Dogs New Zealand

CANINE GOOD CITIZEN MANUAL

MISSION STATEMENT
Creating well mannered dogs and encouraging responsible owners.
# TABLE OF CONTENTS

**Canine Good Citizen – General Provisions** ................................................................. 1

**Canine Good Citizen Foundation** .............................................................................. 4

1. Appearance, handling and responsibility ................................................................. 4  
   a. Responsibility and care ......................................................................................... 4
   b. Public cleanliness and identification ..................................................................... 5
   c. Examination of the dog by handler ...................................................................... 5
   d. Grooming and inspection of the dog by the assessor .......................................... 5

2. Food manners ............................................................................................................. 6  
   a. Person eating ........................................................................................................ 6
   b. Dog eating ............................................................................................................. 6

3. Accepting a friendly stranger .................................................................................. 6

4. Accepting being patted by a friendly stranger ....................................................... 7

5. Walk on lead through a door/gate in a controlled manner ........................................ 8

6. Return to handler ..................................................................................................... 8

7. Walk on lead ............................................................................................................. 8

8. Controlled walk through people and distractions .................................................... 9  
   a. Pedestrian traffic .................................................................................................. 9
   b. Distractions .......................................................................................................... 10

9. Stay tied on lead ....................................................................................................... 10

10. Controlled walk past another dog ......................................................................... 11

11. Supervised separation ............................................................................................ 11

12. Playing with the dog .............................................................................................. 12

**Canine Good Citizen – Bronze** ................................................................................ 13

13. Responsibility and care .......................................................................................... 13

14. Food manners ......................................................................................................... 13

15. Stay in one place (untied, handler in sight) ............................................................ 14

16. Stay tied on lead (handler out of sight) ................................................................. 15

17. Staying still and return to handler ......................................................................... 15

18. Stationary vehicle control ..................................................................................... 16  
   a. Into a vehicle ........................................................................................................ 16
   b. Out of a vehicle ..................................................................................................... 16

19. Control at steps ...................................................................................................... 17

20. Walk on lead and reaction to distractions in a public area ..................................... 17  
   a. Walk on lead ........................................................................................................ 17
   b. Distractions .......................................................................................................... 18
<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Canine Good Citizen – Silver</strong></th>
<th>19</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>21. Responsibility and care</td>
<td>19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22. Examination of the dog by a stranger (handler at a distance)</td>
<td>19</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight)</td>
<td>20</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24. Return to handler (with distractions)</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25. Stop the dog</td>
<td>21</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26. Advanced vehicle control</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle</td>
<td>22</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Vehicle is moving</td>
<td>23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td>23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27. Staying still and return to handler in a public area</td>
<td>23</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28. Calm and controlled behaviour whilst in a busy public area</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Staying in one area</td>
<td>24</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Accept being touched by a stranger</td>
<td>25</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th><strong>Canine Good Citizen – Gold</strong></th>
<th>26</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>29. Responsibility and care</td>
<td>26</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30. Walking beside the handler, without a lead</td>
<td>27</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31. Sending the dog to a known article and staying</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>32. Parked vehicle control</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle and leaving dog</td>
<td>28</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions outside the vehicle whilst parked</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td>29</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>33. Delivering a dropped article to hand</td>
<td>30</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>34. Another person (other than handler) walking the dog in a public area, with distractions</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Handing the dog over to the nominated person</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td>31</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Distractions whilst person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>35. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) in a public area</td>
<td>32</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>36. Stop the dog and recall in a public area</td>
<td>33</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>37. Stay tied on lead (relaxed isolation) in a medium-busy public area</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38. Walking, with distractions, in a busy public area</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td>34</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td>35</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Canine Good Citizen – Responsibility and Care** | 36 |

**Canine Good Citizen – Resource Guides** | 42 |

**Assessor’s Kit** | 46 |

**Canine Good Citizen – Progress Indicator Forms** | 47 |

**Canine Good Citizen – Handler’s Assessment Sheets** | 51 |

**Canine Good Citizen – Assessment Day Summary Forms** | 55 |
Canine Good Citizen – General Provisions

Canine Good Citizen (“CGC”) is a programme that tests dogs in simulated everyday situations. It identifies and rewards dogs with the issue of a New Zealand Kennel Club-endorsed qualifying certificate.

The purpose of CGC programme is to ensure that our favourite companion, the dog, can be a respected member of the community because it is trained and conditioned to act with good manners in the home, public places and in the presence of other dogs and animals.

CGC training is fun and useful. You and your dog will establish a closer bond and your dog will have the added benefit of knowing how to please you. The CGC assessment is not a competition and does not require that you and your dog perform with “competitive” precision, but it should show the dog’s willingness to obey instructions given from the handler, and a display of good temperament.


Participation Information:

- **NKZC:**
  - To sit an assessment, there is a fee payable to NZKC (see link above). This can be included in the club’s assessment entry fee. Clubs may include an administration fee over and above the NZKC fee.
  - Dogs will be recorded onto a NZKC database, which will be on the CGC page of the NZKC website (see link above).
  - A dog that is officially classified menacing or dangerous by breed/type or deed by a Local Authority cannot become a CGC registered dog (see page 41).
  - A dog that holds an existing CGC qualification (at any level) that is officially classified menacing or dangerous by breed/type or deed or is found to be in breach of the CGC standards will be removed from the NZKC database and there will be publication of this removal (see page 41).

- **Clubs:**
  - Assessments for CGC can only be held by NZKC obedience clubs that run championship obedience shows.
  - The hosting club shall send all CGC assessment papers (whether passed or failed) to the NZKC. Passed assessment papers will be registered on the NZKC database. NZKC will send certificates of achievement to the hosting club, who shall distribute or notify individual qualifiers to collect from the club.
  - Membership of the NZKC or a local dog training club is not mandatory, but we would recommend the services of a club to assist in the teaching of the CGC exercises, in which case, that club’s membership criteria would apply.
  - The order of the exercises in this manual is not necessarily the order they will be performed.

- **Handlers:**
  - All dogs over the age of 12 months of age can sit the CGC programme, but training can start as soon as your pup reaches the age of four months.
  - No bitches in season are allowed on or near assessment areas.

- **To obtain the CGC Certificates:**
  - A dog can sit a maximum of two levels on any one assessment day.
  - Over the four levels, a dog must have qualified under at least two different assessors.
  - Dogs must pass all exercises set in each level before attempting the next eligible level.
HANDLERS:

- **You must be aware**, if an assessor witnesses unacceptable behaviour from a dog at any time during the day of assessment, that dog will have failed the level it is sitting. **Please read carefully “The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises”** listed on page 4.

- You must carry some form of poop scoop at all times (eg, plastic bag(s)).

- You may talk to and encourage the dog to perform the exercises at all times during the assessment, unless otherwise instructed by an assessor or as the exercises are described in this manual.

- “Competitive-type” heelwork is not the aim. It is preferred the dog remains at the handler’s side in a relaxed, loose-lead walk. The left side is preferred, although the right side is allowed with an acceptable explanation.

- You should review all exercises you plan to be assessed for, to identify equipment you are required to supply.

- Where a dog has a medical condition or permanent disability, a vet's certificate will be required to state that the dog is fit to sit CGC.

- You are advised to look up (and become familiar with) the Local Authority rules in the area you will be sitting an assessment. There may be questions asked in the Responsibility and Care sections in an assessment.

- Your dog can only sit a **maximum of two** levels on any **one** assessment day.

- Over the four levels, your dog must have qualified under at least **two** different assessors.

- Should there be a single CGC level passed which has been co-signed by two assessors, they shall be considered as one, and at least one other level sat and passed must have a different assessor’s name thereon.

ASSESSORS:

- CGC exercises are primarily for the dog, so particular note is to be made of the dog’s reactions to the various situations; ie, they are to assess the dog’s temperament to the best of their ability.

- If an assessor witnesses unacceptable behaviour from a dog at any time during the day of assessment, that dog will have failed the level(s). **Please read carefully “The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises”** listed on page 4.

- Whilst doing any walking exercises, the position of the dog and its distance from the handler can change, so long as good control is still evident. The leash must remain loose and the dog is to follow the same direction as the handler. There should be a clear change of direction on the corners, with no resentment from the dog at having to follow.

- On any halt command, the handler and dog must come to a complete stop within three paces of being told to stop. If the dog is told to sit, the dog must do so. If the dog is not told to go into any particular position, the dog must remain stationary and must not move off until the handler does.

- If any one or more exercise is not passed within an assessment, that constitutes a failure of the entire level. When the dog re-sits the assessment, that dog must perform all exercises.

- If an assessor feels there could be an issue with a dog’s health, they can ask to see a vet’s certificate.

- If the handler is restricting the dog in any manner, the assessor may ask the handler to cease the restriction.

- A dog can only sit a maximum of two levels on any one assessment day.
• A maximum of two assessors may be contracted on any one assessment day. The manner the assessment day is run will be by mutual agreement between the assessor(s) and the hosting club (ie, a level each, or a shared responsibility within each level).

• An assessor may request a hosting club to provide them with a copy of their Local Authority bylaws in respect of dog control legislation in their (and/or surrounding) area(s).

• It is strongly recommended assessors do not assess dogs they have assisted in the training of, at the level the dog is being assessed for.

HOSTING CLUB:

• It is strongly recommended assessors do not assess dogs they have assisted in the training of, at the level the dog is being assessed for.

• A dog can only sit a maximum of two levels on any one assessment day.

• A maximum of two assessors may be contracted on any one assessment day. The manner the assessment day is run will be by mutual agreement between the assessor(s) and the hosting club (ie, a level each, or a shared responsibility within each level).

• Volunteer people and dogs used in the assistance of these exercises should not be well known to the handler and dog sitting the assessment. The assessor is to be satisfied that (to the best of their knowledge) the dogs that are used have safe and reliable temperaments.

• Children may assist as volunteers for the hosting club. However, whenever children participate in any exercise, they must be suitably instructed and supervised.

• The hosting club/Assessor, by mutual agreement, shall conduct these exercises in either a dog controlled area or a public area. Definitions are as follows:

  – “dog controlled area” = The hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

  – “public area” = Sports field (as the exercise is described, either empty or a sporting event may be taking place), public park, local shops, mall or local retail business (eg, dairy, petrol station, take-away bar), any footpath along a road, wide grass verge along a roadway, public carpark, or an area that the dogs and handlers do not regularly train, all of which must be appropriate for the particular exercise being conducted. All Local Authority and highway codes and conditions must be observed.

• ALL assessment papers and NZKC fees (whether passed or failed) MUST be sent to the NZKC at:

  ‘CGC Registration’
  New Zealand Kennel Club
  Private Bag 50903
  Porirua 5240
Canine Good Citizen Foundation

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL EXERCISES:

AT ALL TIMES during the CGC exercises (at all levels) the dog MUST:

✔ be held by the handler;
✔ wear a current registration tag.
✔ wear some form of correctly fitted restraint (eg, collar, slip chain, head collar, body harness);
✔ be attached to a lead;

(Unless otherwise directed by an assessor, hosting club or as the exercises are described in this manual).

The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises:

X Display of fear.
X Display of aggression.
X Mouthing.
X Growling.
X Threatening behaviour.
X Over exuberance.
X Jumping up (handler, stranger, assessor).
X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
X Biting.
X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash, whether held by the handler, someone else or whilst being tied up.

X Regular correction from the handler.
X Inattention.
X Panic.
X Cringing.
X Hiding or avoidance.
X Trying to run away.
X Lunging towards any distractions, other dogs, strangers or assessor.
X Inappropriate fouling.

All exercises for Canine Good Citizen Foundation will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

EXERCISE:

1. Appearance, handling and responsibility

Purpose: The handler demonstrates they can care for and handle their dog. It shows the handler’s knowledge of responsible dog ownership.

The dog can be handled by someone other than their handler (eg, dog groomer, vet), without the dog protesting.

a. Responsibility and care

There will be either a written or an oral test consisting of eight questions from the “Responsibility and Care” section of this manual. Questions may also be included from Local Authority by-laws and those from Local Authorities within the Regional Authority area. The handler must answer six out of the eight questions correctly.

Not Acceptable:

X Less than six correct answers.
b. **Public cleanliness and identification**

- The handler must produce to the assessor some form of ‘poop scoop’ (eg, plastic bags).
- All dogs must wear some form of correctly fitted restraint (eg, collar, slip chain, head collar, body harness).
- A current identification/registration tag issued by a Local Authority, specific to the dog wearing it, must be attached to the dog.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Dog is not wearing a current Local Authority registration tag.
- X Handler does not have form of ‘poop scoop’.


c. **Examination of the dog by handler**

- The dog may be standing, sitting or lying down (handler’s choice).
- Other than mild avoidance, the dog should allow inspection by its handler.
- The handler is to examine the dog’s:
  - mouth;  
  - teeth;  
  - eyes;  
  - throat (inside the mouth);  
  - ears;  
  - front and hind feet (including the pads).

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Mild avoidance, with eventual acceptance.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Display of fear, threatening behaviour, cringing, aggression, growling, over exuberance, biting, hiding or avoidance, jumping up, mouthing.
- X Constant refusal to allow examination.

d. **Grooming and inspection of the dog by the assessor**

- The handler to supply the comb or brush commonly used on the dog.
- If it is a small dog, it may be placed on a table for inspection and grooming, but only with the handler’s permission. The dog must be safe and comfortable being on the table.
- The assessor inspects the dog. The dog must appear to be in good condition; ie, clean, healthy, alert and of proper weight (as per guidelines – see paragraph 1, Responsibility and Care section).
- The assessor then:
  - softly combs or brushes the dog, in a calm and natural manner;  
  - lightly examines the ears;  
  - gently picks up each front foot.
- It is not necessary for the dog to hold a specific position and the handler may be close by and may talk to the dog, praise it and give encouragement throughout.
- Where a dog has a medical condition or permanent disability, a vet’s certificate will be required.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Mild avoidance, with eventual acceptance.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Display of fear, threatening behaviour, cringing, aggression, growling, over exuberance, biting, hiding or avoidance, jumping up, mouthing.
- X Constant refusal to allow examination.
X Anything that shows neglect of the dog’s health; eg:
  – Matting of fur.
  – Balding.
  – Over or under weight.
  – Any other health condition that cannot be explained by the handler.

2. **Food manners**

**Purpose:** The dog is to display good manners whilst a person (this can be an assessor or a stranger) is eating (eg, a biscuit).

Similarly, the dog is to be calm and mannerly when the handler is giving the dog its meal.

a. **Person eating**

- Whilst the handler holds the dog on lead, the person is to eat human food no further than **one and a half** metres from the dog (ie, the assessor should be satisfied that the dog has been taken close enough to be aware that the person is eating).

- The dog should remain in position whilst the person eats.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Sniffing.
- ✓ Looking.
- ✓ Drooling.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Jumping up, or any movement in an attempt to take the food.
- X Any begging behaviour.

b. **Dog eating**

- The dog is given a command to remain still (sit, stand or down – handler’s choice).

- Handler to put a small portion of the **dog’s usual food** (to be provided by the handler) in a bowl. The handler is then to place the bowl on the ground, no closer than **half** a metre and no further than **one** metre in front of the dog. If necessary, the handler is permitted multiple voice “wait” or “leave it” commands whilst putting the food on the ground and to keep the dog in a staying position.

- There will be approximately a **five** second pause, at which time, the assessor will tell handler it may release the dog from position, to eat the food.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Sniffing.
- ✓ Looking.
- ✓ Drooling.
- ✓ Dog does not eat the food.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Handler has to have a constant tight lead to stop dog from reaching food.
- X Dog breaks position before handler’s command to release.

3. **Accepting a friendly stranger**

**Purpose:** The dog will allow its handler and a friendly stranger to approach and interact with each other, without concern.

- The dog to walk on lead, remaining by the side of the handler.

- The friendly stranger will ignore the dog.
The handler can put the dog into a sit, stand or lie down position. The dog must remain in this position during the exchange between people.

The handler/friendly stranger will:

- walk towards each other;
- halt approximately one metre from each other.
- greet each other in a friendly manner and hold a conversation for approximately one minute;
- shake hands at the end of the conversation;
- resume on their way, with dog remaining beside the handler.

Acceptable:

✔ Handler may give the dog up to two extra commands, for the dog to remain in position, once handler/friendly stranger have halted.

✔ Mild interest; eg, looking, tail wagging.

Not Acceptable:

✗ Handler has to give more than two extra commands for the dog to remain still.

✗ Display of fear, threatening behaviour, cringing, aggression, growling, over exuberance, biting, hiding or avoidance, jumping up.

4. Accepting being patted by a friendly stranger

Purpose: The dog can accept being patted by a friendly stranger, who shall be a different person to the one that was used in exercise 3.

- The dog to walk on lead, remaining by the side of the handler.
- The handler/friendly stranger will:
  - walk towards each other;
  - halt approximately one metre apart, and greet each other in a friendly manner;
  - dog to stop and remain at handler’s side, any position acceptable.
- The stranger will ask the handler if they may pat their dog.
- The handler is to say, “Yes”, and then tell the friendly stranger the correct way to pat their dog (ie, no direct eye contact, present back of hand for dog to sniff, and then, if dog is calm, to quietly pat the dog first around the chin and lower part of ears, and to avoid sudden and vigorous movements on the top of the head/back of the neck area).
- Handler and stranger will then continue on their way, in opposite directions, with dog remaining beside the handler.

Acceptable:

✔ Change of position, but dog must remain at handler’s side.

✔ Mild interest; eg, looking, tail wagging.

✔ Friendly licking.

Not Acceptable:

✗ Handler has to give more than two extra commands or pull constantly on the lead for the dog to remain still.

✗ Display of fear, threatening behaviour, cringing, aggression, growling, over exuberance, biting, hiding or avoidance, jumping up, mouthing.
5. **Walk on lead through a door/gate in a controlled manner**

**Purpose:** The dog does not push, pull or impede the handler in any way, whilst going through a door/gate.

- The dog/handler is to approach a closed door/gate. After opening the door/gate, they are to go through, closing the door/gate behind them.
- Handler is then to collect a bag with a bulky article in it, and then return back through the door/gate.
- After closing the door/gate behind them, they are to walk away for another 6-8 strides in an orderly manner.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Walking beside or just behind the handler when walking through the door/gate.
- ✓ Mild interest in the bag being collected, eg, sniffing.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Causing interference to the handler’s progress through the opening.
- X Dragging the handler through the gateway.

6. **Return to handler**

**Purpose:** To determine the dog’s willingness to return to its handler immediately, if the dog is off the leash.

- Handler is:
  - to leave the dog with another person. (This person will be holding the dog’s collar in a quiet manner);
  - to walk away from the dog and stop approximately 10 paces from the dog, turn and face their dog;
  - upon being requested so to do, to call their dog to them;
  - to attach the lead to the dog and then walk away for approximately another 6-10 strides in an orderly manner.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Can treat the dog with a food reward immediately the dog has arrived at the handler.
- ✓ Voice praise (dog is approaching) and/or patting (when the dog has arrived). **However, be careful the praise/patting does not elicit any jumping up, as this could fail the exercise.**

**Not Acceptable:**
- X The handler in unable to attach a lead quickly and safely.
- X No further food treating or luring allowed whilst asking the dog to commence the walk.
- X Jumping up.

7. **Walk on lead**

**Purpose:** Dog can walk beside handler in a calm and mannerly way.

- The handler will be directed where to walk their dog. There will be:
  - a right turn;
  - an about turn;
  - a left turn;
  - at least one stop whilst on the walk;
  - a stop at the end.
• Whilst walking, the dog:
  – is to remain by the side of the handler. Left side is preferred, although the right side is allowed with an acceptable explanation. **Note:** This is not a competitive obedience heelwork exercise and close heeling is not required;
  – is to be attentive to the handler and respond to the handler’s movements and changes of direction without resentment;
  – may change its distance and position relative to the side of the handler, so long as good control is evident and it continues to follow the handler’s course rather than its own;

• Any directions to stop:
  – will be indicated with a “Halt”;
  – handler should not move off again until told “Forward”;
  – handler should stop within three paces of the halt command;
  – the dog should stop when the handler does;
  – sitting at stops is **optional**, but the dog must sit and remain sitting if so told (two commands allowed);
  – the dog should move off only on handler’s command, with no pulling ahead.

Acceptable:
✓ If dog remains in a stand position at a halt command, and it then subsequently chooses to sit.

Not Acceptable:
X Jumping up at handler whilst walking.
X Dog weaving from left side to right side of handler (and vice versa).
X Lunging towards any possible naturally occurring distractions, people or other animals.
X Regular correction from the handler.
X Regular pulling on, or a constantly tight, leash.
X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler, especially when handler changes direction.

8. **Controlled walk through people and distractions**

**Purpose:** Demonstrates that the dog can move about in pedestrian traffic in a calm manner, and can cope with unexpected distractions that it may encounter.

**a. Pedestrian traffic**

• The dog is to be walking, on a loose lead, close to handler, and remain there throughout this exercise. Left side is preferred, although the right side is allowed with an acceptable explanation.

• The dog and handler will walk around, pass close to, or through, a group of people (no less than three, no more than eight).

Acceptable:
✓ Shows a mild interest in the people.

Not Acceptable:
X Lunging towards (or jump up at) any people, including handler.
X Dog weaving from left side to right side of handler (and vice versa).
X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler, especially when handler changes direction.
X Regular correction from the handler.
X Regular pulling on, or a constantly tight, leash.
X Display of fear, aggression or shyness toward the people it is being walked amongst.
b. **Distractions**

- The dog is to be walking, on a loose lead, close to handler, and remain there throughout this exercise. Left side is preferred, although the right side is allowed with an acceptable explanation.

- The dog and handler will encounter two of the following situations (at a distance of no closer than **two** metres):
  - A jogger running first, towards the dog, and secondly, from behind the dog – Simulates quick and, possibly, unexpected, movement;
  - A good-natured jostling and loud talking by three or four people – Simulates excessive crowd noise and movement;
  - As the dog approaches a chair, it will be knocked over – Simulates a sudden movement/noise from what was previously a stationery object.

**Acceptable:**

> ✓ The dog may be allowed a slightly startled reaction.
> ✓ Shows a mild interest or curiosity in distraction(s).

**Not Acceptable:**

> X Jumping up at handler whilst walking.
> X Regular correction from the handler.
> X Dog weaving from left side to right side of handler (and vice versa).
> X Regular pulling on, or a constantly tight, leash.
> X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler, especially when handler changes direction.
> X Display of fear, aggression or shyness toward the chosen distraction(s).
> X Lunging towards (or jump up at) the chosen distraction(s).

9. **Stay tied on lead**

**Purpose:**

To show that the dog can be tied up and remain calm and accepting whilst the handler is a short distance away.

- The dog is to be tied on its lead, to a fixed object, at a sensible distance from other dogs that may also be tied up. The handler may leave the dog in any position (eg, sit, down or stand),

- The handler will be asked to leave the dog and move off at least 20 paces away, for a period of **five** minutes.

- Handler is to converse with other people and may move around, but must remain in sight of the dog the entire time of **five** minutes.

- Upon the handler’s return, the handler is to untie the dog and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

**Acceptable:**

> ✓ The dog moves its body position from what it was left in
> ✓ Whilst the handler is away from the dog, they may give **three only** extra commands (if required) to calm the dog.

**Not Acceptable:**

> X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.
> X Excessive greeting when handler returns to the dog (ie, jumping up).
> X Lushing towards any distractions, other dogs, strangers or assessor.
> X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash, whilst being tied up.
> X Over exuberance.
> X Jumping up.
> X Panic.
> X Hiding or avoidance.
> X Trying to run away.
> X Barking.
> X More than three commands required, to settle the dog.
10. **Controlled walk past another dog**

**Purpose:** To demonstrate that the dog can meet and behave quietly around an unfamiliar person and their dog.

- Handler and dog will be walking in a controlled manner towards a person and their dog, who will also be under control. This person and their dog shall not be well known to the dog being tested.
- The two handlers will stop within one metre of each other, shake hands, exchange pleasant conversation for approximately one minute and then move on.
- Both dogs will be required to remain still, in a position of the handler’s choosing, whilst the interaction is being conducted between the two people.
- Should the dog show a casual interest in the other dog, or move from the position of the handler’s choosing, the handler may give up to two extra commands to stop the interest possibly escalating and to put the dog back into the position it was originally in. When told to, the dog must immediately comply with the handler’s commands.

**Acceptable:**

- ✓ The dogs may show a casual interest in each other (eg, tail wagging, air sniffing)
- ✓ Quiet displays of friendly behaviour, providing the dog remains attentive to the handler.

**Not Acceptable:**

- X More than two commands required after the initial stop.
- X Regular correction from the handler.
- X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.
- ✓ Mild anxiety (eg, eye avoidance, lowered body posture).

11. **Supervised separation**

**Purpose:** To ascertain that the dog can be left with another person and will maintain its training and good manners while the handler goes out of sight.

- The handler is to give their dog to another person appointed by the hosting club or the assessor, and then walk out of sight of the dog.
- The person holding the dog will remain approximately in the same place (ie, no walking around). Calming signals (if required) can be given, but person is not to interact with the dog in an excessive manner (eg, elicit play).
- Handler is to remain out of sight for a time (no less than four minutes), whereupon, they will return when instructed to, and take the lead back from the person holding their dog.

**Acceptable:**

- ✓ Mild anxiety (eg, an initial pulling towards leaving handler), but when person holding the lead calms the dog the dog responds accordingly.
- ✓ Mild greeting behaviour between handler and dog upon the handler’s return. **(Please note:** No jumping up at handler allowed).

**Not Acceptable:**

- X Dog is in obvious distress.
- X Notable resentment or reluctance to remain quietly with the person.
- X Display of fear, aggression, growling, panic, threatening behaviour, over exuberance, barking.
- X Jumping up (handler or person).
- X Lunging towards any other dogs, strangers or assessor.
- X Lunging towards any distractions, other dogs, strangers or assessor.
12. **Playing with the dog**

**Purpose:** To show that the handler has control over the dog when it is excited by play (ie, the handler can start and finish a game).

- This exercise may be done either on lead or off lead. **However, should the dog be off lead, the handler must be confident the dog will remain within the vicinity of the handler or immediately come back. Failure by the dog to return to the handler would be considered a fail of this exercise.**

- When instructed to do so, the handler will commence to play with the dog, using a toy the dog is familiar with. This may be a tug game or a fetch game. Should a fetch game be chosen, the throw must not be excessive and the dog must return immediately to the handler (either upon command or by its own choice).

- When instructed to do so, the handler will ask the dog to stop the play and give up its toy to the handler, either directly to hand or dropped on the ground, whereby, the handler is to pick the toy up.

- Once the toy is in the handler’s hands, the dog is to remain calm and under control (ie, handler to reattach the lead (if necessary)).

**Note:** It is acknowledged that not all dogs have a “play drive”. Should this be the case, the handler is to demonstrate this lack of play drive. Should the assessor observe this lack, then the handler and dog will not be penalised.

**Acceptable:**

- ✓ Non-aggressive play growling.
- ✓ Up to three commands allowed for dog to give up its toy.

**Not Acceptable:**

- X After three commands, failure to release toy to handler’s hand or drop on ground.
- X If toy dropped on the ground, the dog does not allow the handler to pick the toy up.
- X Formal competitive retrieves.
- X Dog refuses to be calm after the play has ceased.

- X Dog does not return to handler immediately, either upon command or by itself.
Canine Good Citizen – Bronze

Requirements for all exercises:

At all times during the CGC exercises (at all levels) the dog MUST:

- be held by the handler;
- wear some form of correctly fitted restraint (e.g., collar, slip chain, head collar, body harness);
- wear a current registration tag;
- be attached to a lead;

(Unless otherwise directed by an assessor, hosting club or as the exercises are described in this manual).

The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises:

- Display of fear.
- Display of aggression.
- Mouthing.
- Growling.
- Threatening behaviour.
- Over exuberance.
- Jumping up (handler, stranger, assessor).
- Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
- Biting.
- Regular correction from the handler.
- Inattention.
- Panic.
- Cringing.
- Hiding or avoidance.
- Trying to run away.
- Barking.
- Lunging towards any distractions, other dogs, strangers or assessor.
- Inappropriate fouling.

The following exercises for Canine Good Citizen Bronze will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

Exercise:

13. Responsibility and care

Purpose: The handler shows their knowledge of responsible dog ownership.

There will be either a written or an oral test consisting of nine questions from the “Responsibility and Care” section of this manual. Questions may also be included from Local Authority by-laws and those from Local Authorities within the Regional Authority area. The handler must answer seven out of the nine questions correctly.

Not Acceptable:
- Less than seven correct answers.

14. Food manners

Purpose: Whilst the dog is eating, the dog will allow the handler to touch both the dog and the food bowl without protest.

- The dog is given a command to remain still (sit, stand or down – handler’s choice).
- Handler to put a reasonable portion of the dog’s usual food (to be provided by the handler) into the bowl. This is to allow the handler time to conduct this exercise.
- The handler is then to place the bowl on the ground, no closer than half a metre and no further than one metre in front of the dog. If necessary, the handler is permitted multiple voice “wait” or “leave it” commands whilst putting the food on the ground and to keep the dog in a staying position.
There will be approximately a five second pause, at which time, the handler may release the dog from position, to eat the food.

Whilst the dog is eating the food, the handler is to first, touch the dog and then to touch the food bowl. Handler is not to move or take the food bowl away from the dog.

Acceptable:
- ✓ Sniffing.
- ✓ Drooling.
- ✓ Looking.
- ✓ Dog does not eat the food.

Not Acceptable:
- X Handler has to have a constant tight lead to stop dog from reaching food.
- X Dog breaks position before handler’s command to release.
- X Dog displays aggressive behaviour, when handler touches dog and/or food bowl.

15. Stay in one place (untied, handler in sight)

Purpose: To show that the dog can stay in one place (untied) and remain in a particular position, whilst the handler is a short distance away.

- Handler to place the dog in a down position. The lead is to remain attached to the dog, but placed on the ground.
- The dog is to be a reasonable distance from other dogs that may also be doing this exercise.
- The handler will be instructed to:
  - tell the dog to stay;
  - leave the dog;
  - halt (no less than 10 paces away);
  - face their dog and remain silent.
- After a period of approximately three minutes, handler will be instructed to:
  - return to the dog;
  - pick up the lead and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

Acceptable:
- ✓ Mild greeting and praise upon return to the dog (Note: No jumping allowed).
- ✓ When walking off with the dog, commands and praise allowed.
- ✓ Should the dog get up from the down position (ie, sit or stand up, but remain on the spot), handler may give only two extra commands (handler remaining at a distance) for the dog to go back into a down position.

Not Acceptable:
- X Dog does not go back into a down position after two extra commands.
- X Dog moves entirely off the position it was told to stay in.
- X Handler has to return to the dog before instructed to do so.
- X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.
- X Barking.
16. **Stay tied on lead (handler out of sight)**

**Purpose:** To show that the dog can be tied up and remain calm and accepting whilst the handler is out of sight.

- The dog is to be tied on its lead (left in any position of the handler’s choosing; eg, sit, down or stand), at a reasonable distance from other dogs that may also be tied up.
- The handler will be asked to:
  - leave the dog and move off at least 20 paces away, for a period of **two** minutes;
  - go out of sight of the dog for a further period of **two** minutes;
  - return to the dog, untie the dog and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ The dog moves its body position from what it was left in
- ✓ Whilst the handler is away from the dog but within sight, they may give only **two** extra commands (if required) to calm the dog.

**Not Acceptable:**
- ✗ Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.
- ✗ Excessive greeting when handler returns to the dog (ie, jumping up).
- ✗ Lunging towards any distractions, other dogs, strangers or assessor.
- ✗ Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash, whilst being tied up.
- ✗ Over exuberance.
- ✗ Panic.
- ✗ Trying to run away.
- ✗ More than **two** commands required, to settle the dog.

17. **Staying still and return to handler**

**Purpose:** To determine the dog can stay in one place until otherwise commanded by the handler to come.

- Handler is:
  - to put the dog into a down or sit position, take off the lead and tell the dog to stay there;
  - to walk away from the dog and stops approximately 15 paces from the dog, turn and face their dog;
  - upon being requested so to do, will call their dog to them;
  - to attach the lead to the dog and then walk away for approximately another 6-10 strides in an orderly manner.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Can treat the dog with a food reward immediately the dog has arrived at the handler
- ✓ May repeat the recall command only **one** more time, after initial call.
- ✓ Is allowed to move posture position (ie, if left in a down, can move into a sit or if left in a sit, may move into a down) as long as it does not move from the spot it was told to stay in.
- ✓ Voice praise (dog is approaching) and/or patting (when the dog has arrived). **However, be careful the praise/patting does not elicit any jumping up, as this could fail the exercise.**
Not Acceptable:
- X Moves entirely off the stay position before it is told.
- X Handler has commanded the dog to come (twice), but it remains in the stationary position.
- X No further food treating or luring allowed whilst asking the dog to commence the walk.
- X Does not come to handler directly after one extra command (ie, the dog starts to come to handler on first command, but is then distracted away or stops whilst on its way to the handler).

18. Stationary vehicle control

Purpose: The handler has the dog under control whilst getting in and out of a vehicle, and the dog remains calm when engine is running.

a. Into a vehicle
- The dog (on lead) will be taken towards a vehicle of the handler’s choice1.
- Handler will open the door of the vehicle. Door will remain open for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds. Dog to remain at handler’s side.
- Upon request so to do, the handler will command the dog to jump2 into the vehicle, whereupon, the handler will detach the lead and make sure the dog is safe and secure (eg, fit a car harness, or dog is confined to a caged area). Handler to close the dog access vehicle door.
- Assessor to get into the vehicle (front passenger’s seat) and handler to get into the vehicle (driver’s seat3). Doors to be closed and then engine started. Vehicle must remain stationary.
- Upon request so to do, the person in the driver’s seat will stop the engine.

Acceptable:
- ✓ Multiple and encouraging commands.
- ✓ Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging) but no jumping up behaviour allowed.

Not Acceptable:
- X Dog is not made safe and secure.
- X Dog jumps into vehicle before being commanded by handler.
- X To anything inside or outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

b. Out of a vehicle
- The vehicle door is opened. Handler to remove physical restraint (eg, car harness) or the confined area is made free (eg, cage door opened).
- Dog is to remain in the vehicle for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds.
- Upon request so to do, the handler will attach a lead to the dog and then command the dog to jump4 out of the vehicle.
- Dog to remain calmly at the handler’s side whilst the handler closes and locks the vehicle securely.
- Handler to then walk approximately six steps away from the vehicle. Dog to remain under control and calm at handler’s side.

---

1 Handler’s vehicle preferred, but another vehicle is allowed with an acceptable explanation to the assessor.
2 Only physically able dogs are to jump into a vehicle. If unable to jump (eg, because of the dog’s size or for a physical disability supported by a vet’s certificate), then it is acceptable for the handler to lift the dog into and out of the vehicle.
3 If the handler is unable to drive, a driver is to be nominated by the handler (which shall not be the assessor). Handler to sit in a passenger’s seat (rear or front – assessor’s choice).
4 See 2 above.
Acceptable:
✓ Multiple and encouraging commands. ✓ Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging) but no jumping up behaviour allowed.

Not Acceptable:
X Dog jumps out of vehicle before being commanded by handler. X Dog is not “under control” at vehicle’s side or when walking away.
X Over exuberance and/or barking.

19. **Control at steps**

**Purpose:** The dog does not push, pull or impede the handler in any way, whilst going up and down steps.

**Note:**
– If steps are not available in a dog controlled area, this exercise may be conducted in a quiet public area.
– It is preferable that the dog and handler use a set of steps that consist of at least four steps.
– The handler and dog will be in a controlled walk at all times during this exercise.

• The dog and handler are to:
  – approach the bottom of a set of steps in a controlled walk;
  – proceed up the steps;
  – if there is room, proceed another four paces;
  – turn around and approach the steps from the top;
  – proceed down the steps;
  – proceed another ten paces.

Acceptable:
✓ Dog walks beside or just behind the handler when proceeding up and down the steps. ✓ Handler pausing at the bottom or top of the steps before proceeding.

Not Acceptable:
X Towing or dragging the handler up or down the steps. X Dog causes interference to the handler’s progress up and down the steps.
X Regular correction from the handler. X Over exuberance.
X Regular pulling on, or a constantly tight, leash, whether going up or down the steps or proceeding with walk.

Exercise 20 for Canine Good Citizen Bronze will be conducted in a quiet-to-medium busy public area. The preferred area would be the local footpaths within the vicinity of the club’s grounds. Should there be no local footpaths, a wide grass verge in which all parties may walk with safety is acceptable or the handler, dog and assessor(s) may be driven to such an area where there are footpaths. All Local Authority and highway codes and conditions must be observed.

20. **Walk on lead and reaction to distractions in a public area**

**Purpose:** Demonstrates that the dog can walk in a controlled manner and is confident and calm when faced with possible common distracting situations whilst out and about in public.

a. **Walk on lead**

The dog and handler will be asked to have a controlled walk in a public area.
Whilst out on the walk:
- the dog and handler will be directed to cross a road, with halts at the crossings;
- sitting at halts will be optional, but if the dog is requested to sit, it must do so;
- there will be a single person who shall quietly walk past;
- elsewhere on the walk, there will be a small group of two or three people walking past in an animated and noisy fashion.

b. Distractions

Whilst out on the walk, any two of the following events will occur (one from section i. and one from section ii):

i. Reaction to sudden or unusual noise:
- A car horn sounds (of very short duration). The dog shall be approaching the car and be at least 10 metres away when the horn sounds (ie, the horn sound shall not happen behind the dog).
- A sudden opening and closing of a car door, as the dog passes.
- A person dropping a shopping bag, which makes enough noise to cause a thud or rattle, from just behind the dog.

ii. Reaction to unexpected or unusual movement:
- A person pushing a pram, approaching towards the dog.
- A jogger passing by, from both directions (ie, from behind and in front of the dog).
- A person using crutches, wheelchair or walker, approaching towards the dog.
- A person on a bicycle, from both directions (ie, from behind and in front of the dog).

These distractions will occur no closer than two metres to the dog and handler (or as the public area will allow).

Acceptable:
- Shows a mild interest or curiosity in surroundings and/or distractions.
- If dog remains in a stand position at a halt command, and it then subsequently chooses to sit.
- The dog may be allowed a slightly startled reaction, but must respond immediately to handler’s command to remain with them.

Not Acceptable:
- Jumping up at handler or any people.
- Regular correction from the handler.
- Lunging towards any possible naturally occurring or engineered distractions, people or equipment.
- Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler, especially when handler changes direction.
- Regular pulling on, or a constantly tight leash.
- Dog weaving from side to side of handler.
- X Display of fear, aggression, panic, growling, cringing, threatening behaviour, hiding or avoidance, over exuberance, trying to run away, barking.
Canine Good Citizen – Silver

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL EXERCISES:

AT ALL TIMES during the CGC exercises (at all levels) the dog MUST:

- be held by the handler;
- wear some form of correctly fitted restraint (eg, collar, slip chain, head collar, body harness);
- wear a current registration tag;
- be attached to a lead;

(unless otherwise directed by an assessor, hosting club or as the exercises are described in this manual).

The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises:

- Display of fear.
- Display of aggression.
- Mouthing.
- Growling.
- Threatening behaviour.
- Over exuberance.
- Jumping up (handler, stranger, assessor).
- Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
- Biting.
- Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash, whether held by the handler, someone else or whilst being tied up.
- Regular correction from the handler.
- Inattention.
- Panic.
- Cringing.
- Hiding or avoidance.
- Trying to run away.
- Barking.
- Inappropriate fouling.

**Note:** At this level, no food rewards will be allowed during each exercise.

The following exercises for Canine Good Citizen Silver will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club's own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

**EXERCISE:**

21. **Responsibility and care**

**Purpose:** The handler shows their knowledge of responsible dog ownership.

There will be either a written or an oral test consisting of ten questions from the “Responsibility and Care” section of this manual. Questions may also be included from Local Authority by-laws and those from Local Authorities within the Regional Authority area. The handler must answer eight out of the ten questions correctly.

**Not Acceptable:**

- Less than eight correct answers.

22. **Examination of the dog by a stranger (handler at a distance)**

**Purpose:** The dog can be handled by someone else other than their handler (eg, dog groomer, vet), without the dog protesting and with the handler a short distance away.

**Note:** If it is a small dog, it may be placed on a table, but only with the handler’s permission. The dog must be safe and comfortable being on the table.
• The dog may be standing, sitting or lying down (handlers' choice).
• Handler to tell the dog to stay. Handler will then be instructed to leave the dog (no less than five paces distance). Handler to face the dog.
• A stranger will approach the dog and examine:
  – mouth; – throat (inside the mouth);
  – teeth; – ears;
  – eyes; – front and hind feet (including the pads).
• After examination by the stranger, the handler will be requested to return to the dog.

Acceptable:
✓ Shift in posture only.
✓ Mild friendly greeting (eg, tail wagging).
✓ Mild avoidance (eg, turning head away), but eventual acceptance of being handled.
✓ Praise and encouragement for the dog to stay.

Not Acceptable:
X Constant refusal to allow examination.
X Jumping up.
X Dog moves entirely off the stay position.
X Biting or protest mouthing.
X Display of fear, aggression, growling, over exuberance, panic, cringing, avoidance, barking.

23. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight)

Purpose: To ascertain that the dog can remain in a down position, untied, whilst the handler is out of sight.

• Handler to place the dog in a down position. The lead may remain attached to the dog, but placed on the ground. The dog must remain in the down position, until told otherwise by the handler.
• The dog is to be a reasonable distance from other dogs that may also be doing this exercise.
• The handler will be instructed to:
  – tell the dog to stay;
  – leave the dog and go out of sight of the dog.
• After a period of four minutes, handler will be instructed to:
  – return to the dog;
  – pick up the lead and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

Acceptable:
✓ Mild greeting and praise upon return to the dog (Note: No jumping allowed).
✓ When walking off with the dog, commands and encouragement allowed.

Not Acceptable:
X Excessive greeting (ie, jumping up).
X Dog changes posture, from a down.
X Handler has to return to the dog before instructed to do so.
X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.
X Barking.
24. **Return to handler (with distractions)**

**Purpose:** The dog will come back to the handler, even if there are distractions (eg, other people and dogs).

- The handler and dog, on lead, to approach and stop at a group of no less than six people. Two of the group will have a dog each, also on lead.
- After **one** minute of conversing with the group, handler will unclip the lead from their dog.
- Handler will briskly walk away from the group.
- After no less than six paces from the group, handler will call their dog to them (**three** commands allowed).
- Handler will reattach the lead when dog returns to them.

**Acceptable:**
- ✔ Mild and friendly interest in people and dogs present in the group (**no jumping**).
- ✔ Dog voluntarily moves away from group to rejoin its handler before the handler calls it.
- ✔ Up to **three** commands for dog to come to handler.
- ✔ Voice praise (dog is approaching) and/or patting (when the dog has arrived).

**Be careful any praise/patting does not elicit any jumping up, as this could fail the exercise.**

**Not Acceptable:**
- ✗ Failure to respond to handler’s calling, after **three** commands.
- ✗ Any sign of aggressive or jumping up behaviour whilst amongst the group (people or dogs).
- ✗ Dog runs past handler and does not come to handler’s side and allow lead to be attached after **three** commands.

25. **Stop the dog**

**Purpose:** To ascertain that the dog, while on the move and at a distance from the handler, will stop instantly on command from the handler.

- At the far edges of the dog controlled area, there will be a person and their dog (which shall be on lead) quietly walking the boundary. No other distractions allowed.
- Handler and dog to be a reasonable distance from decoy person.
- Handler is to release the dog from its lead and encourage the dog to leave their side, all the while, trying to create a distance between each other of no less than **six** metres. If necessary, the handler may also run and play with the dog to create the same size gap. Dog, all the while, is to be on the move.
- Should the dog wish to voluntarily remain close to the handler, another person may come and quietly hold the dog’s collar in order to allow the handler to remove themselves at a distance of no less than **six** metres.
- When the handler is of sufficient distance from their dog, they will be instructed to command the dog to stop where it is at that time (any position allowed - stand/down/sit).
- If another person has had to hold the dog’s collar in order to create the no less than **six** metre distance between each other, person holding the dog is to quietly release their hold on the collar. Once the dog is moving (whether towards or away from the handler), handler is to command the dog to stop where it is at that time (any position allowed - stand/down/sit).
- The dog must remain in that stopped area for at least **fifteen** seconds.
- After the elapsed “stop” time, the handler will be instructed to approach the dog and reattach the lead. Dog to remain in the stopped area while the handler is approaching it.
Acceptable:
✓ Up to two commands for dog to come to a stop.
✓ Verbal praise. **However, be aware, if the dog moves from a stop because of the praise, it will have failed this exercise.**
✓ Dog moves posture once stationary, but does not move from the area it stopped at (eg, the dog stopped moving in a stand position, but then it subsequently lay down).

Not Acceptable:
✗ Dog does not remain in the stopped area, either before or as the handler is returning.
✗ Dog is seen to be avoiding the handler.
✗ Failure to respond to stay or wait after two commands.

---

26. **Advanced vehicle control**

**Purpose:** The dog is seen to be relaxed and under control whilst getting in and out of a vehicle and whilst the vehicle is moving.

**a. Into a vehicle**

- The dog (on lead) will be taken towards a vehicle of the handler’s choice.
- Handler will open the door of the vehicle. Door will remain open for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds. Dog to remain at handler’s side.
- Upon request so to do, the handler will command the dog to jump into the vehicle, whereupon, the handler will detach the lead and make sure the dog is safe and secure (eg, fit a car harness, or dog is confined to a caged area). Handler to close the dog access vehicle door.
- Assessor to get into the vehicle (front passenger’s seat) and handler to get into the vehicle (driver’s seat). Doors to be closed and then engine started.

**Acceptable:**
✓ Multiple and encouraging commands.
✓ Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging) but no jumping up behaviour allowed.

**Not Acceptable:**
✗ Dog is not made safe and secure.
✗ Dog jumps into vehicle before being commanded by handler.
✗ To anything inside or outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

---

5 Handler’s vehicle preferred, but another vehicle is allowed with an acceptable explanation to the assessor.
6 Only physically able dogs are to jump into a vehicle. If unable to jump (eg, because of the dog’s size or for a physical disability supported by a vet’s certificate), then it is acceptable for the handler to lift the dog into and out of the vehicle.
7 If the handler is unable to drive, a driver is to be nominated by the handler (which shall not be the assessor). Handler to sit in a passenger’s seat (rear or front – assessor’s choice).
b. **Vehicle is moving**

- Once dog is secure in the vehicle, handler and assessor to get into the vehicle and drive off. Time and distance to be at the discretion of the assessor (ie, in order that the assessor has enough time to ascertain the behaviour of the dog).
- Vehicle to pass at least one dog and person who are walking along the street that the vehicle is driven along.

**Acceptable:**
- Mild interest in what is going on outside (ie, standing up looking out window, tail wagging).
- The occasional calming command from handler. However, dog must be seen to react to handler’s instruction.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Signs of stress or panic.
- Handler has to continuously command dog to settle.
- Lunging within the vehicle.
- To anything inside or outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

---

**c. Out of a vehicle**

- The vehicle door is opened. Handler to remove physical restraint (eg, car harness) or the confined area is made free (eg, cage door opened).
- Dog is to remain in the vehicle for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds.
- Upon request so to do, the handler will attach a lead to the dog and then command the dog to jump out of the vehicle.
- Dog to remain calmly at the handler’s side whilst the handler closes and locks the vehicle securely.
- Handler to then walk approximately six steps away from the vehicle. Dog to remain under control and calm at handler’s side.

**Acceptable:**
- Multiple and encouraging commands.
- Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging) but no jumping up behaviour allowed.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Dog jumps out of vehicle before being commanded by handler.
- Over exuberance and/or barking.
- Dog is not “under control” at vehicle’s side or when walking away.

---

Exercise 27 for Canine Good Citizen Silver will be conducted in a medium busy public area. The preferred area would be a large grassed area, such as a local park or sports grounds not normally used by the hosting club. This exercise must be conducted at a safe distance from any vehicle traffic. All Local Authority conditions must be observed.

---

27. **Staying still and return to handler in a public area**

**Purpose:** To determine the dog can stay in one place, even though handler is moving away from the dog. Dog can then come to handler whilst the handler is still moving.

- Handler is to put the dog into a down or sit position, take off the lead and tell the dog to stay there.
- Handler will then walk briskly away from their dog.

---

8 See 7 above.
9 Only physically able dogs are to jump into a vehicle. If unable to jump (eg, because of the dog’s size or for a physical disability supported by a vet’s certificate), then it is acceptable for the handler to lift the dog into and out of the vehicle.
• At no less than **seven** metres away (and upon being requested so to do and still moving away from their dog), the handler will call their dog to them.
• Dog must return to handler in a reasonably direct line.
• When dog rejoins handler, handler to stop and reattach the lead.
• Handler and dog to continue on their walk in a calm and controlled manner.

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Once called, only **one** minor stop or distraction allowed.
- ✓ **Two** commands (maximum) allowed to call the dog, which shall include the “minor stop” or “distraction”.
- ✓ Voice praise and/or patting allowed.
- ✓ When in the stay position, dog moves posture, but does not move from the stay area.

**Not Acceptable:**
- ✗ The handler in unable to attach a lead quickly and safely.
- ✗ More than two commands necessary for the dog to return to handler.
- ✗ Jumping up.
- ✗ Dog does not return to handler at all.
- ✗ When dog is reattached to the lead, dog does not walk in a controlled manner.
- ✗ Dog moves off the stay position before it is told to come.
- ✗ Should the dog be distracted or stop on its way back to the handler, the dog does not respond reasonably quickly to handler’s possible second command to come.

---

Exercise 28 for Canine Good Citizen **Silver** will be conducted in a busy **public area**. The preferred area would be a local shopping area or outside a shopping mall. The dog must be on lead whilst conducting this exercise. All Local Authority conditions must be observed.

---

**28. Calm and controlled behaviour whilst in a busy public area**

**Purpose:**
In an area of high volume traffic and pedestrians, the handler is observed to be in control and the dog can remain calm and stress free:
- a. while walking;
- b. while remaining in one spot;
- c. if a total stranger asks to pat the dog.

**Note:**
If (before the requisite time lapse of these exercises, for any reason whatsoever) dog is showing signs of stress (as judged by either the handler or the assessor) the handler will ask (or will be advised to) leave the area immediately. If this occurs, these exercises will be deemed to have not been completed. The safety of the dog, the public and the handler is paramount. Dog is to remain on lead the entire time.

a. **Walking**
- Handler and dog are to be taken to a public area of high volume traffic and pedestrian.
- Handler and dog to walk up and down the street for a time lapse of not less than **three** minutes.

b. **Staying in one area**
- At some point on the walk, handler and dog will stand still, out of the way of pedestrians, but still in a busy public area. Dog can be in a sit, down or stand, but must remain beside the handler. No tight lead allowed.
- Handler and dog to remain in that area for a time lapse of no less than **three** minutes, no more than **five** minutes.
c. Accept being touched by a stranger

- Should any member of the public show an interest in the dog, the handler is to ask that person if they would like to pat their dog. If they say yes, then handler is to instruct person on the safe method so to do. Dog is to accept stranger’s touching in a friendly and reasonably calm manner.

- Should no member of the public show an interest in the dog after a time lapse of three minutes, then a person (not known to the dog, but known to the hosting club) will casually pass and ask to pat the dog, with same instruction from the handler and same response from the dog will be required.

Acceptable:
✓ Calming signals and instructions.
✓ Friendly overtures (eg, tail wagging, licking, lifting up one paw in a “shake hands” gesture). However, please remember, no jumping up allowed.
✓ Mild interest in its surroundings.
✓ Dog shifts posture position, but must remain beside handler.

Not Acceptable:
X Display of fear.
X Display of aggression.
X Mouthing.
X Growling.
X Threatening behaviour.
X Biting.
X Over exuberance.
X Jumping up (handler, stranger).
X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash.
X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
X Regular correction from the handler.
X Inattention.
X Panic.
X Cringing.
X Hiding or avoidance.
X Trying to run away.
X Barking.
X Lunging towards any distractions.
X If the dog is requested (by either assessor or handler) to be removed from the area before the requisite time period is up.
Canine Good Citizen – Gold

REQUIREMENTS FOR ALL EXERCISES:

AT ALL TIMES during the CGC exercises (at all levels) the dog MUST:

- be held by the handler;
- wear a current registration tag;
- wear some form of correctly fitted restraint (eg, collar, slip chain, head collar, body harness);
- be attached to a lead;

(Unless otherwise directed by an assessor, hosting club or as the exercises are described in this manual).

The following behaviours ARE NEVER ACCEPTABLE (at all levels) during the CGC exercises:

- Display of fear.
- Display of aggression.
- Mouthing.
- Growling.
- Threatening behaviour.
- Over exuberance.
- Jumping up (handler, stranger, assessor).
- Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
- Biting.
- Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash, whether held by the handler, someone else or whilst being tied up.

Note: At this level, no food rewards will be allowed during each exercise.

The following exercises for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

EXERCISE:

29. Responsibility and care

Purpose: The handler shows their knowledge of responsible dog ownership.

There will be either a written or an oral test consisting of twelve questions from the "Responsibility and Care" section of this manual. Questions may also be included from Local Authority by-laws and those from Local Authorities within the Regional Authority area. The handler must answer nine out of the twelve questions correctly.

Not Acceptable:

- Less than nine correct answers.
30. **Walking beside the handler, without a lead**

**Purpose:** Dog can walk beside handler, off lead, in a calm and mannerly way, and with a person/dog distraction.

**Note:** Competitive obedience heelwork is not the aim of this exercise. However, the dog must remain by the handler’s side.

- The handler will be directed to take the lead off the dog. Handler may pocket the lead or loop it around their body.
- Handler will then be directed to walk forward. There will be:
  - a right turn;
  - a left turn;
  - an about turn;
  - at least one stop whilst on the walk;
  - a stop at the end.
- At some point during the walk, a person, with their dog on a lead, will be asked to walk towards and past the handler and dog at a passing distance of no less than **three** metres. The dog being tested is to remain beside the handler.
- Whilst walking, the dog:
  - is to remain by the side of the handler at all times. Left side is preferred, although the right side is allowed with an acceptable explanation.
  - is to be attentive to the handler and respond to the handler’s movements and changes of direction without resentment;
  - may change its distance and position relative to the side of the handler (within **half** a metre), so long as good control is evident and it continues to follow the handler’s course rather than its own;
- Directions to stop:
  - will be indicated with a “Halt”. Handler should stop within three paces of the halt command;
  - the dog should stop when the handler does;
  - sitting at stops is **optional**, but the dog must sit and remain sitting if so told (**two** commands allowed);
  - the handler and dog should not move off until told “Forward”;
  - the dog should move off only on handler’s command, with no change of position from handler’s heel side.

**Acceptable:**
- May give multiple commands and praise to keep dog at handler’s side.
- If dog remains in a stand position at a halt command, and it then subsequently chooses to sit.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Jumping up at handler whilst walking.
- Over exuberance.
- Dog weaving from left side to right side of handler (and vice versa).
- Lunging towards any possible naturally occurring or purposeful distractions (people or other animals).
- More than two commands were given to sit at any halts.
- Repeatedly leaves the handler’s heel side (too far forward / lagging behind / to the side) leaving a gap of more than **half** a metre.
- Leaves handler’s side and does not return when commanded.
- Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler, especially when handler changes direction.
- Display of fear, aggression, inattention, panic, barking.
31. **Sending the dog to a known article and staying**

**Purpose:** The dog can be sent away from the handler, towards an article that is familiar to the dog and told to lie down and stay there. Useful for getting the dog to go to its bed or mat and remain there.

- The handler is to provide a fairly large article, known to the dog (eg, mat, blanket, article of clothing).
- Dog is to be held by a third party while handler is directed to place the article at a distance of no less than ten metres from the dog.
- Handler to return to the dog, remove the lead and send the dog to the article. Once the dog has been given the command to go, there is a time limit of one minute for it to arrive at the article. Handler is not to go with the dog, but remain in the place they sent the dog from.
- Once the dog has arrived at the article, handler to instruct the dog to go into a down position (two commands allowed).
- Dog is to remain in the down position, in a settled manner, for no less than one minute (one extra command allowed).
- Handler will be requested to approach the dog, and, when at the dog, release the dog from the down position.

**Acceptable:**
- Encouraging praise/commands (if required) whilst on the way out to the article.
- Once the dog has settled on the article, should the dog move (eg, sits or stands up) from the down position, only one extra command allowed to put it back down.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Dog does not go to the article after a time lapse one minute.
- Handler has to move off position, to help the dog go to the article.
- The handler exceeds the maximum extra commands allowed, as per “Acceptable” above.
- Dog moves from the article as handler approaches or the dog does not wait for the handler’s release command.

32. **Parked vehicle control**

**Purpose:** The dog is seen to be relaxed and under control whilst getting in and out of a vehicle.

Should the dog be in the vehicle on its own, the dog is unconcerned and relaxed should strangers and/or dogs pass by.

**a. Into a vehicle and leaving dog**

- The dog (on lead) will be taken towards a vehicle of the handler’s choice.  
- Handler will open the door of the vehicle. Door will remain open for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds. Dog to remain at handler’s side.
- Upon request so to do, the handler will command the dog to jump into the vehicle, whereupon, the handler will detach the lead and make sure the dog is safe and secure (eg, fit a car harness, attached to a lead within the car, or dog is confined to a caged area). Depending on the type of restraint the dog has (ie, harness, lead or cage), either windows or, alternatively, vehicle door is to remain open (Assessor will advise).

---

10 Handler’s vehicle preferred, but another vehicle is allowed with an acceptable explanation to the assessor.
11 Only physically able dogs are to jump into a vehicle. If unable to jump (eg, because of the dog’s size or for a physical disability supported by a vet’s certificate), then it is acceptable for the handler to lift the dog into and out of the vehicle.
• Upon request, handler to walk off, out of sight of vehicle and dog.
• The assessor’s observation shall be at sufficient distance and position so as not to be an influence on the dog’s behaviour.

**Acceptable:**
✓ Multiple and encouraging commands whilst getting the dog into the vehicle.✓ Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging)

**Note:** No jumping allowed.

**Not Acceptable:**
✗ Dog is not made safe and secure.✗ Signs of stress or panic when the handler leaves the dog.

✗ To anything inside or outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

**b. Distractions outside the vehicle whilst parked**

i. **To a person**

In a way that the dog will be aware of his/her presence, a person (not known to the dog being tested) is to walk no closer than two metres from the vehicle. Person to stop for no less than ten seconds, facing away from the vehicle. They will then be requested to proceed walking past the vehicle.

**Acceptable:**
✓ Mild interest in what is going on outside (ie, standing up looking out window, tail wagging).

**Not Acceptable:**
✗ Signs of stress or panic.
✗ Lunging within the vehicle.

✗ To anything outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

ii. **To a person and their dog**

In a way that the dog will be aware of their presence, a person, with their dog on lead (not known to the dog being tested) is to walk past the vehicle, no closer than three metres.

**Acceptable:**
✓ Mild interest in what is going on outside (ie, standing up looking out window, tail wagging).

**Not Acceptable:**
✗ Signs of stress or panic.
✗ Lunging within the vehicle.

✗ To anything outside the vehicle, display of fear, aggression, panic, stress, growling, over exuberance, barking.

**c. Out of a vehicle**

• Upon request, handler is to return to the vehicle and remove any physical restraint (eg, car harness, lead) or the confined area is made free (eg, cage door opened).

• Dog is to remain in the vehicle for a time lapse of no less than twenty seconds.

• Upon request so to do, the handler will attach a lead to the dog and then command the dog to jump out of the vehicle.

• Dog to remain calmly at the handler’s side whilst the handler closes and locks the vehicle securely.

• Handler to then walk approximately six steps away from the vehicle. Dog to remain under control and calm at handler’s side.

**Acceptable:**
✓ Multiple and encouraging commands.✓ Mild excitement (eg, tail wagging)

**Note:** No jumping allowed.

**Not Acceptable:**
✗ Dog jumps out of vehicle before being commanded by handler.✗ Dog is not “under control” at vehicle’s side or when walking away.

✗ Over exuberance and/or barking.

---

12 Only physically able dogs are to jump into a vehicle. If unable to jump (eg, because of the dog’s size or for a physical disability supported by a vet’s certificate), then it is acceptable for the handler to lift the dog into and out of the vehicle.
It is preferred exercise 33 for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

The ground surface this exercise is to be conducted on should be such as to encourage a dog to use both scent and sight abilities to find and retrieve the article (eg, short grass). Tarmac, concrete or gravel surfaces will not be acceptable.

Should the club grounds not have any short grass available, then this exercise will be conducted in a quiet public area that will provide this sort of surface, such as an empty sports field.

### 33. Delivering a dropped article to hand

**Purpose:** The dog can find, retrieve and return an article that belongs to the handler.

**Note:** The handler is to provide an article that is owned by them and may be carried on a walk. This article is to be no less than the size of the handler’s palm and no more than the size of the handler’s hand. An example of acceptable articles could be gloves, wallet, small hanky, dog’s small toy or ball.

- Handler to carry the article out of sight of the dog (eg, on the opposite side the dog is being walked).
- Dog and handler to walk no less than 10 paces, on lead, in a straight line, in a controlled and orderly manner.
- Upon request, the handler will drop the article behind them (taking care not to let the dog see the drop) and proceed for no less than another 10 paces.
- Upon request, handler to halt, turn around in the direction of the dropped article and (after unclipping the lead) command the dog to go back and find the article. Handler to remain still.
- A time limit of two minutes will be given once the dog leaves the handler, finds the article, picks it up and returns it to the handler’s hand or drop at the handler’s feet.
- Handler to reattach the lead and resume on the walk for another six paces in an orderly manner.

**Acceptable:**

✔ Multiple commands, encouragement and praise.  

**Not Acceptable:**

✗ Upon return to handler, the dog does not allow the lead to be attached.  

✗ If the dog has found the article, the dog does not return to the handler.  

✗ If the dog returns to the handler with the article, but does not allow the handler to take it or pick it up from the ground.  

✗ The dog does not find the article within the requisite time limit of two minutes.  

✗ When told to go and find the article, does not leave the handler to do so.  

✗ Dog does not walk in a calm and controlled manner whilst attached to the lead.

Exercise 34.a for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a dog controlled area, being the hosting club’s own grounds, or an area which the hosting club uses on a regular basis for their members.

Exercises 34.b and 34.c for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a quiet-to-medium busy public area. The preferred area would be the local footpaths within the vicinity of the club’s grounds. Should there be no local footpaths, a wide grass verge in which all parties may walk with safety is acceptable or the person, dog and assessor(s) may be driven to such an area where there are footpaths. All Local Authority and highway codes and conditions must be observed.
34. **Another person (other than handler) walking the dog in a public area, with distractions**

**Purpose:** The dog to display the same good manners and calm whilst being walked by another person ("person") other than its owner/handler. This demonstrates that the dog can be looked after by some else should the owner/handler not be present (eg, the dog has to stay over at family or friends, a vets or boarding kennels).

**a. Handing the dog over to the nominated person**

- Handler is to nominate the person they would like to walk their dog. The person should know the commands required for the dog. This person may be known to the dog, but **must not** be a member of the same household as the handler.
- Handler is to hand over the lead to the person and go out of sight.

**Acceptable:**
- Multiple encouragement and/or commands from the person.
- A small amount of initial anxiety upon being separated from the handler, but dog is seen to quickly settle down and accept the person.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Continual signs of separation anxiety.
- Display of aggression.
- Growling.
- Threatening behaviour.
- Over exuberance.
- Display of fear.
- Jumping up.
- Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash

**b. Person walking the dog in a public area**

- Person, dog and assessor will proceed for a walk along a roadway for a time lapse of not less than **five** minutes.
- There are to be at least **two** road crossings. Person to stop at each curb side before crossing road. The person has the option to tell the dog to sit. If so instructed, dog must sit. If not instructed to sit, dog must remain beside the stopped person.

**Acceptable:**
- Mild, startled reactions to its surroundings.
- Dog voluntarily sits beside person.
- A small amount of initial anxiety when person and dog starts on the walk, but dog is seen to quickly settle down and accept the person.
- Mild interest and curiosity in its surroundings.
- Up to two commands to sit.
- Multiple encouragement and/or commands from the person.

**Not Acceptable:**
- Continual signs of separation anxiety.
- Display of aggression.
- Panic.
- Growling.
- Threatening behaviour.
- Regular correction from the person.
- Inattention.
- Cringing.
- Hiding or avoidance.
- Trying to run away.
X Over exuberance.  X Barking.
X Display of fear.  X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash
X Jumping up.

### c. Distractions whilst person walking the dog in a public area

- Whilst walking, the person and dog are to be approached by, and go past, two people walking past.
- Whilst walking, there will be a stranger and their dog on the opposite side of the road. They will walk towards and past the person and their dog.

#### Acceptable:
- ✓ Multiple encouragement and/or commands from the person.
- ✓ Mild interest and curiosity in its surroundings.
- ✓ Mild, startled reactions to the distractions, but the dog is seen to settle down on person’s commands.

#### Not Acceptable:
- X Continual signs of separation anxiety.
- X Display of aggression.
- X Panic.
- X Growling.
- X Threatening behaviour.
- X Over exuberance.
- X Display of fear.
- X Jumping up.

The following exercises 35 and 36 for Canine Good Citizen **Gold** will be conducted in a quiet **public area**. The preferred area would be a large grassed area, such as a local park or sports grounds not normally used by the hosting club. This exercise must be conducted at a safe distance from any vehicle traffic. All Local Authority conditions must be observed.

#### 35. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) in a public area

**Purpose:** To ascertain that the dog can remain in a down position, untied, whilst the handler is out of sight in a public area.

**Note:** If necessary, the assessor may request members of the public not to approach the dog being tested and/or to keep their own dogs away (if any).

If, at any time during this exercise, the assessor deems the dog being tested may be interfered with by any member of the public or a dog, the assessor may request the handler to return to their dog before the time elapsed. Should this be necessary, the first exercise will be disregarded and this exercise will be repeated.

- Handler to place the dog in a down position. The lead may remain attached to the dog, but placed on the ground. The dog must remain in the down position, until told otherwise by the handler.
- The dog is to be a reasonable distance from other dogs that may also be doing this exercise.
- The handler will be instructed to:
  - tell the dog to stay;
  - leave the dog and go out of sight of the dog.
• After a period of no less than two minutes, handler will be instructed to:
  – return to the dog;
  – pick up the lead and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

Acceptable:
✓ Mild greeting and praise upon return to the dog (Note: No jumping allowed).
✓ When walking off with the dog, commands and encouragement allowed.

Not Acceptable:
X Excessive greeting (ie, jumping up).
X Dog changes posture, from a down.
X Handler has to return to the dog before being instructed to do so.
X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.

36. Stop the dog and recall in a public area

Purpose: To ascertain that the dog, while on the move and at a distance from the handler, will stop instantly on command from the handler, in a public place (eg, sports field or beach), well away from any vehicle traffic and where there could be natural medium-to-busy distractions. The handler is to then command the dog to return to them.

• Handler is to have the dog off the lead and “allow” the dog to leave handler’s side at a distance of not less than ten metres from the handler. Handler may use play methods to encourage dog to leave their side (eg, throwing a ball).

• Should the dog voluntarily remain close to the handler, another person may come and quietly hold the dog, to allow the handler to remove themselves at a minimum distance of fifteen metres.

• Whilst the dog is on the move and at the requisite distance (no less than ten metres), handler is to command (two allowed) the dog to stop. The dog must be seen to comply with the stop command(s) and cease moving (any position allowed - stand/down/sit).

• The dog must remain stationary for no less than thirty seconds, whereupon the handler will be instructed to call the dog to them.

• Dog must remain beside handler for no less than ten seconds (any position acceptable). Note: No holding of the collar or dog allowed.

Acceptable:
✓ Up to two commands for dog to come to a stop.
✓ Dog moves posture (ie, sit/stand/down), but does not move from the stopped area.
✓ Upon dog’s return to handler, verbal praise and a pat allowed. (Note: No feeding, holding the dog or jumping up allowed).
✓ If the dog is moving at speed, allowance will be made for the dog to stop (ie, the dog is seen to be responding to command).
✓ Up to two commands for dog to come back to handler.
✓ Multiple commands for the dog to remain with handler after call-back.
✓ Once the dog has stopped, the handler may give the dog one extra wait or stay command.

Not Acceptable:
X Dog moves away from stopped area before the handler has called it.
X Dog does not come back to handler reasonably directly when it is called.
X Failure to stop or return to handler after two commands.
X Display of fear, aggression, over exuberance, jumping up, trying to run away, barking, panic, inattention.
X Dog does not remain with handler (for the requisite ten seconds) when it has been called back or the handler has to hold the dog in order for it to remain with the handler.
Exercise 37 for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a quiet-to-medium busy public area. The preferred area would be a local retail business (eg, dairy, petrol station, take-away bar). The dog must be on lead whilst conducting this exercise. All Local Authority conditions must be observed.

37. **Stay tied on lead (relaxed isolation) in a medium-busy public area**

**Purpose:** To ascertain that the dog can be tied up in a quiet-to-medium busy public area and remain calm, while handler is out of sight.

**Note:** For the time the handler is out of sight of the dog, the assessor is to remain within the dog’s vicinity and supervise any public distractions. Should any member of the public approach the dog, the assessor is to make a judgment of the safety of both the public and the dog and take appropriate action (if required).

- Handler and dog to be taken to a medium-busy public area.
- The handler will tie the dog up, leave the dog and go out of sight. **Note:** The dog is not required to stay in any particular posture.
- After a period of two minutes, handler will be instructed to:
  - return to the dog;
  - pick up the lead and walk the dog for approximately six paces, in a controlled, calm manner.

**Acceptable:**

- ✓ Mild, startled reactions, interest and curiosity to its surroundings.
- ✓ Dog changes posture position.

**Not Acceptable:**

- X Display of fear.
- X Inappropriate fouling (ie, whilst it is tied up).
- X Growling.
- X Barking.
- X Trying to run away.
- X Lunging towards any naturally occurring distractions.
- X Display of aggressive, submissive, shy, worried or stressed behaviour from the dog whilst handler is away.
- ✓ Mild greeting and praise upon the handler’s return to the dog.
- X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash
- X Over exuberance.
- X Threatening behaviour.
- X Hiding or avoidance.
- X Jumping up (handler, strangers).
- X Does not walk beside handler in a controlled manner.

Exercise 38 for Canine Good Citizen Gold will be conducted in a busy public area. The preferred area would be a local shopping area, outside a shopping mall or at a local sporting event. The dog must be on lead whilst conducting this exercise. All Local Authority conditions must be observed.

38. **Walking, with distractions, in a busy public area**

**Purpose:** In an area of high volume traffic and pedestrians, the handler is observed to be in control, and the dog can remain calm and stress free while walking, crossing roads and with a distraction of another dog and person. Dog is to remain on lead the entire time.

a. **Walking**

- Handler and dog are to be taken to a public area of high volume traffic and pedestrians.
- Handler and dog to walk up and down the street or at the sport event for no less than five minutes.
There is to be at least two road crossings, one of which (if possible) to be at a zebra or light controlled crossing. If at a sporting event, to use the event carpark area or the road leading to the event. Handler to stop at each curb-side before crossing road. The handler has the option to tell the dog to sit. If so instructed, dog must sit. If not instructed to sit, dog must remain beside the handler.

b. **Distractions**

While walking, the handler and dog is to be approached by, and go past, another person who has their dog on lead (not to be known by the dog being tested).

**Acceptable:**
- ✓ Dog voluntarily sits beside handler.
- ✓ Mild, startled reactions to its surroundings.
- ✓ If commanded to sit at stops, up to two commands allowed.

**Not Acceptable:**
- X Notable resentment or reluctance to walk steadily with the handler.
- X Display of fear.
- X Display of aggression.
- X Panic.
- X Growling.
- X Threatening behaviour.
- X Over exuberance.
- X Jumping up (handler, stranger, assessor).
- X Regular pulling on, or a constant tight leash.
- ✓ Mild interest and curiosity in its surroundings.
- ✓ Multiple instructions from the handler while walking.
- ✓ Lunging towards any naturally occurring or engineered distractions.
- ✓ Regular correction from the handler.
- ✓ Inattention.
- ✓ Cringing.
- ✓ Hiding or avoidance.
- ✓ Trying to run away.
- ✓ Barking.
- ✓ Dog does not sit after two commands.
Canine Good Citizen – Responsibility and Care

The below information is intended as a guide only and should not be considered as an exhaustive list of a dog owner’s responsibilities. Your CGC questions will be taken from this section and possibly, from legislation and relevant regulations and by-laws from the area you will be sitting the assessment. It is recommended you are familiar with these regulations and by-laws.

1. Dog Weight Guidelines

From: Code of Recommendations and Minimum Standards for the Welfare of Dogs
Animal Welfare Advisory Committee, c/- Ministry of Agriculture, PO Box 2526, Wellington

a. Dogs shall be fed to maintain their body weight within the normal physiological range, no matter how much physical activity they have.

b. Ideal body weight depends on breed and age.

c. The food offered should be sufficient in amount and appropriately balanced in nutrients to meet their physiological needs.

d. As a general rule, dogs should be fed at least once a day, and it is generally best to divide their daily ration into two, fed in the morning and in the evening.

e. Working dogs should be fed at the end of their working day. A small meal an hour or two before exercise may be beneficial before prolonged periods of work.

f. Body condition can be scored from 0 to 5 as follows:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Score</th>
<th>Description</th>
<th>Example</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>0</td>
<td>Emaciated</td>
<td>Dogs with body condition 0 or 1 are likely to have a dull lustreless coat. Body condition scores 1 is undesirable and body condition score 0 is unacceptable.</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>1</td>
<td>The outline of all ribs readily felt or (in short-haired dogs) seen; Working dogs and some leaner breeds are in ideal condition at body score 2.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2</td>
<td>The outline of the last two ribs can be readily felt or (in short-haired dogs) seen;</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3</td>
<td>All ribs (or all but the last two) lightly covered by fat; Body condition score 3 is ideal for most dogs.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4</td>
<td>Ribs covered by a layer of fat, outline not readily felt; Body condition score 4 should be taken as a warning to reduce meals quantity and/or increase exercise.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5</td>
<td>Obese, ribs cannot be felt without considerable pressure. Body condition 5 is undesirable.</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

g. There are many good quality, complete and balanced commercial dog foods available. Diets may be home-mixed provided they are complete and balanced. An all-lean-meat diet, such as farm-killed lean mutton, does not provide a balanced diet.

h. Certain prohibitions apply to the feeding of meat and offal from livestock to dogs.

2. The legal obligations of a dog owner (Section 5, Dog Control Act 1996)

a. All dogs must be registered with a relevant Local Authority before the age of three months and thereafter, during the month of July each year;

b. All relevant Local Authorities are promptly notified of any change of address or ownership of the dog;

c. To ensure that the dog is kept under control at all times.

d. To ensure the dog receives proper care and attention and is supplied with proper and sufficient food, water and shelter.

e. To ensure the dog has adequate exercise.
f. To take all reasonable steps to ensure that dog does not cause a nuisance to any other person, whether by persistent and loud barking or howling or by any other means.

g. To take all reasonable steps to ensure that dog does not injure, endanger or intimidate or otherwise cause distress to any person.

h. To take all reasonable steps to ensure that dog does not injure, endanger or distress stock, poultry, domestic animals or protected wild life.

i. To take all reasonable steps to ensure that dog does not damage or endanger property belonging to any other person.

j. To comply with the Dog Control Act and all regulations and bylaws made under the Act.

3. Further responsibilities of ownership

The following is a guide to responsible ownership, for your dog and the public:

a. Do not feed the dog from your plate but from its own bowl.

b. Dogs like a bed of their own, so provide one.

c. Bathing is sometimes necessary but should be done in moderation.

d. Your dog should not be allowed out on its own to wander the neighbourhood.

e. Do not allow the dog to foul in an inappropriate place.

f. If fouling does occur in a public place, always clean up after the dog.

g. Never take your dog into a restaurant or a shop that sells food.

h. Do not leave your dog unattended if you go away on holiday.

i. Consider neutering (talk it over with your vet) to avoid unwanted puppies.

j. If you want your bitch to have puppies, seek the advice of professionals before doing so (eg, the breeder of your dog, your vet, local breed club). This way, you are able to make an informed and responsible decision.

k. Always ensure that your dog is wearing a collar of some type, with a current Local Authority identification tag attached. This tag must be registered to the dog wearing it.

l. Dogs need to be able to feel part of the family (its “pack”). However, the dog must not become a leader of their family (its “pack”).

4. Health and Illness

a. To keep a dog in good heath, you should:

i. take your dog to the vet at least once a year for a full health check-up and vaccinations. If a dog displays any of the symptoms mentioned in b. below, you should immediately take your dog to the vet;

ii. rub your hands over the dog's body to check for burrs, thistles ticks or lumps and bumps;

iii. regularly clean and groom your dog and ensure no part of the coat becomes matted;

iv. give, along with your contact details, your vet's address and phone number to the person looking after your dog whilst you are away;

v. check and control fleas and/or ticks – Fleas are usually found around the neck, abdomen and tail areas on the dog. If there is an allergy/infection from flea infestation, veterinary advice should be sought.

vi. dose for worms – Roundworm and Tapeworm can infest pups and dogs. It is recommended dogs be wormed every six months, pregnant bitches and puppies more often.
b. A dog should display the same demeanour from day-to-day. So, should any of the following occur, you should immediately seek veterinary advice:
   i. A dog, with a normal healthy appetite, **refuses to eat**.
   ii. A normally active dog **becomes lethargic**.
   iii. A dog **vomits** several times.
   iv. It has **loose motions** or **diarrhea**.
   v. There is **loss of blood**.
   vi. A dog is **unconscious**.
   vii. A dog has a fit or **seizure**.

5. **Dogs traveling in a vehicle and the responsibilities of the owner**
   a. **Never** leave your **dog** in a vehicle parked in the **sun**. Even in mild weather, a vehicle can heat up and kill your dog very quickly.
   b. Should you be in a position where you have to leave your dog in a vehicle, **always park** your vehicle **under shade**, even in the winter months. Without compromising security, leave **windows open** for **ventilation**.
   c. Be aware that dogs may become **territorial** when in your vehicle. This can lead to aggressive (protective) **behaviour** towards strangers who may inadvertently approach your vehicle. If present, **reprimand** any territorial behaviour. **Advise** people to never put their hand through a window or door.
   d. Dogs should **leave** the vehicle in a **controlled manner**, either on a lead or under strict control to stay with you.
   e. Avoid **cartsickness** problems or **stress** by **gradually** but **consistently** taking your dog out for **short** trips.
   f. Try to keep your dog in a **calm** state of mind whilst traveling.
   g. Dogs should **not distract** the driver.
   h. Dogs should be **secure** in a vehicle; either in a cage, station-wagon barrier; or dog car harness.
   i. **Never** let your dog travel with its **head out of the window**.
   j. How a dog behaves in a vehicle on the first few journeys will form its habits for its lifetime.

6. **Equipment**
   a. A dog’s lead must be **used** or **carried** by the handler **whenever** your dog is **in public**. It should be **comfortable** to hold at any part of its length. It should be in **good condition** (ie, no worn stitching, chewed areas or a clip that may not be reliable).
   b. There are many types of “collars” available on the market to help you walk your dog in a **controlled manner** (eg, haltie, gentle leaders, harness leaders, slip chain, etc). Make sure you have the type that **suits your dog**. Seek advice on the **correct method** to use each type of restraint.
   c. With the **exception** of a standard leather or webbing **collar**, no restraint should be **left** on your dog whilst **unsupervised**.
   d. Choose a **restraint** that will **not break** under strain and check that it **fits correctly** (eg, if a dog suddenly backs up, it cannot slip out of its collar).
   e. The dog’s current **Local Authority registration tag** belonging to the dog must always be worn in public.
7. Dogs and children
   It is the adults total responsibility to protect children from the dog and the dog from the children. Hence, children must be taught how to behave around dogs. Specifically:
   a. Never make sudden movements close to a dog.
   b. Always ask permission before touching a dog they do not know.
   c. Never scream or suddenly yell close to a dog.
   d. Never lunge at or startle a dog, particularly if it is asleep.
   e. Never put their face close to a dog's face.
   f. Never eat food close to a dog.
   g. Never tease or pull a dog’s body or coat.
   h. Always wash their hands after playing with a dog.
   i. If a dog gives a warning growl, instruct the child that it must leave the dog alone.
   j. Children should be reminded to respect all dogs.
   k. Never leave child alone with a dog and supervise all play between child and dog.
   l. Instruct the child to leave a dog alone if the dog is eating.

8. Babies
   a. When the family has a baby, it is natural that much attention will be given to the new arrival. It is therefore important that the dog does not become resentful of the new “pack member”. Owners should ensure that the dog’s daily routine continues and the dog receives the same attention and discipline.
   b. Never leave the baby alone with a dog and supervise all interaction between baby and dog.

9. Barking
   a. Excessive barking is a nuisance and could lead to relations with your neighbours disintegrating. If you dog is barking excessively, find out the reason why and put measures in place to stop it.
   b. Communicate with your neighbours and tell them you are trying to find out the cause of the barking and to put a stop to it. If need be, ask them to help, which will make them feel like you are being proactive and considerate.

10. Dogs off lead
    a. Never walk your dog off lead if there are public notices that prohibit this.
    b. Only take your dog off lead if it has a reliable recall back to you, in any environment and under any distraction.
    c. Never take your dog off lead if there is traffic around.
    d. Obey Regional and Local Authority by-laws, and Department of Conservation regulations with regard to off-lead and on-lead areas and times of year.

11. More than one dog
    If owning more than one dog:
    a. make sure each dog gets attention, affection and guidance;
    b. training all dogs at the same time can lead to distraction, confusion and inter-pack competition. Set times aside for each dog to get the same one-on-one attention;
    c. once each dog is sure of obedience commands, make sure all dogs obey at the same time and in the same manner;
d. “pack” behaviour is more evident in multi-dog families. Learn about pack behaviour and body language from dog clubs, internet and books, so you can avert bad intra-pack behaviour before it starts.

12. Socialisation
Socialising puppies and dogs is extremely important. To not do so can result in fear-aggressive behaviour later on in the dog’s life. Introduce the puppy/dog to everything it will encounter in its life (eg, people, other animals, children, cars, etc) in a gradual and controlled manner, so each part is not an overload and therefore frightening. You, as owner, should always be confident in each new situation, so the pup/dog will take its cue from you.

13. Territorial behaviour
a. Dogs are naturally territorial (ie, they “protect” what they consider as their territory, which can include a vehicle). They display this behaviour usually by barking and/or rushing behaviour, which can escalate out of control. Mankind domesticated the dog for his territorial (protection) attributes. Hence, we do not want to suppress them, only to control them.

b. Suggestions to “control” your dog’s territorial behaviour:
   i. Distract the dog by calling and then rewarding when the dog comes to you;
   ii. Put the dog into a down stay and enforce it until the dog calms down;
   iii. Put your dog in areas of the property that reduces his excuse to protect (eg, back yard, instead of front yard)

14. Playing with your dog
Play behaviour (eg, chasing and tugging) are watered-down predatory behaviours. These behaviours can be more pronounced in some breeds more than others (eg, a Border Collie is more likely to chase a ball, whilst a Staffordshire Terrier will tend to not let go with a tug game). Games are important to build a relationship with your dog. Main rule to follow is YOU start the game and YOU finish the game, as well as playing the game following your rules, not the dog’s.

15. Unacceptable or insecure behaviour
a. Constant company, excessive reassurance and/or touching given to a dog may cause stress when it is left on its own. The result may be excessive barking, whining/howling, and/or destructive behaviour. Condition your pup/dog to separation, and do not give in to the dog demanding attention or patting.

b. At night, if it is necessary to vocally command a noisy dog, it should be done at a distance. This avoids the dog learning how to call its owner back. Alternatively, ignoring the behaviour can extinguish it, as the dog realises it will not get the attention it wants and finally goes to sleep.

c. Excessive aggression – There are several reasons why a dog can become aggressive. It is recommended to seek the advice of your local dog obedience club or the assistance of a professional dog behaviorist in the analyzing and correcting of any aggression problems.

16. How does a dog learn?
A dog is constantly learning. They learn by understanding what is to their advantage or disadvantage by:

a. Habit (repetition) (if the dog is rewarded for sitting at the curb-side, it will eventually repeat a sit at every curb-side automatically);

b. Routine of the dog within its family (when owners are getting ready to go to work, dog knows the place it will be put to spend the day);

c. Trial and error – discovering pleasurable experiences (sitting under the dining room table in the hope of a dropped tit bit) and not so pleasurable experiences (disturbing the cat resulting in the dog getting a scratch);
c. **Insight** – combining two experiences to form a new experience (owner gets the dog’s lead, dog is then put in the car = time at the park);
d. **Observation** – watching and imitating (a new dog in the household learns behavior from the older dog already there);
e. **Latent** – neither reinforced or discouraged (a dog finds its way home through a familiar neighbourhood).

When teaching a dog good behaviour, it must be remembered:

a. **inconsistency** causes confusion. If you let a dog pull on the lead sometimes and other times, you don’t, the dog will be confused and it will delay the learning process;
b. **praise or discouragement** allied to the dog’s behaviour **must be immediate**. The dog will only recognise the praise or discouragement to a particular behaviour within two seconds of the act;
c. when **play, praise and rewarding** are linked to teach a dog, the result is a happy dog;
d. when there is a problem with your dog’s learning, don’t immediately work at the symptom. Instead, try to think like a dog to find the cause of any problems before attempting to reverse it.

17. **Legislation and Local Authority Dog Regulations**  
(See also, paragraph 2 of this Responsibility and Care section)

a. Each **Local Authority** has their own bylaws which essentially describes how dogs must be controlled in public places to reduce the likelihood of dangerous behaviour and nuisance situations arising. These Bylaws are specific to that area and can include:
   i. control of dogs on leash;
   ii. dog exercise areas
   iii. public places;
   iv. fouling in public places
   v. permit to keep more than one dog;
   vi. dog control fees.

   It is essential to make yourself familiar with your particular Local Authority dog control rules.

b. One of the penalties for dog owners failing to comply with any part of the Local Authority bylaw(s) is an infringement notice fine.

c. **Make sure to make yourself familiar with the Dog Control Act 1996.** These pertain nationwide. This Act was amended and key provisions came into force on 1 December 2003.

d. **Schedule 4** of the Dog Control Act 1996 restricts the importing, breeding and sale of the following breeds/type of dogs. They currently are:
   i. American Pit Bull Terrier;
   ii. Dogo Argentino;
   iii. Brazilian Fila;

   These breeds are currently classified as menacing.
Canine Good Citizen – Foundation – Resource Guide

Key:  
(H) = Handler to supply  
(C) = Club to supply  
(A) = Assessor to supply

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Resources Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Appearance, handling and responsibility:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
| a. Responsibility and care | (C) If required, person(s) to ask the questions orally.  
(C) If required, person(s) to initially mark exercise papers (Assessor(s) must stamp correct).  
(C) If required, pens and paper.  
(A) Questionnaire paper(s). |
| b. Public cleanliness and identification | (H) Some form of 'poop scoop'.  
(H) Correctly fitted restraint.  
(H) Dog’s registration tag. |
| c. Examination of the dog by handler | |
| d. Grooming and inspection of the dog by the assessor | (H) The dog’s usual brush or comb.  
(H) Only if required, a vet’s certificate.  
(C) Table for small dogs (if required). |
| 2. Food manners: | |
| a. Person eating | (A) Some form of human food (eg, biscuits). |
| b. Dog eating | (H) The dog’s bowl and usual dog food. |
| 3. Accepting a friendly stranger | (C) 1 person, not well known to the dog. |
| 4. Accepting being patted by a friendly stranger | (C) 1 person, not well known to the dog (who shall be different to the person used in exercise 3.). |
| 5. Walk on lead through a door/gate in a controlled manner | (C) Door or gateway.  
(C) Some sort of bag (eg, shopping bag, carry bag) which has something in it to weigh it down. |
| 6. Return to handler | (C) 1 person, preferably known to the dog. |
| 7. Walk on lead | (C) Possibly, directional markers or cones. |
| 8. Controlled walk through people and distractions: | |
| a. Pedestrian traffic | (C) No less than 3 and no more than 8 people. May consist of younger people, who shall be supervised. Some people may have hats on, may be carrying an umbrella or walking stick |
| b. Distractions | (C) 1 person to act as a jogger.  
(C) 3 to 4 people to act noisily and jostle.  
(C) Chair. |
| 9. Stay tied on lead | (C) Equipment (eg, tie up stakes) or area (eg, fence) where the dog(s) can be tied up at a reasonable distance from each other.  
(C) Possibly, people to watch the dogs.  
(C) Possibly, stay sheets. |
| 10. Controlled walk past another dog | (C) 1 person and 1 dog, not well known to the dog being tested. |
| 11. Supervised separation | (C) 1 person per dog (note, if not enough people, exercise can be done in sections). |
| 12. Playing with the dog | (H) Dog’s favourite toy, to be used in either a tug or a throw. |
# Canine Good Citizen – Bronze – Resource Guide

**Key:**

- (H) = Handler to supply
- (C) = Club to supply
- (A) = Assessor to supply

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Resources Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| **13. Responsibility and care** | (C) If required, person(s) to ask the questions orally.  
(H) If required, person(s) to initially mark test papers (Assessor(s) must stamp correct).  
(A) Questionnaire paper(s). |
| **14. Food manners** | (H) The dog’s bowl and usual dog food. |
| **15. Stay in one place (untied, handler in sight)** | (C) Possibly, people to watch the dogs.  
(C) Possibly, stay sheets. |
| **16. Stay tied on lead (handler out of sight)** | (C) Equipment (eg, tie up stakes) or area (eg, fence) where the dog(s) can be tied up at a reasonable distance from each other.  
(C) Possibly, people to watch the dogs.  
(C) Possibly, stay sheets. |
| **17. Staying still and return to handler** | |
| **18. Stationary vehicle control** | |
| **a. Into a vehicle** | (H) Own vehicle preferred, but another person’s vehicle is acceptable. |
| **b. Out of a vehicle** | (H) Own vehicle preferred, but another person’s vehicle is acceptable. |
| **19. Control at steps** | (C) A set of stairs, consisting of at least four steps. |
| **20. Walk on lead and reaction to distractions in a public area:** | |
| **a. Walk on lead** | (C) 3 people; 1 first to walk past dog, then 2-3 people in a group to walk past dog. People must not be known to the dog being tested. |
| **b. Distractions** | (C) Whichever two distractions are chosen, to provide: |
| **i.** | People to perform the following distractions:  
– car horn sounding;  
– shutting a car door;  
– drop a shopping bag; |
| **ii.** | People to perform the following distractions:  
– pushing a pram;  
– jogging past;  
– walking on crutches, or in a wheelchair or on a walker;  
– riding a bicycle. |
**Canine Good Citizen – Silver – Resource Guide**

**Key:**
- (H) = Handler to supply
- (C) = Club to supply
- (A) = Assessor to supply

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Resources Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| 21. Responsibility and care  | (C) If required, person(s) to ask the questions orally.  
                              | (C) If required, person(s) to initially mark exercise papers (Assessor(s) must stamp correct).  
                              | (C) If required, pens and paper.  
                              | (A) Questionnaire paper(s). |
| 22. Examination of the dog by a stranger (handler at a distance) | (C) Table for small dogs (if required).  
                             | (C) 1 person, not known to the dog. |
| 23. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) | (C) Possibly, people to watch the dogs.  
                           | (C) Possibly, stay sheets. |
| 24. Return to handler (with distractions) | (C) 6 people; 2 of which will each have a well mannered dog on lead. |
| 25. Stop the dog | (C) 1 person, with a dog on lead.  
                    | (C) 1 person to hold the dog (if necessary). |
| 26. Advanced vehicle control: |                |
| a. Into a vehicle | (H) A vehicle of their own choice. |
| b. Vehicle is moving | (C) 1 person and their dog not known to the dog being tested. |
| c. Out of a vehicle |                |
| 27. Staying still and return to handler in a public area |                |
| 28. Calm and controlled behaviour whilst in a busy public area: |                |
| a. Walking |                |
| b. Staying in one area |                |
| c. Accept being touched by a stranger | (C) If no member of the public is going to show an interest in the dog, then 1 person not known to the dog. |
### Canine Good Citizen – Gold – Resource Guide

**Key:**
- **(H)** = Handler to supply
- **(C)** = Club to supply
- **(A)** = Assessor to supply

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Resources Required</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>
| **29.** Responsibility and care | (C) If required, person(s) to ask the questions orally.  
(C) If required, person(s) to initially mark exercise papers (Assessor(s) must stamp correct).  
(C) If required, pens and paper.  
(A) Questionnaire paper(s). |
| **30.** Walking beside the handler, without a lead | |
| **31.** Sending the dog to a known article and staying | (H) An article reasonably large (eg, mat, blanket, article of clothing).  
(C) Person to hold the dog while handler places the article. |
| **32.** Parked vehicle control:  
   a. Into a vehicle and leaving dog | (H) A vehicle of their own choice. |
   b. Distractions outside the vehicle whilst parked  
   i. To a person | (C) 1 person not known to the dog. |
   ii. To a person and their dog | (C) 1 person walking a dog on lead. |
   c. Out of a vehicle | (H) A vehicle of their own choice. |
| **33.** Delivering a dropped article to hand | (H) An article that is owned by them, no less than the size of the handler’s palm and no more than the size of the handler’s hand (eg, gloves, wallet, small hanky, small dog’s toy, etc). |
| **34.** Another person (other than handler) walking the dog in a public area, with distractions  
   a. Handing the dog over to the nominated person | (H) 1 “nominated” person who is known to the dog being tested and knows the commands necessary for the dog. |
   b. Person walking the dog in a public area | (H) Nominated person walking the dog on lead. |
   c. Distractions whilst person walking the dog in a public area | (H) Nominated person walking the dog on lead.  
(C) 2 people to walk past.  
(C) 1 person and their dog to walk on opposite side. |
| **35.** Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) in a public area | (C) Possibly, people to watch the dog or (if necessary) ask the public to ignore and keep their own dogs under control. |
| **36.** Stop the dog and recall in a public area | (C) 1 person to hold the dog (if necessary)  
(H) Dog’s toy (if necessary) |
| **37.** Stay tied on lead (relaxed isolation) in a medium-busy public area | |
| **38.** Walking, with distractions, in a busy public area  
   a. Walking | (C) 1 person walking a dog on lead. |
   b. Distractions | |
Assessor’s Kit

- Assessment sheets.
- Clip board.
- Question sheets for responsibility and care section(s) (enough to be done as a written test, or alternatively, as an oral test).
- Copy of relevant bylaws for the area(s) you are contracted for.
- Pad and pens for responsibility and care section (just in case club does not supply).
- Wet weather pad and pen.
- Stopwatch.
- Human food (eg, packet of biscuits).
- Dog bowl and some dog food (in case the handler forgets to bring their own).
- Brush and comb (in case the handler forgets to bring their own).
- Tape measure and something to mark ground (eg, chalk, cones, etc).
- Bag (supermarket or similar) with something big and light in it (just in case club does not supply).
- 1-2 metre lead.
- Ball and tug toy (in case the handler forgets to bring their own or the handler uses a toy that holds no interest for the dog).
- Wipes.
- Small first aid kit suitable for humans and dogs (just in case club does not supply).
Canine Good Citizen – Foundation – Progress Indicator

Handler:  

Dog:  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved ✓</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>1. Appearance, handling and responsibility:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Public cleanliness and identification</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Examination of the dog by handler</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>d. Grooming and inspection of the dog by the assessor</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>2. Food manners:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Person eating</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Dog eating</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>3. Accepting a friendly stranger</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>4. Accepting being patted by a friendly stranger</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>5. Walk on lead through a door/gate in a controlled manner</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>6. Return to handler</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>7. Walk on lead</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>8. Controlled walk through people and distractions:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Pedestrian traffic</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>9. Stay tied on lead</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>10. Controlled walk past another dog</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>11. Supervised separation</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>12. Playing with the dog</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Comments:

READY TO SIT LEVEL
Canine Good Citizen – Bronze – Progress Indicator

Handler: __________________________________________
Dog: __________________________________________

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved ✓</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>13. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14. Food manners</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15. Stay in one place (untied, handler in sight)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16. Stay tied on lead (handler out of sight)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17. Staying still and return to handler</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18. Stationary vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19. Control at steps</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20. Walk on lead and reaction to distractions in a public area:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walk on lead</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Comments:

READY TO SIT LEVEL
Canine Good Citizen – Silver – Progress Indicator

Handler:  
Dog:  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>21. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>22. Examination of the dog by a stranger (handler at a distance)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>23. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>24. Return to handler (with distractions)</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>25. Stop the dog</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>26. Advanced vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Vehicle is moving</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>27. Staying still and return to handler in a public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>28. Calm and controlled behaviour whilst in a busy public area:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Staying in one area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Accept being touched by a stranger</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Comments:  

READY TO SIT LEVEL
**Canine Good Citizen – Gold – Progress Indicator**

**Handler:**  

**Dog:**  

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved ✓</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>29. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>30. Walking beside the handler, without a lead</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>31. Sending the dog to a known article and staying</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>32. Parked vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle and leaving dog</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions outside the vehicle whilst parked</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>33. Delivering a dropped article to hand</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>34. Another person (other than handler) walking the dog in a public area with distractions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Handing the dog over to the nominated person</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Distractions whilst person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>35. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) in a public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>36. Stop the dog and recall in a public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>37. Stay tied on lead (relaxed isolation) in a busy public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>38. Walking, with distractions, in a busy public area</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Comments:**  

**READY TO SIT LEVEL**
# Canine Good Citizen – Foundation – Assessment Sheet

**To be completed by handler (please print):**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Name:</th>
<th>Phone Number(s):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Email:</th>
<th>Postal Address:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dog’s Pet Name:</th>
<th>Breed:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Club member:</th>
<th>Yes / No</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dog Registered with (Council/Local Authority):</th>
<th>Council/Local Authority Registration Tag No.:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**If you are a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club or your dog is NZKC registered, please supply the following information:**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Registration No.:</th>
<th>Dog’s Registration No.:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Dog’s Registered Name &amp; Titles:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Number and Name of Exercise**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Exercise Description</th>
<th>Achieved Yes ✓ / No X</th>
<th>If no, brief reason why</th>
</tr>
</thead>
</table>

39. Appearance, handling and responsibility:
   a. Responsibility and care
   b. Public cleanliness and identification
   c. Examination of the dog by handler
   d. Grooming and inspection of the dog by the assessor

40. Food manners:
   a. Person eating
   b. Dog eating

41. Accepting a friendly stranger

42. Accepting being patted by a friendly stranger

43. Walk on lead through a door/gate in a controlled manner

44. Return to handler

45. Walk on lead

46. Controlled walk through people and distractions:
   a. Pedestrian traffic
   b. Distractions

47. Stay tied on lead

48. Controlled walk past another dog

49. Supervised separation

50. Playing with the dog

**To be completed by hosting club and assessor(s):**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hosting club:</th>
<th>Date of Assessment:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Club Official (Print name):</th>
<th>Club Official (Signature):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Assessor (1) (Signature):</th>
<th>Assessor (2) (Signature):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Assessor (1) (Print name):</th>
<th>Assessor (2) (Print name):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please Circle: **PASS** **FAIL**

*This form, together with the NZKC Assessment Fee of $15, to be sent to:* New Zealand Kennel Club Private Bag 50903 Porirua 5240
Canine Good Citizen – Bronze – Assessment Sheet

To be completed by handler (please print):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field</th>
<th>Information</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Handler’s Name:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Phone Number(s):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Email:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Postal Address:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Pet Name:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Breed:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club member:</td>
<td>Yes / No</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>If Yes, Club name:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog Registered with (Council/Local Authority):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Council/Local Authority Registration Tag No.:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you are a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club or your dog is NZKC registered, please supply the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field</th>
<th>Information</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Handler’s Registration No.:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Registration No.:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Registered Name &amp; Titles:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved Yes ✓ / No X</th>
<th>If no, brief reason why</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>51. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>52. Food manners</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>53. Stay in one place (untied, handler in sight)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>54. Stay tied on lead (handler out of sight)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>55. Staying still and return to handler</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>56. Stationary vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>57. Control at steps</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>58. Walk on lead and reaction to distractions in a public area:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walk on lead</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To be completed by hosting club and assessor(s):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Field</th>
<th>Information</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Hosting club:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Date of Assessment:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Print name):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Signature):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Title):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Signature):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (2) (Signature):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Print name):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (2) (Print name):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please Circle: PASS        FAIL

This form, together with the NZKC Assessment Fee of $15, to be sent to: New Zealand Kennel Club Private Bag 50903 Porirua 5240
# Canine Good Citizen – Silver – Assessment Sheet

**To be completed by handler (please print):**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Name:</th>
<th>Phone Number(s):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Email:</td>
<td>Postal Address:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Pet Name:</td>
<td>Breed:</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**Club member:** Yes / No  
If Yes, Club name:

**Dog Registered with (Council/Local Authority):**  
Council/Local Authority Registration Tag No.:

If you are a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club or your dog is NZKC registered, please supply the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Registration No.:</th>
<th>Dog’s Registration No.:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Registered Name &amp; Titles:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved Yes ✓ / No X</th>
<th>If no, brief reason why</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>59. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>60. Examination of the dog by a stranger (handler at a distance)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>61. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>62. Return to handler (with distractions)</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>63. Stop the dog</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>64. Advanced vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Vehicle is moving</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>65. Staying still and return to handler in a public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>66. Calm and controlled behaviour whilst in a busy public area:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Staying in one area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Accept being touched by a stranger</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

**To be completed by hosting club and assessor(s):**

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hosting club:</th>
<th>Date of Assessment:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Print name):</td>
<td>Club Official (Signature):</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Title):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Signature):</td>
<td>Assessor (2) (Signature):</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Print name):</td>
<td>Assessor (2) (Print name):</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please Circle:  
PASS  FAIL

This form, together with the NZKC Assessment Fee of $15, to be sent to: New Zealand Kennel Club  
Private Bag 50903  
Porirua 5240  

CGC MANUAL (JANUARY 2009).DOC/s

53
### Canine Good Citizen – Gold – Assessment Sheet

To be completed by handler (please print):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Name:</th>
<th>Phone Number(s):</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Email:</td>
<td>Postal Address:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Pet Name:</td>
<td>Breed:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club member:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Yes / No</td>
<td>If Yes, Club name:</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Dog Registered with (Council/Local Authority):</td>
<td>Council/Local Authority Registration Tag No.:</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

If you are a member of the New Zealand Kennel Club or your dog is NZKC registered, please supply the following information:

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Handler’s Registration No.:</th>
<th>Dog’s Registration No.:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Dog’s Registered Name &amp; Titles:</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Number and Name of Exercise</th>
<th>Achieved Yes ✓ / No X</th>
<th>If no, brief reason why</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>67. Responsibility and care</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>68. Walking beside the handler, without a lead</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>69. Sending the dog to a known article and staying</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>70. Parked vehicle control:</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Into a vehicle and leaving dog</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions outside the vehicle whilst parked</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Out of a vehicle</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>71. Delivering a dropped article to hand</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>72. Another person (other than handler) walking the dog in a public area, with distractions</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Handing the dog over to the nominated person</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>c. Distractions whilst person walking the dog in a public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>73. Stay in a down position (untied, handler out of sight) in a public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>74. Stop the dog and recall in a public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>75. Stay tied on lead (relaxed isolation) in a busy public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>76. Walking, with distractions, in a busy public area</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>a. Walking</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>b. Distractions</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

To be completed by hosting club and assessor(s):

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>Hosting club:</th>
<th>Date of Assessment:</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Print name):</td>
<td>Club Official (Signature):</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Club Official (Title):</td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Signature):</td>
<td>Assessor (2) (Signature):</td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>Assessor (1) (Print name):</td>
<td>Assessor (2) (Print name):</td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>

Please Circle:

- PASS
- FAIL

This form, together with the NZKC Assessment Fee of $15, to be sent to:

New Zealand Kennel Club
Private Bag 50903
Porirua 5240
Canine Good Citizen – Foundation – Assessment Day Summary

This form may be used as a summary of the day’s results for assessor/club information only.

Please note, the Handler’s Assessment Sheet must be completed in detail and sent to the NZKC

| No. | Handler | Dog’s Pet Name | 1a | 1b | 1c | 1d | 2a | 2b | 3  | 4  | 5  | 6  | 7  | 8a | 8b | 9  | 10 | 11 | 12 |
|-----|---------|----------------|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|----|
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
|     |         |                |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |    |
Canine Good Citizen – Bronze – Assessment Day Summary

This form may be used as a summary of the day’s results for assessor/club information only. Please note, the Handler’s Assessment Sheet must be completed in detail and sent to the NZKC.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Handler</th>
<th>Dog’s Pet Name</th>
<th>Responsibility &amp; care</th>
<th>Food manners</th>
<th>Stay (untied) Handler in sight</th>
<th>Stay (tied) Handler out of sight</th>
<th>Stay and return to handler</th>
<th>Into a vehicle</th>
<th>Out of a vehicle</th>
<th>Control at steps</th>
<th>Public area. Walk on lead</th>
<th>Public area. Distractions</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td>13</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>14</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>15</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>16</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>17</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18a</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>18b</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>19</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20a</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td>20b</td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
## Canine Good Citizen – Silver – Assessment Day Summary

This form may be used as a summary of the day’s results for assessor/club information only. Please note, the Handler’s Assessment Sheet must be completed in detail and sent to the NZKC.

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Handler</th>
<th>Dog’s Pet Name</th>
<th>Responsibility &amp; care</th>
<th>Examination of dog (handler at a distance)</th>
<th>Down stay (untied)</th>
<th>Handler out of sight</th>
<th>Return to handler (with distractions)</th>
<th>Stop the dog</th>
<th>Into a vehicle</th>
<th>Vehicle is moving</th>
<th>Out of a vehicle</th>
<th>Public area. Staying still &amp; return to handler</th>
<th>Public area. Walking</th>
<th>Public area. Staying</th>
<th>Stranger acceptance</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>
### Canine Good Citizen – Gold – Assessment Day Summary

This form may be used as a summary of the day’s results for assessor/club information only.

Please note, the Handler’s Assessment Sheet must be completed in detail and sent to the NZKC

<table>
<thead>
<tr>
<th>No.</th>
<th>Handler</th>
<th>Dog’s Pet Name</th>
<th>Responsibility &amp; care</th>
<th>Walking (off lead)</th>
<th>Sending dog to article &amp; staying</th>
<th>Into a vehicle and leaving dog alone</th>
<th>Distractions whilst in a parked vehicle</th>
<th>Out of a vehicle</th>
<th>Finding and delivering an article to hand</th>
<th>Handing dog to another person</th>
<th>Public area, another person walking dog</th>
<th>Public area, distractions whilst walking</th>
<th>Public area, Down stay (untied), Handler out of sight</th>
<th>Public area, Stop the dog and recall</th>
<th>Public area, Stay (led), Handler out of sight</th>
<th>Public area, Walking</th>
<th>Public area, Walking with distractions</th>
</tr>
</thead>
<tbody>
<tr>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
<td></td>
</tr>
</tbody>
</table>