

Volhard Temperment Testing Results for Lukas v Bahn Litter conducted on 12-19-09 at 7.6 weeks of age							
TEST	STAG RED MALE - "MAGIC" (Yellow Ribbon)	BLACK/TAN MALE - "MAX" (Red Ribbon)	RED MALE - "FLAME" (Blue Ribbon)	STAG RED FEMALE - "DASH" (Blue Ribbon)	RED GIRL - "DREAMER" (Yellow Ribbon)	BLK GIRL - "BELLE" (Pink Ribbon)	BLACK GIRL - "VENUS" (Green Ribbon)
SOCIAL ATTRACTION	3	2	4	2	4	5	3
FOLLOWING	3	3	3	3	3	4	2
RESTRAINT	5	3	2	4	2	4	2
SOCIAL DOMINANCE	3	2	3	3	3	3	4
ELEVATION DOMINANCE	4	3	4	4	3	4	4
RETRIEVING	1	1	2	1	3	2	3
TOUCH SENSITIVITY	4	5	4	1	6	1	1
SOUND SENSITIVITY	3	6	4	6	2	3	6
SIGHT SENSITIVITY	1	1	1	1	1	4	3
STABILITY	1	3	1	2	5	3	2

Link to Volhard Testing Site

<http://volhard.com/pat/pat.php>

WHAT DO THE SCORES MEAN?

The scores are interpreted as follows:

Mostly 1's -

Strong desire to be pack leader and is not shy about bucking for a promotion
Has a predisposition to be aggressive to people and other dogs and will bite
Should only be placed into a very experienced home where the dog will be trained and worked on a regular basis

Top Dog Tips: Stay away from the puppy with a lot of 1's or 2's. It has lots of leadership aspirations and may be difficult to manage. This puppy needs an experienced home. Not good with children.

Mostly 2's -

Also has leadership aspirations
May be hard to manage and has the capacity to bite
Has lots of self-confidence
Should not be placed into an inexperienced home
Too unruly to be good with children and elderly people, or other animals
Needs strict schedule, loads of exercise and lots of training
Has the potential to be a great show dog with someone who understands dog behavior

Mostly 3's -

Can be a high-energy dog and may need lots of exercise
Good with people and other animals
Can be a bit of a handful to live with
Needs training, does very well at it and learns quickly
Great dog for second time owner.

Mostly 4's -

The kind of dog that makes the perfect pet
Best choice for the first time owner.
Rarely will buck for a promotion in the family
Easy to train, and rather quiet.
Good with elderly people, children, although may need protection from the children
Choose this pup, take it to obedience classes, and you'll be the star, without having to do too much work!

Tidbits: The puppy with mostly 3's and 4's can be quite a handful, but should be good with children and does well with training. Energy needs to be dispersed with plenty of exercise.

Mostly 5's -

Fearful, shy and needs special handling
Will run away at the slightest stress in its life
Strange people, strange places, different floor or ground surfaces may upset it
Often afraid of loud noises and terrified of thunder storms. When you greet it upon your return, may submissively urinate. Needs a very special home where the environment doesn't change too much and where there are no children
Best for a quiet, elderly couple
If cornered and cannot get away, has a tendency to bite

Top Dog Tips: Avoid the puppy with several 5's. It is so independent it doesn't need you or anyone. He is his own person and unlikely to bond to you.

Mostly 6's -

So independent that he doesn't need you or other people
Doesn't care if he is trained or not - he is his own person
Unlikely to bond to you, since he doesn't need you.
A great guard dog for gas stations!
Do not take this puppy and think you can change him into a lovable bundle - you can't, so leave well enough alone

INTERPRETING THE SCORES

Few puppies will test with all 2's or all 3's - there will be a mixture of scores.

For that first time, wonderfully easy to train, potential star, look for a puppy that scores with mostly 4's and 3's. Don't worry about the score on Touch Sensitivity - you can compensate for that with the right training equipment.