

DTA Advanced Athlete list of behaviours

1	Double hoop sequence	Handler holds 2 hoops, dog performs a sequence of 6 hoop jumps as instructed by the handler through the same hoop, alternating the hoops and changing the direction of the jump
2	Figure of 8 over jumps	Dog performs a figure of 8 over a jump by going over it, turning one direction, then going over and turning another direction. Repeat twice. Handler can indicate the direction of the turn each time, but it needs to be performed as flowing sequence without stopping in-between the jumps
3	Skateboard starter	Dog places at least 3 feet on a skateboard and moves with it for at least 1 meter
4	Under and over	Dog understands and differentiates between under and over command for the same raised object. Needs to be repeated 4 times, twice over and twice under in any sequence
5	Play basketball	Dog picks up and puts a ball into a low basketball net. Repeat 3 times
6	Cross paws while walking	Dog walks crossing it's front paws for 6 strides or copies the handler as he/she crosses the legs while walking
7	Tic tack	Dog jumps onto a vertical or slightly angled stable surface and then perform a tight turn landing straight back down. Each foot must touch the object, ideally only once and the time of the paw contact should be minimal. Needs to be performed from both sides
8	Penguin	Dog positions itself between handler's feet, puts it's front paws one on each handler's feet and walks with handler that way forward and backwards for at least 5 steps in each way
9	Walk tall	Dog walks forward for 5 steps standing tall on its back legs without support demonstrating good balance
10	Front paws stand with support	Dog goes backwards and puts its back paws up on a vertical or nearly vertical solid stationary object and performs front paws stand for at least 2 seconds. Dog needs to demonstrate a good balance and ability to do it on it's own. Handler needs to choose a safe and appropriate place for this trick and be ready to support the dog if needed.
11	Circle backwards	Dog circles a handler or a stationary object by going backwards and performs a full circle remaining as close to the object as possible. Demonstrate in both directions
12	Reverse to position between handler's legs	Dog starts in front of the handler. On cue the dog reverses from at least 4 dog's body lengths backwards to the position between handler's legs
13	Back up onto an object	Dog backs up for at least 4 dog body lengths to a slightly raised object (dog's bed, mat etc) and puts its back feet on it and stays in that position for at least 3 seconds.
14	Train walk	Dog puts front feet up on a handler's back and they walk together like that for 5 steps. Handler must not interfere with or support the dog's feet
15	Play volley ball	Dog bounced the ball back to you using its nose. Repeat 3 times

16	Goal	Dog using it's nose or paw(s) with intent and direction rolls a ball into a football net or between "goal posts". Repeat 3 times. The goal needs to be clearly attempted not necessary succeeded
17	Hand signals advanced	Dog performs 6 different behaviours/skills on hand signals from the handler. The behaviours can be from any category.
18	Rear foot target touch	Dog touches a target with a rear foot. Repeat twice
19	Distance work advanced	Dog performs 6 tricks at a distance of approximately 5m away from the handler. Voice or hand commands or both are allowed. Any tricks are permitted
20	Press-ups	On cue dog alternates between lowering it's front legs to the floor like when taking a bow and then straightening them up like when standing straight. Repeat the sequence 3 times
21	Hind legs push-ups	Dog is in the down position and on command lifts its hind legs of the floor and then goes flat in its down position again. Repeat 3 times
22	Loop the loop	On command dog continuously goes around until the handler gives the stop command (for at least 5 circles). Demonstrate in both directions
23	4 paws on small object	Dog steps, jumps or hops to put 4 of the paws on a small object which is about half of the dog's body length in size or less. The object needs to be raised off the floor, but at a safe height for dog and the handler should be ready to support the dog if required.
24	Get inside a small box	Dog climbs or hops inside an object with 4 sides which is equal or smaller in size than half a dog's length. All 4 paws must get inside of the object and stay there for at least 3 seconds
25	Frisbee catch with a vault	Dog catches frisbee with a vault using handler's back, leg or a stationary solid object
26	4 feet on targets	On cue dog puts each of the 4 feet each on a separate target. The targets can be flat toys, cushions, mats, paper etc
27	2 back paws on different objects	On cue dog puts each of the back feet on a separate raised off the ground object (could be pods, books, cushions etc). The objects can be the same or different. Dog stays in this position for 3 seconds.
28	Crab	Dog steps sideways and places a front and back paw that are on the same side on a raised object. Repeat with both the left side and the right sides.
29	Rails	Dog walks forward on two parallel long objects that are raised off the floor (like 2 planks of wood or similar) that are apart from each other at about the dog's shoulder width or less- for 5 dog steps. Be ready to support the dog if required.
30	Competitive heel with turn and automatic sit	Dog walks with the handler in competitive style heel position maintaining eye contact. Execute one turn in each direction together with the handler and demonstrate the automatic sit when the handler stops.
31	Spanish steps	Dog independently of the handler on cue walks forward raising feet high in a marching fashion. Perform for 10 dog steps counting dog's front feet.
32	Horizontal hoop sequence	Dog jumps through a series of two or more horizontally held (parallel to the floor) hoops. Demonstrate twice in each direction as a flowing action.
33	Retrieve from under the water	On cue the dog retrieves an object from under the water requiring the dog to fully submerge its head under the water

34	Back stall	On cue dog jumps onto the handler's back and stays there for at least 3 seconds until released. Repeat 3 times. The handler needs to bend and present a flat back for the dog to jump on. Handler can be standing, sitting or kneeling. The handler needs to be responsible and aware of own and dog's safety and choose the appropriate height and surface
35	Turn	On cue dog performs 180 degree turn. Demonstrate turn from facing the handler to facing away from handler and from facing away to facing towards the handler.
36	Ride skateboard	Dog goes by itself and pushes independently and rides skateboard for at least 5m outside
37	Walk with a limp back paw	On cue dog walks with a limp on 3 paws, holding one of the front paws up. Repeat for 4 dog steps
38	Choo Choo	Dog puts both front paws up on handler and keeps them there standing on the same spot while the handler makes 360 degree turn around himself or herself. Do not support the dog
39	Barrel roll	Dog puts all 4 feet on the top of a barrel and independently rolls it forwards or backwards for 5 dog steps (count front feet)
40	Cavaletti backwards	Dog steps over 5 cavaletti or similar raised planks (could be just wide ladder) slightly raised off the ground) walking backwards while demonstrating full coordination of front and back paws. Make sure that the distance between the individual planks is appropriate for the dog
41	Cavaletti sideways	Dog steps over 5 cavaletti or similar raised planks (could be just wide ladder) slightly raised off the ground) walking sideways while demonstrating full coordination of front and back paws
42	Hip hop front paws	Dog puts one of the front paws on a raised object while the other one stays on the ground. Dog then swaps paws on the raised objects in one smooth hop- as the result the second paw is now on the raised object while the first one is one the ground. Repeat 3 times as a sequence
43	Side balance	Dog lifts both front and back paws on one side. Demonstrate with both sides
44	Diagonal balance	To a cue dog lifts simultaneously front and back paws on the opposite sides of the body. Repeat twice
45	Side steps	Dog puts front and back paws on the same side of the body on a long slightly raised object (wood plank, cushions etc) and on cue moves sideways in one flowing step and puts the other pair of paws (front and back on the same side) on a raised object, while the previous pair is now on the floor. Repeat 3 times.
46	Orbit ball	Dog puts both front paws on a ball (football or similar appropriate to the dog's size) and performs a full circle around it in both directions, keeping the front paws on the ball and moving around on back legs. The ball must be free to move around and dog needs to keep control of the ball independently of the handler
47	Double trick advanced	Dog performs two tricks simultaneously, at least one of the tricks needs to be from the advanced list of tricks (for example holding an object and skateboarding)
48	Monkey carry	Dog walks on 3 legs carrying an object in the bend inwards front paw (picture a monkey carrying something clutching to its chest). Perform for 3 dog steps.

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49	Handstand barrel	Dog independently puts its back paws up on standing handler's legs and handler then picks up dog's hind paws into his/her hands. Move together for at least 5 dog steps with dog's paws on the ground and hind paws supported by the handler in his/her hands
50	Hind paws elephant trick	Dog puts both hind paws onto a raised object and on cue performs full circle around it keeping the hind paws up on the object and move around using front paws. Demonstrate in both directions
51	Bottoms up	From the "down" position on cue dog raises its hind end off the ground and gets into "bow" position, hold the position for 3 seconds and on cue go back into "down". Repeat 3 times
52	Boogie	Dog starts in down position at least one dog's body length in front of a jump. On cue dog crawls backwards under the jump until the dog's nose ends up facing the jump.
53	Skip through hoop	Handler rotates a hoop while dog skips over it. Dog can start the skip from any position and remain in any position between the skips
54	Hoop dive	Handler holds hoop horizontally to the floor. Dog position is outside of the hoop to one side. On cue dog jumps over into the middle of the hoop then goes under the further side of the hoop and jumps in from the other side and goes under the side. You can imagine it as figure of 8 hoop jumps- over/in/under/over/in/under