Appendix: Pruritus score

Name of Owner: ________________________ Name of dog: ________________________

Number: ________________________ Date: ________________________

Please mark the average itch of your dog on the scale from 0 to 10. Itch can express itself as scratching, biting, chewing, licking, rubbing and nibbling.

**Extreme scratching / nearly uninterrupted**
Whatever happens the scratching will not be discontinued, also in the treatment room (the dog has to be prevented from scratching through a collar)

**Severe scratching / long lasting periods**
Scratching at night (if observed) and during eating, playing, going for a walk or distraction

**Moderate scratching / episodes**
Scratching at night (if observed) but not during eating, playing, going for a walk or other distraction

**Mild scratching / slightly increased**
No scratching during the night, eating, playing, going for a walk or when distracted

**Very mild scratching / only occasional episodes**
The dog’s itching is only slightly increased from what we think is normal

**Normal dog – I don’t think itching is a problem**