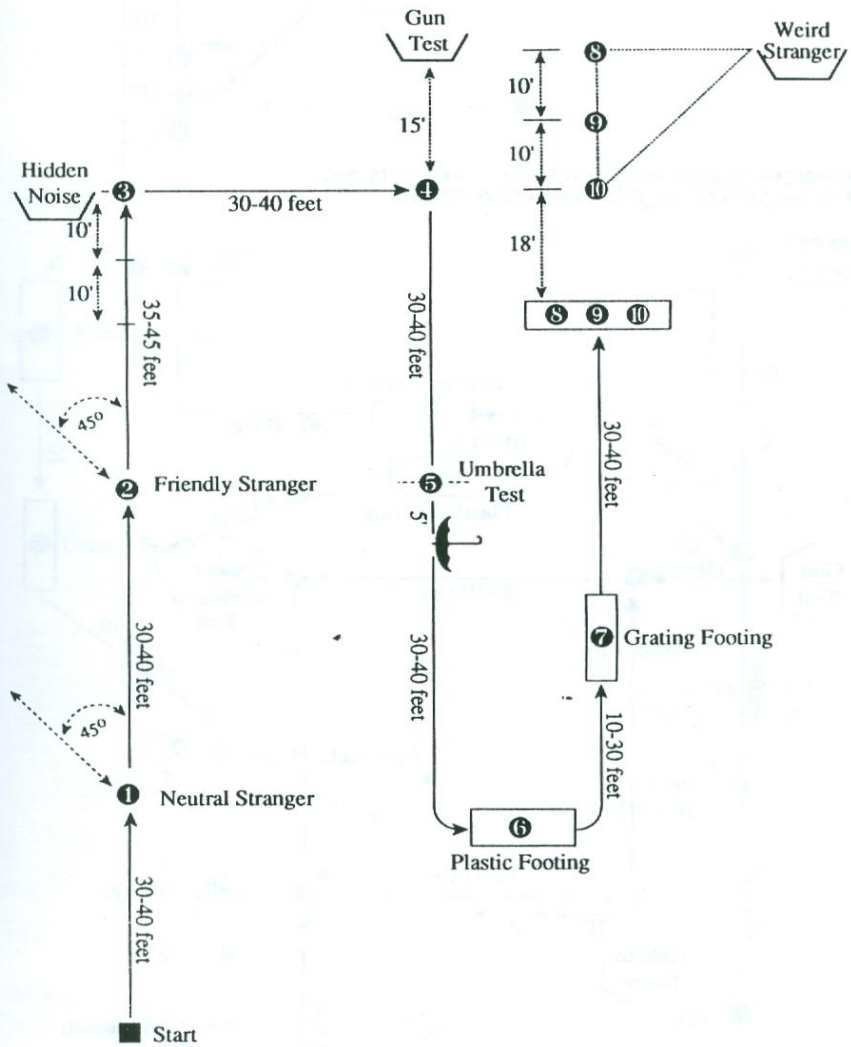
The funds we receive are from the entry fees paid for each dog taking the test. There is no outside funding. Each Chief Tester receives a small stipend for each test at which he/she officiates, regardless of the number of dogs tested or the breeds involved.



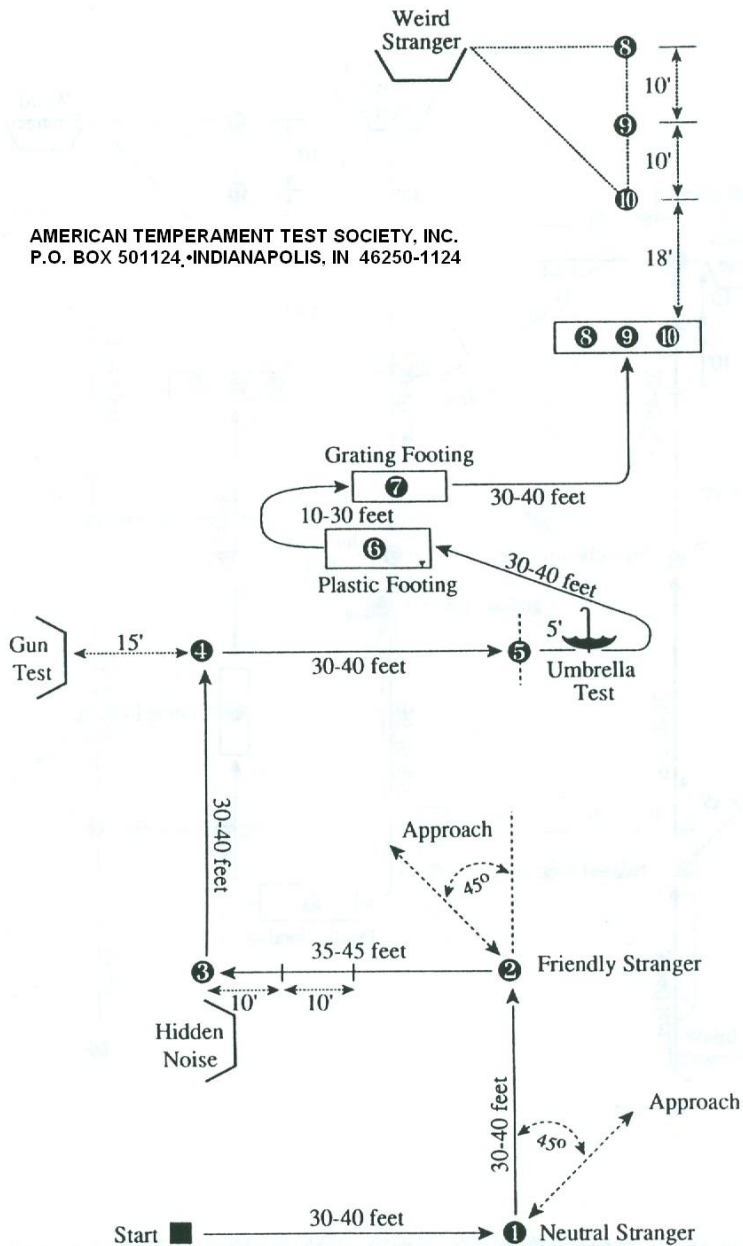
AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.
 P.O. BOX 501124, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250-1124



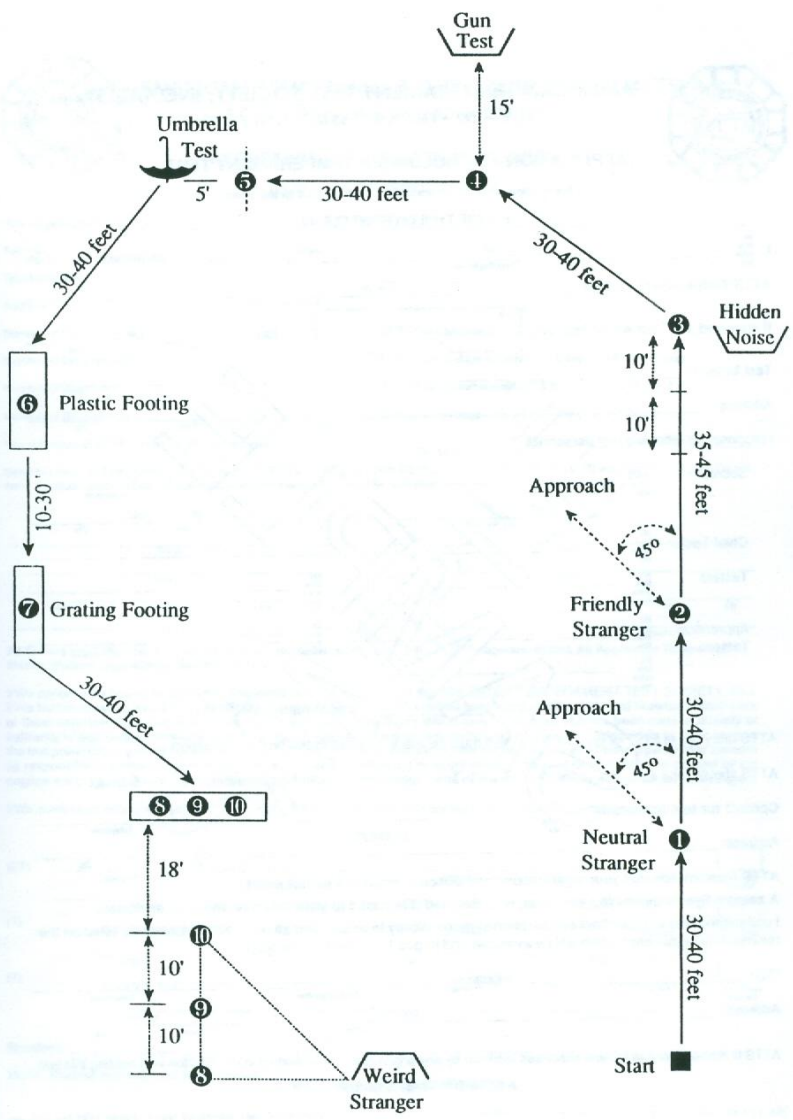
AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.
 P.O. BOX 501124, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250-1124



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.
 P.O. BOX 501124, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250-1124



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.
 P.O. BOX 501124, INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250-1124



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.
 P.O. BOX 501124 • INDIANAPOLIS, IN 46250-1124

Staple Tester Score Sheets here



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. (ATTS) © 1994
 P. O. Box 1124 • Indianapolis, IN 46250-1124 • Tel: (317) 288-4403

ENTRY FORM
 APPLICATION FOR TEMPERAMENT EVALUATION

FOR OFFICIAL USE ONLY
 TT NUMBER

SECRETARY TEST # THIS DAY	ATTS USE	ATTS OFFICE TEST #			
		ENTER TEST DATE	MONTH	DAY	YEAR

Please type or print clearly. Certificates are prepared according to legible information provided on this form. Certificates are issued within 90 days. There is a \$10.00 fee for re-issue of certificate.

Owner: _____ Handler: _____
 (Print) Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms. (Print) Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.

Send certificate to: Owner (Print Name): _____
 Handler Mr. Mrs. Miss Ms.

Address: _____
 (Street) (Do not abbreviate) City State Zip

Telephone Number (Area Code): _____ Email: _____

Name of Dog: _____ "Call Name": _____
 (Print legibly) (List all titles and degrees)

Breed of Dog: _____

D.O.B. > Age (in months): _____ Registry(s) & No(s): _____
 (18 months minimum)

Dog's State of Health: _____ Dog's Disposition: _____

This Dog Has Bitten a person. If yes provide details on separate sheet. *ATTS reserves the right to deny entry to any dog which has bitten a person. Entry fee will be refunded.* Has not Sex of Dog: M / F
 In Season

- | | | | | |
|-------------------------------------|--|--|---|--------------------------------------|
| <input type="checkbox"/> House Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Shown in Conformation | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Schutzhund | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Herding | <input type="checkbox"/> Pure Bred |
| <input type="checkbox"/> Kennel Dog | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Obedience | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Therapy | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in SAR | <input type="checkbox"/> Mixed Breed |
| | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Agility | <input type="checkbox"/> Working in Rally | <input type="checkbox"/> Other: _____ | <input type="checkbox"/> Neutered |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Spayed |
| | | | | <input type="checkbox"/> Rescued Dog |

Cash
 Check Check # _____ Six foot leash and slip collar required.

ATTS Non Refundable Entry Fee: \$25.00
 Make Check Payable to Host Organization

I understand and consent to be bound by the agreement on the reverse side and the decisions of the American Temperament Test Society.

Return completed Entry Form to Host Organization

 Signature in ink Date

TEST RESULTS WILL BE INCLUDED WITH CERTIFICATE FOR PURE BRED AND NEUTERED OR SPAYED MIXED BREDD DOGS PASSING THE TEMPERAMENT TEST. FOR OTHERS, RESULTS WILL BE FURNISHED TO OWNER ON REQUEST.

FOR ATTS OFFICIAL USE ONLY

- Average Test Scores
- | | |
|--|---|
| 1 <input type="checkbox"/> Neutral Stranger | 6 <input type="checkbox"/> Plastic Footing |
| 2 <input type="checkbox"/> Friendly Stranger | 7 <input type="checkbox"/> Grating Footing |
| 3 <input type="checkbox"/> Hidden Noise | 8 <input type="checkbox"/> Potential Threat |
| 4 <input type="checkbox"/> Guin Test | 9 <input type="checkbox"/> Recognizes Threat |
| 5 <input type="checkbox"/> Umbrella Test | 10 <input type="checkbox"/> Dog Is Threatened |

Dog passed ATTS Temperament test evaluation
 Dog did not pass ATTS temperament test evaluation

Notes: _____

 Chief Tester's Signature

 Secretary's Signature

A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY

COPYRIGHT 2001, AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. (ATTS) © 2007
 P. O. Box 1124 • Indianapolis, IN 46250-1124 • Tel: (317) 288-4403

SECRETARY- VERIFICATION REPORT
 PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Host Organization: _____

Test Date: _____ from: _____ Time _____ to: _____ Time _____

Test Location: _____
 Name of park _____

Address: _____

Number of Dogs Entered: _____

ATTS Fee Calculation:

Number of Dogs Passed: _____

A: 10 or fewer dogs entered, ATTS fee = \$23.00 per dog

Number of Dogs Failed: _____

B: 11 to 24 dogs entered, ATTS fee = \$21.00 per dog

Number of Dogs Absent _____

C: 25 or more dogs entered, ATTS fee = \$23.00 per dog

Fee submitted to ATTS: Number of dogs entered _____ x _____ = \$ _____, Check # _____

Send this form, all Entry forms, score slips, by CERTIFIED MAIL RETURN RECEIPT REQUESTED to the ATTS address given above. Do not send via other carrier. All material should be mailed within 10 days of test date.

Test Organizer

Test Secretary

Name				Name			
Address				Address			
City	State	Zip	Telephone	City	State	Zip	Telephone

All Testers must sign this form before they are allowed to participate in the ATTS Temperament Test. All Apprentice Testers and Station Workers must sign on the reverse side.

I/We agree to be bound by all Rules, Regulations and Guidelines of the AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. I/We further agree to hold ATTS, its officials, directors, agents, etc. harmless from any and all claims, and likewise to hold each of them harmless from any and all claims for any loss or any injury which may be alleged to have been caused directly or indirectly to any person, property or thing by my act, the act of a dog, test participant or anyone or thing while in, near or upon the test premises or grounds or any entrance thereto, or while en route to or from the test event, and I/we will personally assume all responsibility and/or liability for any such claim or loss, damage or injury whether caused or alleged to be caused by my negligence or any of the above aforementioned parties, or by the negligence of any other person or any other cause or causes.

I/We have read fully and completely understand this agreement, and consent to be bound by this agreement.

TESTERS

(CT)	Type or Print Name	Signature	Telephone	# of Dogs Tested
	Address	City	State Zip	
(T)	Type or Print Name	Signature	Telephone	# of Dogs Tested
	Address	City	State Zip	
(T)	Type or Print Name	Signature	Telephone	# of Dogs Tested
	Address	City	State Zip	

Signatures: _____ Secretary _____ Chief Tester

Note: Reverse side must also be completed

A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY

COPYRIGHT 2007 AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. (ATTS) © 2007
P. O. Box 1124 • Indianapolis, IN 46250-1124 • Tel: (317) 288-4403

APPRENTICE TESTER APPLICATION

PLEASE TYPE OR PRINT CLEARLY

Name: _____

Street: _____

City: _____ State: _____ Zip: _____

Vocation: _____ Telephone Number: (____) _____

Active in the sport # years _____; since _____ (must be active for the past 5 years or more).

Dog training experience: _____

Working Degrees/Conformation Titles earned with dogs: _____

Other dog sport activities: _____

SAMPLE

Offices/Positions held in dog clubs: _____

Club affiliations: _____

Application Fee \$20.00

\$ _____ Check enclosed

I am at least 21 years of age. I fully understand that the AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC. will not be held liable by me or anyone else in any way in connection with my offering assistance, voluntarily and independently, to any activities of ATTS, including preparations and travel to and from any ATTS activity or Temperament Test, whether or not the event is actually held.

_____ E-mail

_____ Signature

_____ Date

A SOUND MIND IN A SOUND BODY

COPYRIGHT 2006, AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.

Notes



AMERICAN TEMPERAMENT TEST SOCIETY, INC.

