

<b>Physical care scale - Haircoat and Nails</b>	
<i>After Dr. G. Patronek, Tufts Care and Condition Scoring Scales, American Humane Association, 1998.</i>	
 <input type="checkbox"/> <b>5 Terrible</b> Haircoat a single mat that prevents normal movement and interferes with vision. Soiling of hind end and legs with trapped urine and feces. A complete clipdown required. Nails extremely overgrown into circles and may be penetrating pads causing pain and infection. Nails interfering with normal gait.  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>4 Poor</b> Substantial matting of haircoat. Large sections of hair matted together. Occasional foreign material embedded in mats. Much of the hair will need to be clipped. Fecal and urine soiling of hind end and legs. Long nails that interfere with normal gait.  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>3 Borderline</b> Numerous mats, but animal can still be groomed without a total clip down. No significant fecal or urine soiling. Nails are overgrown which may alter gait.  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>2 Lapsed</b> Haircoat may be somewhat dirty or have a few mats present that are easily removed. Remainder of coat can be easily brushed or combed. Nails need a trim.  <input type="checkbox"/> <b>1 Adequate</b> Dog clean. Hair can be easily brushed or combed. Nails okay.	