

Texas 4-H Dog Show Tricks Score Sheet

Points earned	Max points	Trick	Description
	13	Bang	Moving dog must drop to the ground on verbal command "Bang" and cease all movement until released by verbal command. Dog may be moving at any speed and may fall promptly or crawl into mock death. Command may be repeated for dramatic purposes.
	8	Beg or Sit up	Any single trick that involves dog sitting up on haunches from standard sit command shall be considered one and the same trick. Dog may sit up and/or wave one or both paws, etc.
	8	Catch and Carry	Must catch a tossed or thrown item and go to directed location or return item to handler. Dog must readily release item on command.
	12	Commando	Variation of ROLL OVER. Dog must be moving at walk, trot or gallop. Upon command, dog drops, rolls, then gets up and continues to move onward.
	20	Crippled Fish	From standing position dog drops one front shoulder to ground and pushes itself forward with 3 usable legs, giving appearance of an injured fish.
	8 <55lbs 17 >56lbs	Dance	On command, dog will rise to hind legs and walk at least two steps. Ideally, dog will circle while walking on hind legs. No dog may be baited into dancing.
	6	High Five Greeting	From sit or sit up command, dog must raise paw unassisted as though giving high-five sign or greeting. Paw contact with handler's upraised hand is optional.
	15	Hold and Carry	Handler places an uncommon inanimate object into dog's mouth for the dog to then carry a distance of at least 3 feet; i.e. a flag, egg basket or bouquet. Dog readily releases item on command. No animals-living or dead-or training devices may be carried as a trick. Common items such as ball, Frisbee, or food item will not be acceptable for use in this trick. Dog may carry item with or without handler alongside. May carry item from one directed location to another to another, if handler desires.
	5	Kiss	May be executed from a sit, sit up, or dance position. Dog licks its owner's face.
	15	Leap Through Hoop	Fixed hoop must be stabilized so as not to fall. Hoop may be held by assistant (who in no way cues dog), or it may be held by handler.
	17	On Trust	May be executed from prone, sit, sit-up or dance position. Place treat on dog's nose or between nose and eyes. Dog remains steady until given release to eat treat. Dog will snap treat before hitting ground.
	14	Pray	May be executed from a sit, sit up, prone or dance position. Dog covers its muzzle and/or eyes with both front paws until released by verbal command.
	14	Push with Nose	Dog is directed to push or roll an inanimate object, such as a beach ball.
	19	Push with Paws	(An 8" x 10" plywood board may be necessary if the arena is soft dirt.) Trick involves a child's baby buggy or other inanimate object that may be readily pushed by dog on its hind legs. Suggested minimal costuming for dog is an apron or party hat.
	10	Roll Over	Dog may be commanded through sit to down and into command of roll over. Owner may not squat in front of dog.
	5	Shake Hand with Paw	From the sit command, dog must raise paw unassisted and place it in outstretched hand of handler.
	12	Sleep or Dead Dog	Dog may be commanded through the sit to the down and into any prone position such as laying on side or on back with feet in the air.
	15	Vocabulary	Dog may demonstrate its understanding of a vocabulary beyond standard obedience and competition and/or hunting commands. Ex: handler may bring props such as feed sacks, sturdily mounted post representing a tree, and tub of water. Handler uses the word "Mouse" and dog pounces on sack as though trying to catch a hidden mouse. At the word "Squirrel", dog places its paws on mock tree and looks upward. At the word "Fish" the dog will look or leap into the tub of water. Commands will in no way resemble standard command of retrieval, but rather, indicate dog's understanding of uncommon words. At word "Bye-bye" dog might leap into a child-size car, wagon, or other mock vehicle of transportation. Use of boxes, crates, dog toys, sticks, rocks, and devices used to "kennel" dog are not acceptable.
	17*	Weave Walk or Serpentine	The dog weaves between the handler's legs as the handler is moving. *Judge may add points for extra effort)