

Suspicious of flea allergy? Conduct a flea control trial (up to 3 months)



Suspicious of food allergy? Conduct an 8-week food trial¹



How to rate your dog's itch

Extremely severe itching Dog is scratching, chewing, licking almost continuously. Itching practically never stops, regardless of what else is happening around the dog.

Severe itching

80

Prolonged episodes of itching when the dog is awake. Itching occurs at night and also when eating, playing, or exercising, or when otherwise distracted.

Moderate itching



40 Moderately frequent episodes of itching. There may be occasional episodes of itching at night. No itching when sleeping, eating, playing, exercising, or being distracted.

Very mild itching



Occasional episodes of itching. The dog is slightly more itchy than before the problem began.

Normal dog



Itching is not a problem.

60 Regular episodes of itching when the dog is awake. Itching may occur at night and wake the dog. No itching when eating, playing, exercising, or being distracted.

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