

## Elimination Problem Questionnaire

(Patient's Full Name) \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_

Please aid us in learning more about your kitty's elimination problem by answering the following questions (please note "LB" stands for litterbox):

What % of the time does s/he use LB for defecation? \_\_\_\_\_  
urination? \_\_\_\_\_

If not 100%, where is s/he defecating? \_\_\_\_\_  
urinating? \_\_\_\_\_

Is s/he:  Spraying (standing position w/ urine landing on vertical surfaces)

Squatting (sitting position w/ urine landing on horizontal surfaces)

Have other animals used these same spots for inappropriate eliminations in the past? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you seen straining or meowing during defecation? \_\_\_\_\_  
urination? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you seen blood in stool or urine (circle if applicable)? \_\_\_\_\_

When did you first notice a problem? \_\_\_\_\_

How often, or how many times total has it occurred so far? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you drawn any associations with particular situations at home and this problem? \_\_\_\_\_

If yes, please explain \_\_\_\_\_

Is the problem confined to specific surfaces (e.g. smooth & hard like tile, linoleum, porcelain; or soft & nubby like carpet, clothing, rugs or towels)? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you caught this kitty "in the act?" \_\_\_\_\_

Is s/he drinking more water than usual? \_\_\_\_\_

How many cats are in your household? \_\_\_\_\_

Do any of them go outside? \_\_\_\_\_

How many LB's do you have? \_\_\_\_\_

Has s/he had a negative experience (e.g. medicated, punished, or scared, etc.) near the LB?  
\_\_\_\_\_

Does s/he have easy access to LB at all times? \_\_\_\_\_

Is the LB in a noisy or busy location? \_\_\_\_\_

Does your cat feel safe in the LB? \_\_\_\_\_

Are any of LB's a type or shape other than standard rectangular? \_\_\_\_\_

What are the approx. dimensions of your LB's \_\_\_\_\_ "H x \_\_\_\_\_ "L x \_\_\_\_\_ "W

If other size LB's, please note here \_\_\_\_\_

Which kind of litter do you use (circle all that apply):  
fine-grain clumping      crystal  
coarse-grain clumping      nonclumping-clay      other \_\_\_\_\_

Is the litter scented? \_\_\_\_\_

How often do you scoop the LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

clean all the LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

What is the approx. depth of litter typically in LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

Have you noticed if your cat scratches in the litter:

	Before eliminating in LB	After eliminating in LB
More than a few seconds	_____	_____
Less than a few seconds	_____	_____
Not at all	_____	_____

Does s/he balance on the edge of the LB to eliminate? \_\_\_\_\_

Do you use other than soap and water to clean the LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you recently change litter brands? \_\_\_\_\_

Did you recently move, remove, or otherwise physically modify the LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

Do the LB's have (circle all that apply)?          hoods          automated mechanisms          liners

Any new changes or stresses from your cat's point of view, such as (circle all that apply):

new baby          baby just became "mobile"          pet added/ subtracted from home  
recent household move          new schedule          person added/ subtracted from home  
other \_\_\_\_\_

Have you tried Feliway for this problem? \_\_\_\_\_

Is your cat displaying other signs:          appetite loss          weight loss          vomiting          diarrhea  
listlessness          other \_\_\_\_\_

What do you feed your cat? \_\_\_\_\_

If medications are needed, do you have a preference (circle)?:          liquid          or          tablets

What are you using to clean the areas of inappropriate elimination? \_\_\_\_\_

Where are food and water bowls relative to LB's? \_\_\_\_\_

What have you done thus far to try to solve this problem? \_\_\_\_\_

Is there anything else you feel may be relevant to this problem? \_\_\_\_\_

We know this is a frustrating problem and we would like to try our best to help you solve it. Please take just a few more moments to draw a rough floorplan of your home below or on back of this page, esp. indicating the layout and location of litterboxes (LB), food (F) & water (WB) bowls, areas of inappropriate elimination (U for urine or S for feces), doors (D) – esp. exterior, windows (W), and any other information you feel may be relevant.