

Acute Pain Scoring Chart for Cats

Cat's name:	Clinic/owner details:
Cat's details:	
Date:	
Time:	

Pain score	Observation	Response to gentle stroking	Response to wound palpation	Body tension
Absent	<input type="checkbox"/> Comfortable <input type="checkbox"/> Content/relaxed <input type="checkbox"/> Interested in surroundings	<input type="checkbox"/> Responds <input type="checkbox"/> May purr or meow	<input type="checkbox"/> Not bothered	<input type="checkbox"/> Relaxed
Mild	<input type="checkbox"/> Quiet or disinterested <input type="checkbox"/> May lick lips <input type="checkbox"/> May purr spontaneously	<input type="checkbox"/> Quieter than normal <input type="checkbox"/> Less responsive	<input type="checkbox"/> Mild reaction <input type="checkbox"/> May swish tail <input type="checkbox"/> May flatten ears	<input type="checkbox"/> Often normal posture but tense <input type="checkbox"/> May be reluctant to move
Moderate	<input type="checkbox"/> Anxious or fearful <input type="checkbox"/> May be restless <input type="checkbox"/> May be cowering	<input type="checkbox"/> Little or no response	<input type="checkbox"/> Obvious reaction <input type="checkbox"/> May cry or hiss <input type="checkbox"/> May try to move away	<input type="checkbox"/> Tense <input type="checkbox"/> May hold head down
Marked	<input type="checkbox"/> Dull or withdrawn <input type="checkbox"/> Tense or crouched <input type="checkbox"/> May growl or hiss when approached	<input type="checkbox"/> Reluctant to move <input type="checkbox"/> Reluctant to interact	<input type="checkbox"/> More marked reaction <input type="checkbox"/> May growl <input type="checkbox"/> May react to touching away from wound	<input type="checkbox"/> Very tense <input type="checkbox"/> May have arched <input type="checkbox"/> May lay on side but still tense
Severe	<input type="checkbox"/> Depressed or grumpy <input type="checkbox"/> Rigid or hunched <input type="checkbox"/> May growl or hiss spontaneously	<input type="checkbox"/> Responds aggressively	<input type="checkbox"/> May bite or lash out <input type="checkbox"/> May become rigid <input type="checkbox"/> May avoid or prevent all contact with wound	<input type="checkbox"/> Tense and rigid <input type="checkbox"/> May shift position to try to find greater comfort