

AKC Trick Testing via Video

With Shelter In Place orders in effect,

AKC is allowing us to test and award titles for passed tests, via video.

This has been an absolutely fantastic way for people to stay engaged with their dogs and to keep learning new skills while having a lot of fun!

- If possible please try to make your video one continuous feed with all level appropriate tricks included in that one video. You can pause your filming and restart during the creation of the one continuous video. If you need to, you can send multiple videos but please have them labeled properly. Sending 10 videos for one title can get a little complicated.
- Make yourself a list to use during your video; it can keep things moving along.
- While there is no official time limit or size for the videos (that might change) but for now just please bear in mind that I have to upload them so please keep them as short as possible. Most folks have been able to do 10 tricks in one 3 minute video quite easily IF you use your list.
- Video should be made no more than 2 weeks prior to the test date. Point being we need to see your dog with his current abilities, not tricks from months or years ago.
- Videos can be sent via email OR Facebook Messenger. We will also be happy to schedule live feed time for your test, via Facebook Messenger.
- Your dog must have passed its current level before testing for the next.
- Please allow us 24 hours to view and process your test UNLESS you are doing live feed. Results are then of course immediate.
- Note in the level descriptions (I can send you those) where and when you CAN use treats and marker rewards! The higher the level the more restrictions on treats so please read the descriptions. Treat rewards are allowed throughout most of the testing. (please review the descriptions!)
- YES you can talk to and encourage your dog during the testing/video! If the dog makes a mistake during your filming, try again! Just as in live testing, I want you and your dog to succeed!

As in we do in live in person testing, I can and will allow for some modifications of tricks, **to a point.**

IMPORTANT: If you choose to test via a sent video, should there be a trick that we cannot count as passable, the trick must be redone and resent.

This is why I would strongly recommend that you request a time slot for live feed video testing and or/be sure to check with me if you aren't sure.

(Just as in person testing, when testing more than one level at a time, you may submit your completed test forms to AKC for application of your titles HOWEVER note that AKC will only process ONE title per 24 hours.)

Cost of each test via video or live video feed is \$20 per dog per test

This fee covers our costs for your **official AKC title ribbon, forms and a certificate for each title.**

To REGISTER, just shoot me an email (or text) verifying that you've read these guidelines and that you agree to the fee.

Checks payable to Terri Vaira can then be mailed to Terri Vaira 2551 N 42nd Road Sheridan, IL 60551
OR you can pay by PayPal, account is terrivaira@aol.com

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