

FELINE AGGRESSION BEHAVIOR CONSULTATION QUESTIONNAIRE



Briefly, describe your cat's primary behavior problem you are seeking help for?

- Have you owned a cat before? Yes/No
 Have you owned this breed of cat before? Yes/No
 Have you owned other pets previously? Yes/No

A Your pet's early history

1. Age obtained: _____ From where did you obtain this pet? _____
Breeder's Name or Shelter: (if applicable): _____
2. Describe previous home / homes (if known): _____
3. For what reason did you obtain this cat? (check all that you feel are appropriate)
companion ; companion for cat ; rodent control ; breeding/show ; other
4. Please describe: Behavior of parents or littermates (if known): _____

5. Briefly describe your cat's personality (check all that apply) friendly ; bold ;
active ; playful ; aloof ; independent ; fearful ; other If other describe:
6. Declawed? Front declawed only ; All four declaw

The Home Environment

List each family member living in the home:
(Include yourself, children and/ or frequent visitors)

Name	Occupation	Family relationship	Sex	Age	Describe how they get along with dog	Check box if they will be present for the consult
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List all other pets in the home:

Name	Breed	Sex	Neutered/spayed?	Age	Describe how they get along with dog	Check box if they will be present for the consult
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B Early history

- Please give details of the cat's early life, if known, including litter size, age of weaning, age when obtained, whether raised outside or indoors, if orphan or stray, whether hand-reared, etc. _____

- How much interaction did the kitten have with people in the first year of its life? _____

- What method of litter training was used? _____
How did you react to any mistakes during litter training? _____

- Did your kitten attend kitten 'parties'? If so, please give details _____

C Diet and feeding

- What types of food (and brands) do you give your cat? _____

- How much does he/she eat a day? _____
- When and where is the cat fed? _____
Who feeds the cat? _____
- Is his/her appetite Good or Poor? Does your cat eat quickly or slowly?
- What are his/her favorite foods? _____
- How much water does your cat drink each day (in pints or liters)? _____
- How much milk does your cat drink each day (in pints or liters)? _____
- Do you add supplements or tidbits to the diet? Yes No
If yes, what and why? _____

D Daily activities

Sleeping, waking and resting

- Where does your cat sleep at night? _____
- Where does your cat sleep during the day? _____
- Is your cat very active at night? _____
- When does he/she get up in the morning? _____
- Does your cat tend to seek out high places to rest? Yes No
- Where can the cat normally be found during the day? _____

Toileting

- Do you provide a litter box? Yes No
If yes, how many are there? _____
- Where is/are it/they located? _____
- Does the cat use the litter box on a regular basis? Yes No
- How often is the litter box cleared of waste material (scooped out)? _____
- Does your cat ever eliminate outside of the litter box inside the house?

Yes No

If yes, please complete the portion for elimination problems below.

Going outside

1. Does your cat have access to a garden or yard? Yes No
2. Is access controlled or free through a cat door? _____
3. How often do you see other cats in your garden? Daily
 several times a week Once a week rarely
4. How much time is spent outdoors by your cat each day?
In summer _____ In winter _____

Roaming

1. What area is available to the cat to roam? _____
2. How far does it roam on average? Stays in the garden
 May go to next door or two
3. Does your cat stay away from home for several days at a time? Yes No

Territory

1. Does the cat defend territory against other cats? Yes No
If yes, describe its reaction _____

Hunting

1. Does your cat catch prey and bring it into the house?
 Occasionally Regularly
2. What type of prey does it catch? _____

Home alone

1. How long is your cat alone without people on any given day? _____
2. What arrangements are made for the cat if you are away from home for a while, e.g. on vacation? _____

Play

1. Is your cat playful? Yes No
2. Is there any specific time devoted to play on a daily basis?
Yes No How much? _____
3. Who initiates play, humans or the pet? _____
4. What types of toys does your pet play with? _____
5. Does your cat come when called or do any tricks? _____

Scratching

1. Do you have a scratching post? Yes No If yes, please describe it

Does your cat use the scratching post? Yes Sometimes Never

Family routine

1. Has there been a change in your household routine (e.g. new work hours, new baby, moving, new roommate or visitors, boarding, diet change)?
Yes No
Details _____

E The home environment

1. What type of home do you have (e.g. flat/apartment, house) ? _____
2. How would you describe your home? Quiet lively chaotic
3. What areas of the house does your cat have access to? _____
4. Please draw on a separate sheet of paper a map of the layout of your home with the cat's key areas (e.g. feeding, litter, favourite rest areas) indicated. Please indicate any windows through which the cat can see the outside.
5. Is your cat keen to explore?

F Interactions with others

1. How does your pet behave when visitors come to the house? (e.g. hides, acts interested, interacts with them) ? _____
2. Is the behaviour different towards familiar and unfamiliar people? If yes, describe. _____
3. Is your cat quick to approach new people? Yes No
4. Has your cat ever bitten anyone? Yes No
If yes and this is not the primary complaint please give brief details of circumstances _____

5. Please fill in details of any regular visitors to the home.

Name (if known)	Purpose	Time & Days	Cat's reaction

6. What is the cat's response to other visitors?

Frequent visitors	Occasional visitors	Rare visitors

7. Please describe your cat's reaction to each of the following:

	In the home	Out of the home
Familiar men		
Familiar women		
Familiar children		
Unknown men		
Unknown women		

Unknown children		
Familiar dogs		
Unknown dogs		
Familiar cats		
Unknown cats		

G Other behaviors

1. When does your cat meow? _____
2. When does it growl? _____
3. When does it purr? _____
4. Is your cat aggressive when denied something that it wants? Yes No
5. Does your pet ever show inappropriate mounting or other sexual activity? Yes No
If so, to whom or what _____
6. Does your cat tolerate (T) enjoy (E) or Resist (R):
Handling T E R Grooming T E R
7. Does your pet lick or chew on themselves more than you would expect?
Yes No If yes, where?

8. How do you correct your cat when he/she misbehaves?

H Please answer the questions below if the problem is Aggression:

1. Describe the most recent incident and the setting it occurred in (try to be very precise, as if you were drawing a picture):

- a) Where was the pet? _____
- b) Where was everyone in relation to the pet?

- c) What was everyone doing before the incident?

- d) What did the pet do?

- e) What was the pet's body posture? Describe the position of ears, tail, face, and hair on back, or draw a picture if necessary.

2. What was your reaction to the behaviour?

3. How did the pet react to your reaction? _____

4. Was there any punishment? _____

5. If there was a bite wound was it a puncture wound or a tear? _____

6. How frequently does the problem occur? __times per day, __times per week, __times per month, __times per year

7. When does the problem occur?

When left alone? __always __usually __rarely __never

When family members are present? __always __usually __rarely__never

I Other problems

Any other behavioural problems (eg. scratching, excessive meowing, plant eating,)

J You and your pet

1. How would you describe your relationship with this pet?

Adult owners (female)

Adult owners (male)

Children _____

2. What are your feelings about the pet's present behavior?

Adult owners (female)

Adult owners (male)

Children _____

3. What is your expectation for change?

4. Is there anything else you would like to add about your pet and its behavior?

Please give any information you think is relevant to the case
