

## DTA Novice Helper list of behaviours

	Name	Description and assessment criteria
1	<b>Sustained nose touch</b>	On cue dog touches an object with it's nose and holds it there for at least 3 seconds or until release cue
2	<b>Close the door</b>	On cue dog closes a door using paws. Repeat 3 times with the same or different door. Handler must not lure the dog up the door
3	<b>Ring the bell</b>	Dog rings the bell either using its mouth/nose or paw. Repeat twice
4	<b>Make it better</b>	Dog responds to handlers crying by coming and trying to console by licking, nosing or other positive means to stop the crying
5	<b>Kiss</b>	Dog gives the handler a kiss on cue by licking or touching with the nose handler's cheek. Repeat twice
6	<b>Bark</b>	Dog gives a single bark on cue. Repeat twice
7	<b>Fetch</b>	Dog brings a thrown object and delivers it to hand
8	<b>Bring it</b>	Dog fetches an object that the handler points at and delivers it to hand. The object must not be thrown by the handler before sending the dog to fetch.
9	<b>Bring and drop</b>	Dog fetches an object that the handler points at. Delivers it to the handler waits and drops the object down on cue rather than delivering to hand
10	<b>Give a hug</b>	On cue dog approaches and places both feet on handler shoulders. The handler is in kneeling, squatting position or sitting on the floor to be at dog's height level. Maintain the hug for at least 2 seconds
11	<b>Catch it</b>	On cue dog gets ready and catches a thrown toy. Repeat twice.
12	<b>Open the door</b>	Dog opens the door by pulling on a rope or a string attached to it. Repeat 3 times with the same door
13	<b>Unroll the mat</b>	On cue dog unrolls a rolled up mat, rug or similar by pushing with its nose. There must not be treats hidden inside of the mat to facilitate the action
14	<b>Hold and give</b>	Handler gives dog an object or a toy to hold. The dog holds the object in the mouth for 5 seconds and then releases it to the handler's hand on command. Demonstrate with 3 different objects
15	<b>Give or drop</b>	Dog holds an object. On specific cue the dog either gives the object to handler's hand or drops it. Repeat twice with each action in a random order.
16	<b>Tug</b>	Dog tugs on a rope on handler's cue. This must not be as a part of a play session
17	<b>Hand signals novice</b>	Dog performs 3 different behaviours on silent hand signals from the handler. The behaviours can be from any category.
18	<b>Press the button</b>	Dog uses paw or nose to press an easy large button which is within easy reach of the dog. Demonstrate twice
19	<b>Fetch remote</b>	Dog fetches the remote, brings it to handler and delivers to hand. The remote must be out of dog's sight
20	<b>Quiet</b>	Dog stops barking. Demonstrate twice
21	<b>Pick up</b>	Dog picks up the object and holds it for at least 2 seconds. Handler must then take the object from dog's mouth.

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22	<b>Make friends</b>	On command dog places head onto the helper's or handler's lap and keeps it there for at least 2 seconds
23	<b>Dig</b>	On command dog makes some digging movement on the ground
24	<b>Faster</b>	Dog goes faster. This can be off the lead or on the lead. The speeding up clearly needs to be demonstrated by the dog in response to the cue not as a slightly delayed reaction to the changing speed of handler
25	<b>Slower</b>	Dog goes slower. This can be off the lead or on the lead. The slowing down clearly needs to be demonstrated by the dog in response to the cue not as a slightly delayed reaction to the changing speed of the handler
26	<b>Get in the car</b>	Dog gets in to the car without pulling or resistance. The dog needs to start in a sitting position waiting for the handler to open the door before getting into the car.
27	<b>Cross road safely</b>	Dog sits down by the road crossing and stays at sit on a loose lead until the handler gives the cross the road command. Then dog walks quietly on a loose lead without pulling or stopping next to the handler across the road
28	<b>Distance work novice</b>	Dog performs 3 tricks at a distance of approximately 5m away from the handler. Dog can be either on a flat surface or a raised platform. Voice or hand commands or both are allowed. Any tricks are permitted
29	<b>Bring your leash</b>	On command dog brings handler the leash and delivers it to hand. The leash must be out of dog's sight and must not be simply pointed at by the handler.
30	<b>Light up the way</b>	Dog carries a switched on torch in it's mouth while walking next to handler for 10 steps. The dog needs to be next to handler on the lead or off the lead, but not necessary in the heel position. At the end of the exercise dog gives the torch to handler's hand
31	<b>Biking</b>	Dog runs near the handler riding a bike on a leash without pulling on the leash or running unsafely in front of the bike. This needs to be demonstrated for at least 20m.
32	<b>Mop the floor</b>	Dog takes the mop on a handle and moves the mop across the floor several times
33	<b>Close sliding draws</b>	Dog uses the nose or paw to push closed a sliding draw. Demonstrate twice
34	<b>Pull untie shoelaces</b>	Dog carefully pulls to untie single bow tied shoelaces
35	<b>Do the dusting</b>	Dog holding dusting cloth in it's mouth moves it across raised surface to "dust"
36	<b>Relaxed heel off leash</b>	Dog walks at heel position close to handler's leg but not necessary touch it but with a relaxed natural head position. Handler must demonstrate a change of direction with dog maintaining the position.
37	<b>Woof</b>	On cue dog makes a quiet whisper bark like sound. Repeat twice
38	<b>Selfie</b>	On cue the dog gets itself into a position behind the handler with the head over the handler's shoulder and looks in the same direction a the handler- as if ready for a selfie photo
39	<b>Bring your food bowl</b>	On cue dog brings the handler its food bowl and delivers to hand

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40	<b>Wait for your meal</b>	Dog waits by the food bowl until its given a permission by the handler to eat. The bowl must be on the floor rather being held by the handler.
41	<b>Mark</b>	On command dog goes to a mark (which can be raised off the ground or level with the ground). Dog needs to stay at the mark for at least 3 seconds or wait for the next command at the mark. Demonstrate with two different marks
42	<b>Munch munch</b>	On cue the dog makes several gentle snapping movements with its jaws along the handler's clothes like when dogs clean each other or pick the seeds from each other's fur
43	<b>Fireman carry</b>	Handler will safely pick up the dog and carry it over the shoulders with front feet over one shoulder and the back feet over the other shoulder. Handler then safely puts the dog back onto the ground. Dog needs to look comfortable and relaxed up there and remain in this position for at least 3 seconds. Not all dogs are suitable and it needs to be delivered safely for both the dog and the handler.
44	<b>Uncork bottle</b>	On cue dog pulls out cork or similar top from a bottle or container. This needs to be performed safely and handler might need to hold the bottle. No bottles under pressure, like champagne. The cork can be partially pulled out. This can be done with an alternative object.
45	<b>Fetch pillow</b>	On cue dog goes and brings handler cushion or pillow and delivers it to hand. The cushion must not be in dog's sight
46	<b>Double trick novice</b>	Dog performs two tricks simultaneously from Foundation or novice lists of tricks for example holding an object while walking at heel etc.
47	<b>Hold the rope</b>	Dog holds a rope, ends of scarf or a similar long object together with the handler with each holding one end of it. Dog needs to be at least a meter away from the handler. Hold for at least 3 seconds. This must not be a part of play action.
48	<b>Honking horn</b>	Dog operates a honking horn using mouth or paws. Demonstrate 3 times
49	<b>Shake off</b>	On cue dog shakes like if shaking off water after a bath. Repeat twice. Dog needs to be dry and the behaviour is clearly performed on cue
50	<b>Take off gloves</b>	On cue dog pulls off one and then second glove of handler's hand. Each of the gloves needs to be fully on your hand
51	<b>Open door handle</b>	Dog opens a door on a cue by pushing on a door handle with paws. Demonstrate twice with the same door. This is different from opening the door by pulling on a rope tied to the door
52	<b>Bring a tissue</b>	When handler sneezes dog fetches the handler the tissue and delivers to hand
53	<b>Open a bin</b>	Dog opens a foot bin which needs to be operated by stepping on a foot step. Demonstrate three times. Each time the dog needs to be called to the handler who is at least 1m away then go back to the bin and open it again
54	<b>Put an object into a swing top bin</b>	On cue dog puts an object into a swing top bin (this is not pedal foot bin, but the one where the lid swings open when one side is pushed and then swings back into place. Repeat with 3 objects
55	<b>Put an object into a lift lid bin</b>	Put an object into a bin or a box which lid can be lifted up on one side (securely attached on the other side) to put an object in and then it will close by itself. Repeat with 3 objects

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56	<b>Open velcro</b>	Dog opens or undoes an object by pulling velcro. This could be a box with velcro lid or sides, shoes or any other objects or part of objects that are held together by velcro. Repeat three times
57	<b>Pick up the leash</b>	Handler walks with the dog holding the leash then drops it. Dog needs to stop, pick up the leash and either hand it to the handler or carry the leash walking alongside the handler.
58	<b>Emergency recall</b>	Dog got it's attention fully onto a distraction (this could be a squirrel, running away person, ball and anything else that dog is tempted to chase). After the dog started to move into this direction the handler calls. The dog stops the chase, turns around and arrives back to handler.
59	<b>Put an object into open box</b>	Dog picks up a thrown object and puts it into an open box which is in front of the handler. Repeat twice