

# WELFARE GROOMING CONSENT & CHECKLIST

*The Department of Health has stated that "Pet Grooming services are not permitted to operate, except where a failure to provide these services would create an animal welfare issue for the pet and no other options for resolving that welfare issue are available. Grooming is to take place at an authorised provider (veterinary clinics and pet stores are authorised providers)"*

I \_\_\_\_\_ hereby authorise Bark & Co. Grooming & Accessories to groom my dog for welfare reasons. I understand that this may require them to clip my dog off quite short to remove any excess matting and I will not hold them responsible for any issues arising from my dog/s needing to be clipped closer to the skin. I also understand that under welfare conditions, Bark & Co. will not do any de-matting of the coat, it is purely a welfare groom for the best interests of my dog/s current welfare needs.

Dogs Name \_\_\_\_\_

Breed \_\_\_\_\_ Age \_\_\_\_\_

## **Please tick the welfare concern/s as appropriate:**

- There is matting which may be causing discomfort, or increase the risk of skin infections
- My dog has excessively long hair around the eyes which if not groomed may increase the risk of injury to the eye
- My dog is a breed prone to overheating if regular grooming is not performed
- My dog has/or is prone to skin issues which may worsen if regular bathing with a medicated shampoo and grooming is not performed.
- My dog has very long nails which are causing discomfort and can be ingrown
- My dog has excessive hair under his/her paws and pads which can cause him/her to slip and fall
- My dog has excessive hair in his/her ears which if not properly trimmed can lead to ear infection
- My dog has a behaviour problem that stops me from being able to safely groom him/her at home
  
- Sedated Yes / No If Yes – Type, Dosage & Time given \_\_\_\_\_

Vet Letter Provided (Please circle)

YES / NO

Signed \_\_\_\_\_ Date \_\_\_\_\_