



PRURITUS SCORING IN CATS - HOW ITCHY IS YOUR CAT?

This type of scoring system has recently been designed to help owner's measure the severity of itching in their cats. Remember that itching can include scratching, biting, chewing, nibbling, rubbing and/or sudden running away. Please chart the changes in the level of itchiness that you observe over the course of your cat's treatment. Read all the descriptions below **starting from the bottom**. Then mark the point at which you think your cat's level of itchiness lies on the vertical scale for each point in time.

Healthy Cats: licking up to 1 hour/day & scratches up to 1 minute/day

Extremely severe itching/almost continuous
Itching does not stop whatever is happening even in the consulting room (needs to be physically restrained from itching)

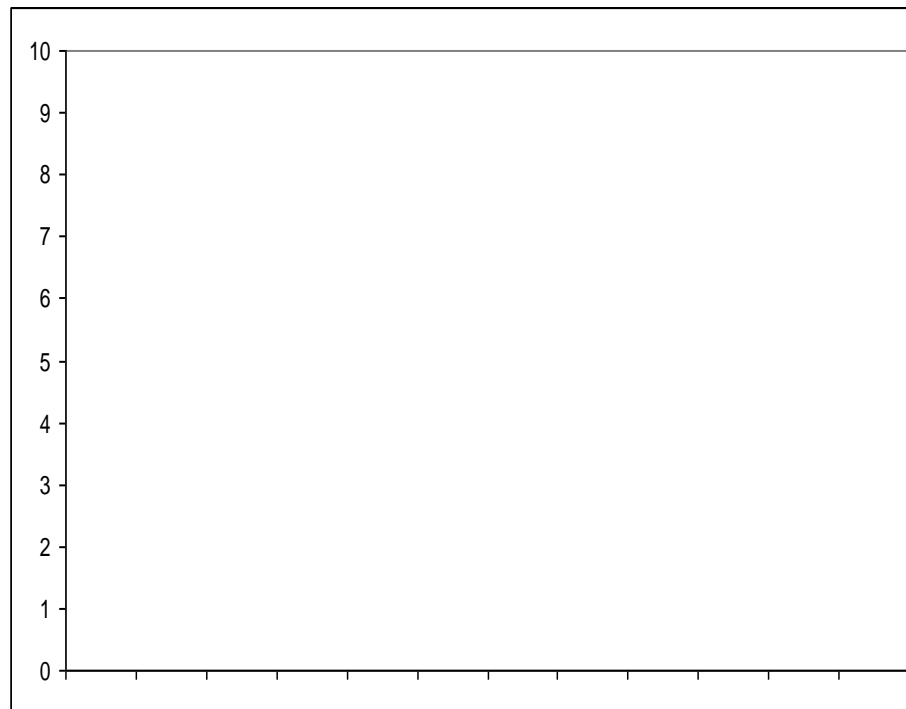
Severe itching/prolonged episodes
Itching may occur at night (if observed), but also when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted

Moderate itching/regular episodes
Itching may occur at night (if observed), but not when eating, playing, exercise or being distracted

Mild Itching/a bit more frequent
Would not itch when sleeping, eating, laying, exercising or being distracted

Very mild/only occasional episodes
The cat is slightly more itchy than it was before the skin problem started

Normal Cat
I do not think itching is a problem



My Cat:

Overgrooms/scratches even during visit &/or hides constantly. Licking/scratching invariably results in hair loss/skin lesions

Wakes up &/or stops eating/playing to lick/scratch &/or hides very often, licking/scratching induces hair loss /skin lesions frequently

Often hides & wakes up sometimes to groom/scratch, but never stops eating /playing to do so. Licking/scratching often results in hair loss/skin lesions

Never grooms/scratching whilst eating, sleeping, or playing. Licking/scratching seldom results in hair loss /skin lesions. Occasionally hides.

Grooms more than before but licking/scratching never results in hair loss nor skin lesions

Is normal - licks up to 1hour/day & scratches up to 1minute/day