



FECAL SCORING SYSTEM FOR PUPPIES

Eight weeks of age and older



DIRECTIONS FOR USE

Score stools individually **from 1 (formed and dry) to 5 (liquid)**.
When consistency of the stools is not homogenous, record the higher score.

 **TOO HARD /
TOO SOFT**

 **NORMAL**

1



FORMED, DRY AND HARD STOOL

Difficult for puppies to pass.

2



FORMED, DRY BUT NOT HARD STOOL

Cylindrical shape, dry appearance,
separated in pellets.

2.5



SOFT FORMED STOOL

Formed but soft. Cylindrical shape may be separated in
pellets or whole, with or without visible cracks.

3



SOFT UNFORMED STOOL

Mainly unformed with a small formed part or pasty unformed.
In some cases a cylindrical shape is visible, but is not
maintained due to the high humidity.

 **SMALL AND
MEDIUM BREEDS**

 **LARGE AND
GIANT BREEDS**

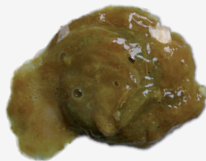
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MOIST STOOL

Little consistency and no real shape. No visible liquid.

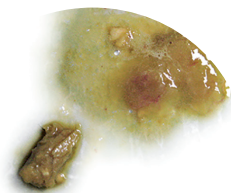
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LIQUID FECES ASSOCIATED WITH SOFT STOOL

The main part of the stool is soft or liquid.

5



LIQUID STOOL

No texture.




FECAL SCORING SYSTEM FOR DOGS



DIRECTIONS FOR USE

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 **TOO HARD /
TOO SOFT**

 **ACCEPTABLE**

 **OPTIMAL**

1



HARD, DRY CRUMBLY STOOL

It tends to split apart rather than being crushed.
Difficult for dogs to pass.

2



DRY, VERY CLEARLY DEFINED CRACKS

The outside is very dry and the inside is almost dry.
Leaves no residue on the ground when picked up.

2.5



CLEARLY DEFINED SHAPE WITH VISIBLE CRACKS

It leaves very little residue on the ground when picked up.

3



MOIST STOOL STARTING TO LOSE SHAPE AND CRACKS

This stool's "components" are less separate
and the cracks are still visible.

3.5



MOIST STOOL WITH NO CRACKS

The stool has a distinct shape.
This stool's different "components" stick to one another.

4



MOIST STOOL WITH LITTLE CONSISTENCY AND NO REAL SHAPE

It holds water with no visible liquid.

4.5



LIQUID STOOL WITH MINIMAL CONSISTENCY

5



ENTIRELY LIQUID STOOL (No texture)