



Kennel Union of Southern Africa

SCHEDULE 11(A) – CANINE GOOD CITIZEN

CGC Care & Responsibility Questions

The purpose of this section is to ensure that the handler of the dog can care for their dog in a responsible manner. There are no prescribed answers to these questions. The answers provide opportunity to engage with the handler and should be conducted in an interactive manner. The handler should not be marked 'Not Ready' in situations where the handlers answer differs from the practices of the Evaluator. The intention is to ensure that the handler is making informed decisions regarding the care and upbringing of their dog.

	Puppy	Bronze	Silver	Gold
	Five (5) questions should be asked around vaccinations and deworming, house training, socialisation, teething, chewing, and exercise.	The Evaluator should ask the handler questions around the basic care of the dog. This will include aspects such as grooming, feeding, equipment and the rights of a dog.	The Evaluator should ask the handler questions around problem behaviours at home, e.g. separation anxiety, barking, chasing objects/people, illnesses, feeding regimes, allowing dogs off lead in public places, dogs and children, exercise, leaving dogs in the car, strangers approaching a car with a dog in it, etc.	The Evaluator should ask the handler questions around problem behaviours with regards to neighbours and community, e.g. chasing objects/people, allowing dogs off lead in public places, dogs and children, leaving dogs in the car, strangers approaching a car with a dog in it, etc.
Legal	What are a dogs rights?	What are the rights of a dog?	What are a dogs rights?	---
	Does your dog require a licence?	---	How long is the rabies vaccination valid for?	---
	According to your area's by-laws how many dogs are allowed in one household?	---	What food do you feed your dog and why?	---

	Name two ways you can provide dog's identification.	---	---	---
Health & Care	When and why do dogs need vaccinations?	How often do you feed your dog and how much?	How do you know if your dog has fleas?	What is your opinion of medical aid for dogs?
	How would you give your puppy the best start in life, for the first year, in terms of nutrition?	How often do you wash your dog bowls?	---	---
	---	---	How do you check for ticks and for fleas?	---
			How do you treat your dogs for ticks and fleas?	
	What do you consider a suitable treat to give to your puppy?	Do you have separate bowls for your dogs?	What types of worms can your dog get?	---
	---	How often do you change your dogs water?	How do you prevent/ get rid of worms in your dog?	---
	---	Why would you groom your dog other than to keep it clean?	Name four essential things you need to provide for your dog.	---
	---	---	Name three signs that your dog may be sick.	---
	What level of activity is acceptable for your: <ul style="list-style-type: none">• 8-week old puppy• 6-month old puppy• 12-month old (medium breed)	Describe your dogs coat and how you would care for it, and how often.	What is the normal range for a dogs temperature?	---
	---	---	When do you decide to take your dog to the vet if you suspect it is sick or has an injury?	---
General, Training & Outings	How would you teach a new puppy to potty outside?	Describe suitable equipment i.t.o. collars, harnesses, leash etc.	What phone numbers do you give your house sitter when you leave your dog with them?	What should you consider when leaving a public place with your dog following a walk?

	How would you occupy a new puppy at home if you need to leave him/ her unattended for a short while?	---	What is your vet's phone number?	How could your dog be a nuisance to others in your neighbourhood?
	What are two benefits of crate training?	---	What do you do if your dog pulls on the lead?	If your dog causes damage to a person or property, what do you do?
	---	---	What punishment is acceptable if your dog is disobedient?	Your dog eliminates while on a walk in your neighbourhood. What do you do?
	---	---	---	Name TWO things you would tell children when they approach to greet your dog.
	---	---	---	Leaving your dog in a car unattended is not advisable. If you need to nip out briefly, what must you remember to do?
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	---	---	When is it appropriate to leave your dog as with the 'supervised isolation' exercise?	When is it appropriate to leave your dog as with the 'supervised isolation' exercise?