Items **bolded** below are requirements that must be demonstrated to the Evaluator. Non-bolded items are training steps that may be introduced in class and are helpful for achieving the requirements. All behaviors must have been taught or re-taught to the dog (preferably using a new cue), using only positive reward-based methods.

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|  | Handler understands how to choose appropriate tricks for the dog, always keeping the physical and mental well being of the dog a top priority |
|  | Handler demonstrates an understanding of the safety precautions needed for some tricks |
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|  | **Dog demonstrates a new behavior chain that includes 4 or more individual behaviors using physical or verbal cues (the chain must include at least 3 new behaviors learned for this badge** |
|  | **Handler and dog perform a “Star Skit” with complementary costumes, music and/or props in front of an audience of at least 3 people** |