Dog Assessments

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If this goes well, do the temperament assessments. Please record all assessments as videos (using a phone) and then email videos (or links) to: sarah@diggityservicedogs.com.

1. Watch the dog from a distance to see if he appears aloof or friendly to passersby. ☐ Dog appeared aloof ☐ Dog appeared friendly

2. Approach the dog sideways. Do not speak or smile, just be neutral. See if he approaches you. ☐ Approached evaluator ☐ Did not approach evaluator

3. Now turn and face the dog, kneel, and give him a big smile and a happy greeting to see what reaction this elicits. ☐ Approaches happily, tail wagging ☐ Tail wagged but did not approach ☐ Dog remained aloof

4. Watch someone else walk the dog on-leash to see how much attention he pays to his human handler. ☐ Extremely excited ☐ Pulled constantly ☐ Timid / scared ☐ Tries to avoid being leashed ☐ Happily allows leash to be put on and looks to handler to see where to go.

5. Find a quiet spot where you can sit in a chair with the dog off-leash (or on a long leash if the area is not safely enclosed). Does the dog come back to visit you fairly quickly? ☐ Looks to human quickly and often ☐ Does not look to handler ☐ Totally focused on handler, remains closeby and awaits interaction or tries to elicit interaction Comment:_____

6. As long as you feel totally safe, lightly run your hands all over his/her body. Is she/he is okay with that? ☐ Yes ☐ No Will he let you handle his paws? ☐ Yes ☐ No Will he/she let you check his ears and inside his mouth. ☐ Yes ☐ No Comments:_____

7. When he is distracted, knock loudly on a wall. Does he bark? ☐ Yes ☐ No If so, how long before he quiets down? ☐ 5-10 seconds ☐ 10-60 seconds ☐ Minutes

8. Try handing him a small treat. Does he grab it from you or take it gently? ☐ Yes ☐ No If he grabs the first treat forcefully, tell him to "be gentle" by holding more of the next treat in your hand, refusing to give it to him until he's using his mouth nicely. Did he/she take the next treat(s) more gently? ☐ Yes ☐ No

9. How does the dog interact with other dogs? ☐ Friendly ☐ Playfully Excited ☐ Cautious ☐ Aggressive What behaviors did you observe? ☐ Barking ☐ Growling ☐ Piloerection (hair standing up) ☐ Mounting ☐ Play bow ☐ Submission roll Which image was the tail like? ☐ A ☐ B ☐ C ☐ D

10. Does the dog exhibit a high prey drive when exposed to cats or other animals? ☐ Yes ☐ No ☐ Unable to test

Explain/describe:_____

11. If possible, introduce the dog to children. You want him to look at them as if saying, "Where have you been? I've been waiting for you!"
The only dogs who are truly good with children are those who have grown up with children. Was the dog assessed with children? ☐ Yes ☐ No
Explain/describe:_____

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Comments:_____

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Service Dog Rescue Assessment

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DOG DETAILS

Shelter:_____ Rescue Org:_____ Dog's Name:_____

Location:_____ Evaluator:_____ Rescue Fee:_____

Breed(s):_____ Sex: ☐ M ☐ F Age:_____ Size: ☐ S ☐ M ☐ L ☐ XL

EVALUATION I.

Evalutator: _____ Environment:_____

Noise Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments:_____
Body Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments_____
The Fetch Test	☐ Great ☐ Good ☐ Nothing	Comments:_____

EVALUATION II.

Evalutator: _____ Environment:_____

Noise Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments:_____
Body Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments_____
The Fetch Test	☐ Great ☐ Good ☐ Nothing	Comments:_____

EVALUATION III.

Evalutator: _____ Environment:_____

Noise Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments:_____
Body Sensitivity	☐ High ☐ Medium ☐ Low ☐ None	Comments_____
The Fetch Test	☐ Great ☐ Good ☐ Nothing	Comments:_____

ADDITIONAL INFO

HISTORY: ☐ Found ☐ Owner Surrender ☐ Other Explain:_____

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REPRODUCTIVE: ☐ Unkown ☐ Spayed/Neutered ☐ Intact ☐ Has had puppies If so, when:_____

HEALTH: Heartworm: ☐ Negative ☐ Positive ☐ Unkown Vaccines: ☐ Up to Date ☐ Unknown ☐ Needs:_____

COMMENTS:_____

Has the dog ever been aggressive? ☐ Yes ☐ No Explain:_____