

## At-Risk Pet Release Form



Due to the following reasons, your pet has been determined as being at a higher risk of injury or health problem than the average pet:  Matting/pelting  Old age  Health Conditions :

Please list any health conditions:

Even the gentlest of grooming can cause stress to an animal at a minimum because the animal has travelled outside of its home or had a change to its daily routine.

Because of the reasons listed above, I hereby agree to the following as owner of the pet:

1. Any grooming that takes place on an elderly cat or cat with or without health problems will be at the owner's risk.
2. Grooming may expose pre-existing health and/or skin problems for which Purely Cat Grooming cannot be held liable.
3. Elderly cats are at a higher risk of nicks and cuts from shaving due to skin being thinner, drier and less elastic. Lack of muscle tissue for cushioning can also make shaving more difficult.
4. Dematting/detangling of matted hair may cause patchiness and hair loss. Consent to remove the matted hair is on this understanding that, this shaving will drastically change the appearance of your cat.
5. The hair will be very close to the skin. This may expose pre-existing skin conditions for which Purely Cat Grooming is not responsible.
6. Mats develop over time and it will be unknown the condition of the skin beneath those mats. Removal of mats whether by shaving or dematting procedure can be stressful to your pet and may exacerbate stress-sensitive health problems.
7. Severe matting and/or pelting will result in an additional fee, based upon the severity of the problem and the time required to correct it.
8. A biter fee may also apply.

9. If at any time panting, anxiety or too much movement from your cat occur, the groom will be stopped immediately, even if that means the grooming is incomplete. This will include shaving work that is incomplete.

You the owner will be notified immediately and asked to collect your cat. There will be a minimum charge of £55 and is at the groomers' discretion, depending on how much of the groom is completed.

If the groom stops or cannot be groomed due to aggression or injury to the groomer, there will be no refund of the holding fee. Please see item 8 of our Terms and Conditions.

10. Certain illnesses and conditions including (but not limited to) diabetes, heart murmur, hypertrophic cardiomyopathy, hyperthyroidism, seizures, and being overweight result in a higher risk of incident during grooming. **These must be declared on consultation forms before hand and a veterinary clearance note that the cat is well enough to be groomed.**

11. Previously discussed grooming styles (i.e. authorised Lion Cut, Comb Cut, etc.) may not be completed due to my cat's health condition or stress levels. This decision is in the cat's best interest to prevent harm to them.

12. The client will be responsible for payment of any services that are completed in lieu of the previously discussed styles.

13. In the event of any injury or health concern, we are authorised by you to contact a vet and authorise any veterinary treatment for the cat as necessary. You are responsible for all veterinary charges that may incur as a result.

14. Purely Cat Grooming will make every effort to contact you in the event of an emergency via the contact number listed below whilst putting the cat's welfare first and foremost.

**I hereby agree to the above mentioned as owner of the pet.**

**Cats Name:**

**Owners/person with responsibility, Full Name:**

**Emergency contact number:**

**Signature of Owner/Person with responsibility for the cat:**