

How do I know when it's time?

Quality of Life assessment

When evaluating quality of life, both individual pet and family information is important. This can help us and you reach a decision that not only puts your pet and their medical condition first, but also your wishes and expectations.

Comfort

Does your pet seem to be or are they experiencing pain? Are they sleeping more? Do they seem dull or depressed? Are they panting at rest? Do they tremble or shake?

Nutrition

Is my pet eating well? Are they vomiting or do they seem nauseous? Are they drinking well? Have they lost weight?

Mobility

Is my pet moving normally? Are they as active as normal? Do they move around as needed to get food, water and/or go to the bathroom?

Happiness

Does my pet seem to enjoy life? Do they want to play? Does my pet respond to my presence the way they did before? Do they enjoy the same activities they used to? Are they hiding?

Hygiene

Is my pet urinating well? Are they having diarrhea often? Are they able to keep themselves clean after soiling? Is their coat matted, rough, greasy or sparse?



Score each category from 0-10, 10 being ideal. A score over 25 is acceptable life quality to continue dog hospice. A total of 50 is a perfect score.

Total