

Understanding Your Pet's Movement

Introduction

Many pets experience discomfort differently at home than they do in unfamiliar environments. It's common for animals to appear comfortable during veterinary visits while showing more subtle signs of discomfort in their everyday routines. Because these changes can be easy to overlook, observing your pet in their normal environment provides valuable information and helps us build a more complete understanding of how they're feeling day to day.

Purpose

The goal of this screening is to gather photos and videos of your pet in their everyday environment, where they are most comfortable and able to move naturally. These observations help us better understand how your pet is feeling, identify patterns that may suggest discomfort or mobility concerns, determine whether additional diagnostics may be helpful, and establish a baseline to compare progress over time.

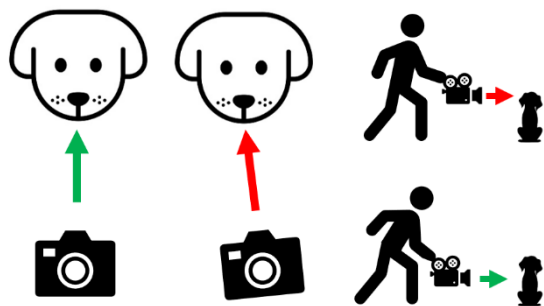
Tips for Collecting Helpful Media

- Capture your pet naturally—avoid cueing or repositioning
- Record in good lighting
- Include full-body views when possible
- Film normal daily activities
- Avoid coaching movement unless instructed
- Multiple short clips are better than one long video

What We'd Like to Observe

To help us better understand your pet's comfort and mobility, please include the following positions and movement transitions when possible.

- Standing naturally (front view)
- Standing naturally (side view)
- Standing naturally (rear view)
- Sit → stand transition
- Down → stand transition
- Walking at a normal pace
- Turning in both directions
- Navigating stairs (if applicable)



Capturing clear angles is an important part of helping us accurately interpret your pet's movement and posture. In most cases, a full-body silhouette is more helpful than close-up details.

When recording, position the camera approximately at elbow height and keep it as level and parallel to your pet as possible.

