

PSCA Pyrenean Shepherd Test de Comportement

(Based on the Test de comportement R.A.C.P. Berger des Pyrénées.)

The PSCA offers a special temperament test, just for Pyrenean Shepherds, based on the Réunion des Amateurs de Chiens Pyrénéens (RACP) Test de Comportement in France. This test is only given once a year at the PSCA National Specialty. Dogs that receive a passing grade receive the PSCA title of TCQ which may be used at the end of a dog's name. (<http://www.pyrshepclub.org/awards/tcq/>)

The test consists of 5 components, and is based on a dog's natural character and reactions, not on training. In fact, it is recommend NOT to train for this, as dog's typically get lower scores.

Part 1: Presentation of the Dog to the Tester *(1ère étape du test : Présentation du chien au juge.)*

DESCRIPTION: Tester walks up to the Handler and shakes hands with the Handler.

Part 2: Obstacle Passage *(2ème étape du test : Parcours en laisse détendue.)*

DESCRIPTION: Dog walks with the Handler through obstacles and rough terrain.

Part 3: Examination of the Object *(3ème étape du test : Epreuve de l'objet.)* DESCRIPTION: Tester opens an umbrella, sets it on the ground and walks away. Dog may be walked past it several times.

Part 4: Absence of the Handler *(4ème étape du test : Test en l'absence du maître.)* DESCRIPTION: The Handler ties the dog to an object and handler goes out of sight of the dog for several minutes.

Part 5: Return of the Handler *(5ème étape du test : Test au retour du maître.)*

DESCRIPTION: The Handler returns to the dog.

GRADING

A grade of A or B is necessary to pass the test and to receive the title: **TCQ**. *(La mention A ou B est nécessaire pour l'obtention du titre de recommandé.)*

A: 20 to 16 (A : de 20 à 16) B: 15 to 12 (B : de 15 à 12) C: 11 to 10 (C : de 11 à 10) D: 9 to 6 (D : de 9 à 6) E: 5 to 0 (E : de 5 à 0)

A grade of 0 in any area at the time of a test will be an automatic failure of the test. The tester will have to explain clearly his decision in detail on the scoring sheet. In case of C, D or E grade, the dog can be retested by 2 testers, excluding the one that originally tested the dog.

PSCA Pyrenean Shepherd Test de Comportement: ENTRY FORM

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PSCA National Specialty 2020-Location: Louisville, KY

Wednesday March 11th and Thursday, March 12th, 2020

from 2-4 pm in the Agility Area

***ENTRIES DUE February 26th, 2020 by email (or postmarked by February 19th by mail)**

Registered Name: _____

Call Name: _____

Registration #: _____

Handler: _____

Day of Test Cell Phone: _____

Check your preferred day: Wednesday, March 11th Thursday, March 12th

** We will try as much as possible to accommodate everyone's busy schedule. Please note your preferred time.*

Entry Fee: \$5.00 Paid by: Cash Check Online

FOR ONLINE PAYMENT (<http://www.pyrshepclub.org/>)

(Form must still be submitted via email or mail)

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