## PUPPY APTITUDE TEST

This score sheet has been prepared for the convenience of those who have Dog Training For Dummies by Jack & Wendy Volhard (IDG Books, 2001), which contains the information necessary for accurate results and the correct interpretation of the scores.

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Puppy (color, sex) Green	M litter _	#11/16	date <u> </u>

TEST	PURPOSE	SCORE	#
SOCIAL ATTRACTION  Place puppy in test area about four feet from the tester. Tester kneels, leans backwards and coaxes	Degree of social attraction to people, confidence, or dependence.  Pack Drive.	Came readily, tail up, jumped, bit at hands.	1
		Came readily, tail up, pawed, licked at hands.	2
		Came readily, tail up.	3
		Came readily, tail down	(4)
the pup to her/him by clapping hands gently.		Came hesitantly, tail down.	5
Promote Disable		Didn't come at all.	6
FOLLOWING  The tester stands up and slowly walks away encouraging the puppy to follow. Make sure the pup sees you walk away. Coax puppy to follow by talking to it and attracting its attention.	Willingness to follow a person. Pack Drive.	Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot, bit at feet.	1
		Followed readily, tail up, got underfoot.	2
		Followed readily, tail up	3
		Followed readily, tail down.	4
to it and attracting its attention.		Followed hesitantly, tail down.	5
		Did not follow or went away.	6
RESTRAINT  The tester crouches down and gently rolls the pup or its back and holds it down with light pressure with one hand for 30 seconds.	Degree of dominance or submissive tendency, and ease of handling in difficult situations. Fight or Flight Drive.	Struggled fiercely, flailed, bit.	1
		Struggled fiercely, flailed.	2
		Settled, struggled, settled with some eye contact.	3
		Struggled then settled.	4
		No struggle, no eye contact.	5
		No struggle, straining to avoid eye contact.	6
	Degree of acceptance of social dominance by a person.  Pack Drive.	Jumped, pawed, bit, growled.	1
SOCIAL DOMINANCE		Jumped, pawed.	2
Puppy sits or stands on crouching tester's left side and tester gently strokes it from the head to back. Continue stroking until a recognizable behavior is established.		Cuddled up to tester and tried to lick face.	3
		Squirmed, licked at hands.	4
		Rolled over, licked at hands.	5
		Went away and stayed away.	6

Ignored sound, showed

no curiosity.

		Looked, attacked and bit.	1
SIGHT SENSITIVITY  The puppy is placed in the center of the testing area.  The tester ties a string around a bath towel and jerks it across the floor two feet away from puppy.	moving object, such as chasing bicycles, children or squirrels.	Looked, barked and tail up.	2
		Looked curiously, attempted to investigate.	3
		Looked, barked, tail- tuck.	4
		Ran away, hid.	5
STABILITY  An umbrella is opened about five feet from the puppy and gently placed on the ground.	Degree of startle	Looked and ran to the umbrella, mouthing or biting it.	1
		Looked and walked to the umbrella, smelling it cautiously.	(2)
		Looked and went to investigate.	3
	Fight and Flight Drive.	Sat and looked, but did not move toward the umbrella.	4
		Ran away from the umbrella.	5
		Showed no interest.	6
STRUCTURE		The puppy is correct in structure.	good
The puppy is gently set and held in a natural stance and evaluated for structure in the following categories:	Degree of structural soundness.	The puppy has a slight fault or deviation.	fair
Straight front			
Straight rear			
Shoulder lay back	Good structure is necessary.		
Front angulation	,,,	The puppy has an extreme fault or	poor
Croup angulation			
Rear angulation (see diagram below)		deviation.	

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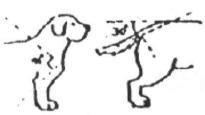




Straight rear -



Shoulder layback



Front angulation



Croup angulation



Rear angulation