



ASK THE GROOMER

How Often Should You Groom Your Pet

How often your pet should be groomed is really a function of the type and size of pet you have, as well as how your pet relates to you and other. The industry standard says that pets should be groomed every 4 to 6 weeks. However, if your pet is mostly indoors and receives consistent brushing you may go significantly longer than 6 weeks between grooming visits. Also, If your pet is primarily outside, you may not be as concerned about his or her general smell as you would be if he or she were indoors. Again, in cases like this, you may elect not to groom your pet as often. Conversely, if you have long-haired or larger pets, especially if they spend a lot of time indoors, you may want to groom your pet nearly once a month to maintain his or her looks and smell within your home. Additionally, if your pet has a specialty contour to his or her grooming cut such as Poodles, Terriers, etc.; you may desire more frequent visits to ensure that the shape/look you desire is maintained. Much of this comes down to personal preference. However, we would caution that waiting too long between visits can create a situation where the hair coat deteriorates and in some cases develops mats. In addition, regular grooming addresses other health concerns such as ear cleanliness, swollen anal glands and other issues, which if ignored for long periods of time, can cause pain or irritation and possibly more extensive, and therefore, expensive work at the groomer.

