

CBATI – Practical Skills Assessment

Video Case Study Procedures

The video case study allows us to do a Practical Skills Assessment for your work as a BAT instructor. It must show your work with a person and their dog using BAT (must not live in your household).

What does the case study assess?

The CBATI program was created to facilitate referrals to trainers and behaviorists who are doing BAT the 'right' way. The short version of that is "would Grisha recommend this trainer to a client as a BAT instructor?"

Here are the criteria (subject to change, changes will be published).

- Is the trainer professional?
- Does the trainer understand BAT and its nuances?
- Does the trainer explain BAT well to the client?
- Is safety (correctly) taken into account?
- Is the trainer accurately reading the dog?
- Does the trainer notice and explain his/her mistakes made in the sessions, especially the big ones (if any)?
- Does the trainer adjust criteria correctly for BAT?
 - Is the dog below threshold?
 - If not, does the trainer change the situation to set the dog up for success?
 - Does the dog make progress during the sessions?

What is required for the case study? The video case study must include the following items. The file name to submit is shown in the format *lastnamefirstname* (where lastname is your family name and firstname is your given name). Your file time may be .mov, .mp4, or some other popular type.

1. Signed waiver (keep for your records)
2. *lastnamefirstname-questions.mov*
About 5 minutes of the client answering the provided questions on the dog's behavior history (transcript and translation must be included if this is not in English. Someone other than you must do the translation and the translator's full name and email address must be provided.)
3. *lastnamefirstname-1-1.mov*
The first 5 minutes of BAT in your first session with that dog
4. *lastnamefirstname-1-2.mov*
The last 5 minutes of BAT your first session with that dog
5. *lastnamefirstname-2-1.mov*
The first 5 minutes of BAT of your third session with that dog
6. *lastnamefirstname-2-2.mov*
The last 5 minutes of BAT of your third session with that dog



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7. *lastnamefirstname-3-1.mov*
The first 5 minutes of BAT of another session with that dog (this can be the 4th, 5th, 10th, session, your choice. Later sessions show more progress!)
8. *lastnamefirstname-3-2.mov*
The last 5 minutes of BAT of the same session with that dog
9. *lastnamefirstname-notes.txt*
Your written comments on the times when you could have improved and times when you feel that the session went well (and why). For each comment, note the file name, the time in that video, and the comment that you have.
10. *lastnamefirstname-problem.mov*
Bonus material: you may also include a brief video clip of the dog's problem behavior (do not put the dog in harm's way to get this footage, but if you film the fake dog test, for example, please include it)

Format: The preferred video resolution size is: 640 x 480. If video camera allows a resolution to be specified, select a resolution **NO LESS THAN 640 x 480 and LESS THAN 720p**. Videos must be formatted as .AVI, .MPEG4, .MOV, .MPEGPS or .WMV. The video quality must be suitable for raters to clearly see and hear the video.

Don't be a giant! Video resolution of 720p, (1280×720) or 1080i, (1,920×1,080), "High Definition" or "Wide Screen" is NOT preferred due to the large file size.

How to Submit:

After you pass your written exam, you can submit your video in one of the following ways.

- Mail DVDs or CD-ROMs to Ahimsa Dog Training, CBATI Application, 902 NW 49th Street, Seattle, WA 98107
- Submit online via Dropbox, YouSentIt, zipdrive, etc. to info@functionalrewards.com.

Video Tips:

- Check your battery and memory card before the session.
- Verify that you are actually recording.
- Watch for wind noise during the client questions
- Do not include more video than is stated in the requirements
- The dog may be afraid of the camera, so be prepared to do BAT with the camera as the trigger.
- View: Film so that the dog's body language is clearly seen and the decoy is in the frame. If you are using a tripod, please it just behind the decoy so that the decoy is on camera, then zoom in on the student dog.
- It helps to write the session number on a piece of paper or your phone and then film that for a few seconds at the beginning of the session, so you can find the session again later.
- Practice: Practice recording videos in the same location with neutral dogs and a helper to get proper positioning and lighting



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Client Waiver

Your client and all human decoys or decoy dog handlers must complete a copy of this form. Keep it in your records.

Trainer / behaviorist name (hereafter referred to as “the Trainer”)

The participant understands that attendance at a dog training session with the Trainer may pose some risk to themselves, members of their family, their guests, and their dog(s) and expressly assume the risk of any damage or injury (to themselves, their dog(s), and/or any minors attending a dog training session with them) incurred as a result of dog training sessions. If participant will be bringing children to the session, they will be responsible for their care and appropriate supervision.

To minimize all risks, the registrant agrees to disclose to the Trainer any danger or sensitivities their dog(s) may present. The registrant will immediately inform the Trainer of any situations that may provoke aggression in their dog(s) and be responsible for avoiding those situations.

In consideration of their participation in a dog training session or sessions conducted by the Trainer, the registrant, on behalf of themselves and any minors attending the dog training session(s) with them, waive, release, and agree to hold harmless the Trainer, Grisha Stewart, Ahimsa Dog Training, LLC, and any and all of its employees, volunteers, agents, insurers, and successors from any and all causes of actions, claims, demands, losses, injuries, and damages of any kind which may be sustained by them or their dog(s) in connection with the dog training session. Registrant is responsible for damages caused by their dog(s) and/or family members.

I give my permission to Grisha Stewart and the Trainer to use any and all footage from these training sessions of my dog and me for use in seminar advertisements, research, DVDs, seminars, or other purposes, to be included at the sole discretion of those parties.

Printed Name: _____

Signature: _____

Date: _____



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Client Interview

Please film the client answering the following questions. Give your client a copy of this document in advance so that he or she can think about the answers before you film.

1. To what triggers and in what kinds of situations does your dog overreact?
2. Please describe your dog's reactions in detail.
3. What have you done so far to change your dog's behavior?
4. What would you like your dog to do in the situations described in #1?

