MATTED PET RELEASE FORM

The need to remove matted hair is a necessity. When a coat becomes tangled beyond the ability to brush or comb through it, the most humane method is to shave off the matted hair. Shaving may seem severe, but it is the fastest and least stressful way to groom a matted pet.

Matted coats can cause the following problems:

- Skin irritation caused by dirt, dander and parasites trapped under matted hair
- Sores and hair loss: as mats get tighter, they eventually pull out of the skin, causing bald spots and sore skin
- In severe cases, maggots can infest skin sores
- It is not uncommon to find pre-existing conditions such as hot spots, sores and other skin issues once the matted coat is removed. There is a chance that your pet's skin may become irritated from being clipped so close
- Ear bruising or haematoma bleeding due to excessive head shaking after removal of mats can occur.

Because the procedure takes extreme care and extra time, there will be additional charges depending on the severity of matting.

I HAVE READ AND UNDERSTAND THE ABOVE. I hereby release sMARTs from responsibility for the above mentioned shaving process and any problems that may be uncovered or occur during said procedure. I agree to pay any and all charges for said procedure. Should my pet require veterinary care during or after the procedure, I authorise sMARTs to provide necessary treatment for my pet and agree to pay any and all veterinary fees.

OWNER NAME	_ PET NAME
SIGNATURF	DATE