



How itchy is your dog?

This scale is designed to measure the severity of itching in dogs. Itching can include scratching, biting, licking, chewing, nibbling and/or rubbing. Read all the descriptions below **starting at the bottom**. Then use a pen to place a mark (**small straight horizontal line**) anywhere on the vertical line that runs down the left-hand side to indicate the point at which you think your dog's level of itchiness lies.

Extremely severe itching / almost continuous

Itching doesn't stop whatever is happening, even in the consulting room (needs to be physically restrained from itching)

Severe itching / prolonged episodes

Itching might occur at night (if observed) and also when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted

Moderate itching / regular episodes

Itching might occur at night (if observed), but not when eating, playing, exercising or being distracted

Mild itching / a bit more frequent

Doesn't itch while sleeping, eating, playing, exercising or being distracted

Very mild itching / only occasional episodes

The dog is slightly itchier than it was before the skin problem started

Normal dog - I don't think itching is a problem