

Supplementary dataScoring the cat using the CSS rubric and scoring sheet. Modified from¹⁸**Cat-Stress Score—Scoring Sheet****Date of Assessment:****Site:****Cat Name/ID #:****Intake Date:****Cage Location:****Initial Approach Test (cage closed, 60 sec):** approach (note time: _____) neutral withdrawal**2nd Approach Test (cage open, head pat):** approach neutral withdrawal**Cat Stress Assessment**

Body	on back horizontal back	on side lowered hind end	½ side	ventral crouched (all fours)	sitting	standing shaking	moving
Belly	exposed	not exposed	slow vent.	normal vent.	fast vent.		
Legs	fully extended bent	front legs laid out bent near to surface	bent	hind legs laid out	standing, legs extended	standing, legs	
Tail	extended twitching	loosely wrapped tense downward	up	loosely downward curled forward	on the body close to body	curved backward	
Head	laid down no movement	chin upward on plane of body	on surface lower than body	near surface	over body	moving	little movement
Eyes	pressed together open	closed	½ open	slow blink	normal open	wide open	fully
Pupils	normal	partially dilated	dilated	fully dilated			
Ears	½ back fully flattened	erect to front fully flattened & back on head	erect to back	back & forward on head		partially flattened	
Whiskers	lateral	forward	back				
Vocalization	none/quiet	meow	plaintive meow	yowling	growling		
Activity	sleeping/resting cramped sleeping	awake trying to escape	alert	active actively prowling	playing	exploring motionless alert	

Assigned Score: