



Canine Mobility Nurse Clinic—Consultation Questionnaire

We care about your dogs' wellbeing and know that as they enter their 'senior' years they can start developing mobility issues. To help you and your dog manage this we are now offering a Canine Mobility Clinic as a FREE service run by our qualified veterinary nurses.

When is a dog considered a senior?

Any dog who is over the age of 7, we consider to be in their senior life stage.

Why does my dog need a Mobility Clinic assessment?

As our dogs' get older, their bodies start to slow down and subtle changes can occur. Whilst our dogs age faster than us, they do experience many similar body changes. This clinic is designed to help you identify and understand age related changes early. We can also offer advice on diet, supplements, prescription medicine, alternative therapies as well as ongoing support and treatment where necessary.

Who will assess my dog?

The initial consult will be with one of our veterinary nurses who has a special interest in Canine Mobility. The consult will cover a range of topics and will include further recommendations regarding treatment options. One of our veterinarians may also take part in the consult and offer further guidance once the vet nurse has made their initial assessment. This free consult will take about 30mins. A follow up consult with our vet nurse in 6 weeks is recommended.

What if my dog needs to be referred to a veterinarian?

Once your dog has been assessed by our veterinary nurse they may come to the conclusion that your dog would benefit from further investigation from one of our veterinarians. This may include further diagnostic and/or prescription medicines and another appointment will be scheduled. Normal charges for a consult with one of our veterinarians will apply.

Please complete this form and bring it to your consultation. Feel free to contact our team via email npvetmobilityclinic@gmail.com if you have any further questions. Client Name:___

Dog Name:_____

Age:___

Have you noticed any of the following—please tick which apply to your dog:

- Decreased activity or reluctance to walk, run, climb stairs, jump or play
- Lagging behind on walks
- Stiffness or limping
- Seems stiff especially after lying down
- Yelping or whimpering in pain or soreness when touched
- Tires easily/short of breath
- Excessive licking

Is your dog currently on any prescription medication?

Have they stopped doing any activities that they used to enjoy?

Has there been any changes in the way they sit, stand or move?

Have you seen a vet about their mobility issues before?

Are you giving any natural therapies or supplements for mobility/arthritis?

What do you currently feed your dog?

Other comments:

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