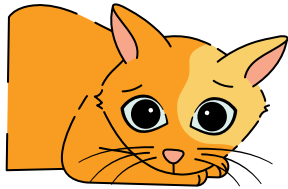


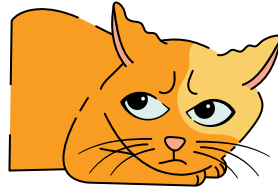
Body language of feline fear, stress and anxiety

Subtle signs of fear and anxiety

One or more signs may be observed



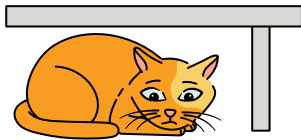
Dilated pupils



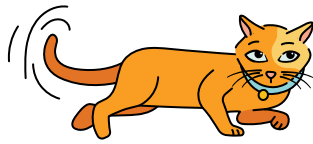
Ears turned back,
furrowed brows



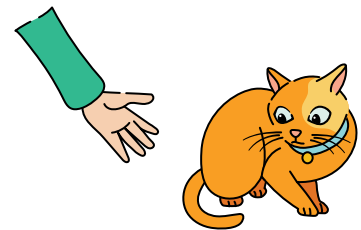
Staring, focused on the
source of fear or anxiety



Hiding



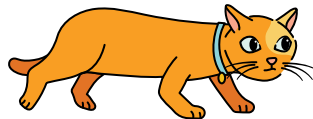
Laying on side,
tail flicking



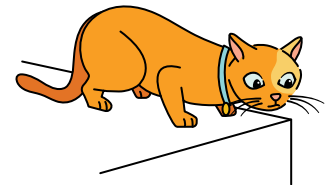
Slight crouching



Suddenly grooming,
excessive grooming

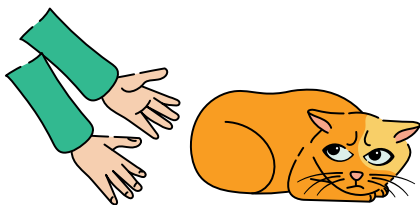


Lowered body posture, tail down



Trying to escape

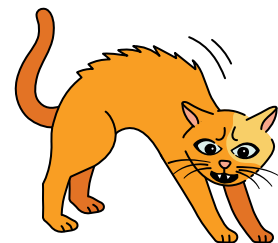
Major signs of fear and anxiety



Major crouching



Hair rasied, staring,
ears turned back



Hissing and/or swiping



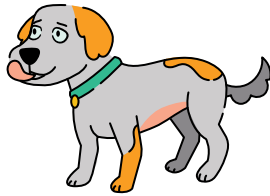
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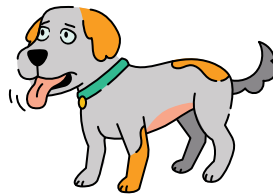
Body language of fear, stress and anxiety in dogs

Subtle signs of fear and anxiety

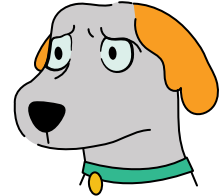
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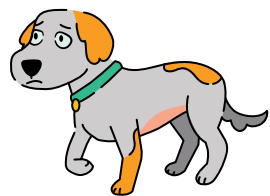
Licking lips
when no food is nearby



Panting
when not hot or thirsty



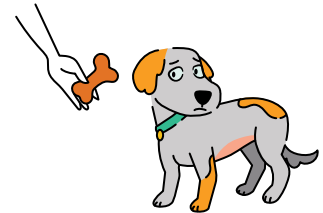
Brows furrowed, ears to side or in lowered position



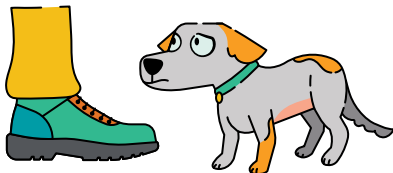
Moving in slow motion
lifting a paw



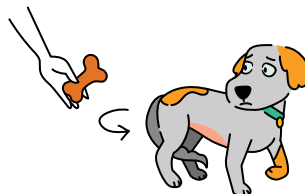
Yawning
when they shouldn't be tired



Suddenly won't eat
but was hungry earlier

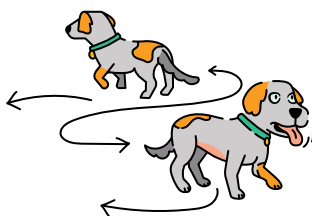


Slight cowering

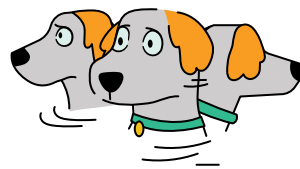


Moving away

Major signs of fear and anxiety



Pacing
sometimes with sweaty paws



Hypervigilant
looking in many directions



Major cowering



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