■ Animal Welfare Checklist

Basic Needs

■ Fresh, clean water available

■ Adequate food (appropriate type & amount)

■ Shelter from weather (heat, cold, rain)

■ Clean, safe living space (no hazards, waste removed)

Health & Appearance

■ Body condition healthy (not too thin/obese)

■ Coat clean, no bald patches or sores

■ Eyes, ears, nose clear (no discharge/infection)

■ Mobility normal (no limping, stiffness)

■ Up-to-date vaccinations/parasite control

Behavior & Wellbeing

■ Animal appears alert and responsive

■ No signs of extreme fear or aggression

■ Shows interest in surroundings/people

■ Has access to exercise or enrichment (toys, walks, space)

Red Flags (may require urgent attention)

■ Visible injuries or untreated medical issues

■ Signs of malnutrition (ribs/hips visible)

■ Extremely dirty or unsafe environment

■ Signs of neglect (long nails, matted fur, dehydration)

■ Animal confined without food/water for long periods

Notes / Observations