

PARROT BEHAVIOR INTERVIEW FORM

Please be as complete as possible in your responses & take all the space you need. If additional space is needed, continue on the back.

OWNER CONTACT INFORMATION

Date:

Name:

Referred By:

Address:

Phone Work:

Home:

Cell:

E-mail Address:

PET INFORMATION

Name

Species

Age

Sex: _ Sexing method:

Age when acquired:

From what source?

Owned how long?

Previous history?

Did you hand feed the bird?

If so, were there any problems?

Your previous experience with birds:

Are its wings clipped?

Who is the bird's groomer?

Avian vet's name, address and phone #:

Medical problems (present and past):

Any current medications? If so, what?

FAMILY INFORMATION

All people living in home:

Name

Sex

Age

Relationship

Occupation

1.

2.

3.

4.

5.

Other Animals Living With Family:

Species/breed

Sex/age acquired/age now

Interaction with subject bird

Changes in household since pet acquired (including moves, renovations, whatever):

ENVIRONMENTAL INFORMATION

Home (1-2 bedroom apartment, single home, etc.):

Region (rural? city?):

How many cages does the bird have?

What are the cage dimensions?

Where is the bird's main cage?

What can the bird see from its cage (windows, skylights, TV, etc.)?

Does the bird have a hiding place in its cage and if so, what is it like?

How often is bird outside cage and for how long?

When the bird is out of the cage, where does it go?

When you are home and bird is awake, where is the bird?

What tends to happen in the area where the bird spends its time?

If there are other cages, where are they, and what happens in those areas?

Where does the bird sleep?

Is its cage covered at night?

What time of night does the last person leave the room in which the bird sleeps?

Who is the bird's favorite person?

Why is that?

Who spends most time with the bird?

DIET and HYGIENE INFORMATION

What is the bird's base diet (i.e., seed mix, pellets, etc.)?

If pellets, what brand?

Estimated % of daily food intake in each category (Note: guesstimations of what the bird *actually eats*, not just what it is fed):

<u>Base diet</u>	%	<u>Veggies:</u>	%	<u>Types of vegetables:</u>	
<u>Fruit:</u>	%	<u>Types:</u>		<u>Animal protein (meat, eggs, cheese):</u>	%
<u>Carbohydrates</u> (pasta, bread, etc.)	%			<u>Junk Food:</u>	%
		<u>Other:</u>	%	<u>Explain "Other":</u>	

Is bird picky about food? If so, what types?

Treats(hand-fed items or not regular part of diet):

Favorite treats (bird gets excited, readily takes and eats):

How does the bird get its treats?

How often does the bird bathe?

What method?

What is drying method?

Any smokers in the house?

How and when is the cage cleaned?

How many toys does the bird have and what types are they? (i.e., manipulatable, destructible, etc.)

Does the bird play with its toys?

Does the bird play with people?

INFORMATION ON ROUTINE ACTIVITY

Describe a typical workday:

Describe a typical non-work day:

What are the rules of the house?

What is the bird not ever allowed to do?

What is the bird allowed to do when it gets permission?

What is the bird allowed complete freedom to do?

BEHAVIOR INFORMATION

What is/are the problem(s) with this bird and what is the duration of each problem?

Biting/Lunging/ Chasing:

Excessive Noise:

Excessive FEAR:

When the bird is "bad", how do you reprimand it?

Other typical non-problem behaviors (i.e., what is its personality like?):

How does the bird react to the following?

Vet visits:

Grooming:

Carrier:

Towels:

Familiar people:

Strangers:

What do you consider to be normal behavior for your bird?

What do you consider to be a desired behavior of your bird?

What do you consider to be an unwanted behavior of your bird?

WHAT IS THE MOST SERIOUS PROBLEM WITH THIS BIRD?

HISTORY: Please give a chronological description of the problem's history, including the season (if not the month) of each change in behavior from events just before the problem appeared to the current situation. Include answers to these questions: Had problem when acquired? Developed afterwards? When? How old was the bird?

How often does it occur?

Usual circumstances:

But the behavior sometimes happens when...

What have you tried so far to correct it and with what results?

What else do I need to know about this situation?