

# Application for TESTING—Certified Working Therapy Dog Team

Therapy Dogs of Vermont (TDV) offers two options for therapy dog evaluation: Certified Working Therapy Dog Team and Therapy Dog-Qualified Title.



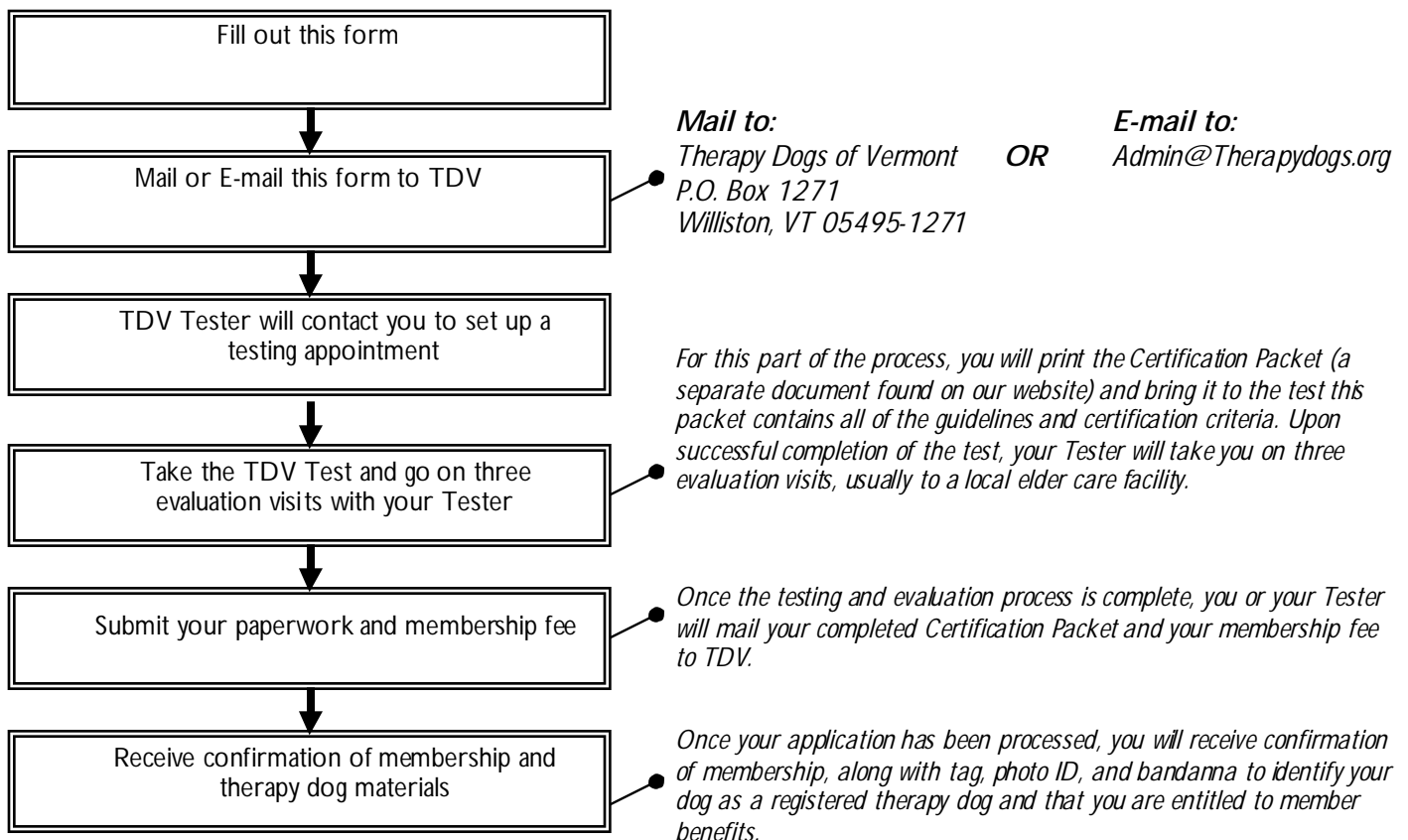
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**The Working Therapy Dog Team Certification** is for those who plan to volunteer in the community by providing therapy dog visits. It involves taking the TDV test, completing three evaluation visits, providing required proof of vaccinations, and paying a membership fee. This option grants the team authorization to make therapy dog visits to facilities, insurance for those visits, therapy dog identification, and the benefits of membership in TDV. **This application requests testing for this certification option.**

**The Therapy Dog-Qualified Title (TDQ)** is for those seeking a title indicating that their dog has met the temperament and obedience standards to be qualified as a therapy dog but who do not wish to volunteer. It involves taking the TDV test and paying a titling fee. This option *does not* grant authorization to make therapy dog visits to facilities, nor does it provide insurance, therapy dog identification, membership in TDV, or any other ongoing affiliation with TDV. It *does* grant a therapy dog title issued by Therapy Dogs of Vermont.

This short form is the first step in our certification and membership process to become a certified **working dog team qualified to do dog therapy visits in the community**. The steps of the certification process are:



## Certification and first-year membership fees:

- **Testing Fee:** \$20 (non-refundable fee for testing; once candidate completes all certification requirements successfully, this fee will be applied toward the first year membership)
- **Full membership per dog (first year):** \$45 (covers household family members tested and evaluated at same time)
- **2nd handler (different household):** \$10 (If tested/evaluated at same time as primary handler; full membership rate applies if second handler is tested and evaluated at a different time)

For more information about the testing and evaluation process, please visit us online at [www.therapydogs.org](http://www.therapydogs.org)

# *Application to Become a Certified Working Therapy Dog Team*

Name of Handler: \_\_\_\_\_

Additional handlers to be tested (*all handlers must be 14 or older*):

\_\_\_\_\_

Address: \_\_\_\_\_

Phone: \_\_\_\_\_

E-mail: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's Name: \_\_\_\_\_

Dog's age: \_\_\_\_\_ Breed of Dog: \_\_\_\_\_

Is your dog currently on a raw meat diet of any kind? \_\_\_\_\_ (*therapy dogs must not be on a raw meat diet per TDV guidelines—please see the website for more information*)

Where would you like to volunteer once you and your dog become a TDV-certified team? If you do not know of a specific facility, what would you like to do with your certification?

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Why do you want to become involved with Therapy Dogs of Vermont?

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*\* All questions must be answered for an application to be considered complete.*

**THANK YOU FOR YOUR TIME AND INTEREST!**

**You must be tested and evaluated by an approved TDV tester/evaluator.**