

# CANINE DEMENTIA SCALE ("CADES")

The CADES is a clinically-validated questionnaire that measures four behavioral categories reflective of Canine Cognitive Dysfunction Syndrome (CCDS); being spatial orientation, social interactions, sleep-wake cycles, and house soiling.

Behaviour of dog	Never (0)	Once in the past 6 months (+2)	At least once per month (+3)	2-4 times per month (+4)	Several times per week (+5)	Score
<b>Spatial Orientation</b>	Appears lost or confused in a familiar environment (inside/outside)					=
	Difficulty recognizing familiar people and/or animals inside or outside home					=
	Abnormally responds (increased or decreased) to familiar objects					=
	Wanders around without purpose or direction					=
	Has difficulty performing previously learned tasks					=
<b>Social Interaction</b>	Changed interactions with people or other animals (welcoming, petting, playing)					=
	Changes in individual behavior (exploration behavior, playfulness)					=
	Decreased response to commands					=
	Irritable					=
	Expressions of aggression					=
<b>Sleep-Wake Cycles</b>	Has abnormal night-time behaviors (wandering, vocalization, restlessness)					=
	Unable to sleep at night and/or sleeps most of the day					=
<b>House Soiling</b>	Eliminates (urinates/defecates) at home at random locations					=
	Eliminates in his/her kennel or sleeping area					=
	Decreased signaling to go outside to eliminate					=
	Eliminates indoors after a recent walk outside					=
	Eliminates at uncommon outdoor locations (concrete)					=

0-7 = Normal Aging	8-23 = Mild cognitive impairment	24-44 = Moderate cognitive impairment	45+ = Cognitive dysfunction	Total (add up all answers)	=
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Dog Name:	Age:	Sex:	Breed:	Date:
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