

Lincoln Sound Sensitivity Scale

**Animal ID**

**Date**

**Evaluator**

**Please describe your dog's normal response to the problem noise in terms of the frequency (how often it occurs relative to the number of times your dog is scared) and intensity of each of the following behaviours by circling the most appropriate number in each case.**

**1. RUNNING AROUND**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount – occasional burst of activity

Extensive amount – continuously running around

**2. DROOLING SALIVA**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount –damp around mouth

Extensive amount –pools of saliva

**3. HIDING (e.g. under furniture, behind owner, etc.) – PLEASE INDICATE WHERE**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount - retreats

Extensive amount – will not be removed from hiding area

**4. DESTRUCTIVENESS (e.g. furniture, doors, carpets, etc.) - PLEASE INDICATE WHICH ITEMS TEND TO BE DAMAGED**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount – small items e.g. pens

Extensive amount e.g. holes in the wall

**5. COWERING (e.g. tucks tail flattens ears, etc.)**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount - uneasy

Extensive amount - petrified

**6. RESTLESSNESS / PACING**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount

Extensive amount – fixed route continuously traced



**13. VIGILANCE / SCANNING OF THE ENVIRONMENT**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Occurs sporadically within an event

Most of the time

**14. BOLTS**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Occurs occasionally in response to certain noises

Occurs always in response to a wide range of sounds

**15. EXAGGERATED RESPONSE WHEN STARTLED**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Occurs occasionally in response to certain noises

Occurs always in response to a wide range of sounds

**16. SHAKING OR TREMBLING**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Occurs occasionally in response to certain noises

Occurs always in response to a wide range of sounds

**17. SELF HARM**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount e.g. licking feet

Extensive amount e.g. broken teeth or nails

**18. OTHERS:**

**Please detail**

Frequency:

0	1	2	3
Never	Rarely	Frequently	Every time

Intensity:

1	2	3	4	5
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Small amount

Extensive amount

**19. Considering both the frequency of signs, their intensity and duration, how would you rate your dog's fear of fireworks on a scale of 0-10, where 0 = quite mild and 10 = could not be worse? \_\_\_\_\_**