

Fairfax Pets on Wheels FELINE
Behavior Assessment
Part 2: to be completed by Evaluator

Pet Name:	Evaluator:
Breed:	Evaluation Date:
Owner Name:	Evaluation Location:

I. EQUIPMENT CHECK & APPEARANCE	Rating A = Acceptable U = Unacceptable	EVALUATOR COMMENTS
a. Cat is wearing equipment permitted for visiting by FPOW Acceptable: Collar/harness and leash are on FPOW approved list Unacceptable: Collar/harness and leash are not on FPOW approved list		
b. Cat is clean, well groomed / Nails are Clipped Acceptable: Clean, well groomed, including nails Unacceptable: Dirty, matted coat, unpleasant odor and/or open sores/skin lesions, stitches and other conditions that make it unpleasant for residents to touch the animal		

II. SKILLS EXERCISE *Please rate this section at the end of the behavior evaluation	Rating A = Acceptable U = Unacceptable	EVALUATOR COMMENTS
a. Evaluator approaches cat and calmly pets it multiple times throughout the evaluation: Acceptable: Calm, sniffing, hackles normal, licks hand, enjoys petting, indifferent, submissive, aloof, rolling on back, purrs, head rubbing/butting, paw kneading Unacceptable: Any signs of aggression, e.g. growling, hissing, spitting, paw swatting, biting, raises hackles, panics or attempts to flee, struggles to get away;		

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II. SKILLS EXERCISE - (CONTINUED)	Rating A = Acceptable U = Unacceptable	EVALUATOR COMMENTS
<p>b. Touch Sensitivity - Evaluator makes contact with cat and touches sensitive areas, e.g.: light pinch on ears, holds a paw, gentle tail tug, or other sensitive areas, light tugging on collar/harness, clumsy petting & body hugging. Acceptable: Cat reacts ticklish, moves away, pulls paw away, but is forgiving; doesn't show any reaction, is curious and checks what Evaluator is doing Unacceptable: Any signs of aggression, e.g. growling, hissing, spitting, paw swatting, biting, raises hackles, panics or attempts to flee, struggles to get away;</p>		
<p>c. Reaction to Equipment - Evaluator and helper stage two visiting situations with wheelchair and walker. 1. Handler and Cat approach person in wheelchair and walker 2. Person in wheelchair and walker approach Handler and Cat Acceptable: Remains calm when approaching appliances and trusting of handler, remains calm when appliances approach and trusting of handler, a little cautious at first, but settles, indifferent, signs of minimal stress (considers fleeing but is calmed by handler) Unacceptable: Any sign of aggressive behavior, persistent fear and/or flee response, excessive pulling away from object</p>		
<p>d. Good Manners - Owner demonstrates their visiting technique with cat. Acceptable: Cat responsive to owner, walks on leash -OR- is content to be carried -OR- content to ride in basket, indifferent, displays curiosity, sits on handler's lap -OR- willing to sit on evaluator's lap, relaxed, content; plays with toy, purrs, paw kneading, head rubbing/butting Unacceptable: Cat is hard to control; cat overly difficult to handle e.g. handler unable to control cat walking between two locations in room, cat constantly jumps down, wriggles out of handlers arms multiple times;</p>		

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<p>e. Reaction to Neutral Dog: Helper takes "neutral dog" and proceeds to move close enough to cat handler that the cat sees "neutral dog". After visual contact, both parties move on. Acceptable: Cat may try to meet "neutral dog", but handler must keep good control, cat expresses dislike of "neutral dog" but remains under handler control, no reaction, tries to hide without fleeing; Unacceptable: Cat being evaluated flees causing handler to lose control, displays aggressive reaction (to handler, evaluator, or directly toward "neutral dog"); spitting, paw swatting</p>		
<p>f. Evaluator makes loud noise like tossing clipboard or pebble can on floor Acceptable: Cowers, startles, tries to hide, does nothing, remains in control of the handler; Unacceptable: Cat panics or tries to flee, unable to calm down after noise event;</p>		

III. Evaluator's Opinion NOTE: An Unacceptable rating in any section other than Section I (Equipment and Appearance) results in a Not Recommended rating	Rating A = Acceptable U = Unacceptable	EVALUATOR COMMENTS
<p>After reading the handler's completed questionnaire and observing the handler/cat team's action and reactions during the practical evaluation, this team is: <input type="checkbox"/> Recommended for an on-site pilot tour <input type="checkbox"/> Not Presently Recommended, but recommended for re-testing at a later date - REQUIRES EVALUATOR COMMENTS <input type="checkbox"/> Not Recommended - REQUIRES EVALUATOR COMMENTS</p>		

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General Comments

Recommendations & Training

Evaluator's Name:

Evaluator's Signature

Date:

Evaluator has reviewed the test and this form with me:

Volunteer's Name:

Volunteer's Signature:

Date:

Nursing Home to begin visiting: