Panting scores are monitored on a scale of 0 to 4.5.

**Panting Score 0**
- No panting
- Difficult to see chest movement

**Panting Score 1**
- Slight panting, mouth closed, no drool or foam
- Easy to see chest movement

**Panting Score 2**
- Fast panting with drool and foam
- No open mouth panting

**Panting Score 2.5**
- Fast panting with drool and foam.
- Occasional open mouth panting.

**Panting Score 3**
- Open mouth, drooling and neck extended.
- Head usually up.

**Panting Score 3.5**
- Open mouth, drooling and neck extended.
- Tongue out slightly.

**Panting Score 4**
- Open mouth, drooling and neck very extended.
- Tongue well out.

**Panting Score 4.5**
- Open mouth, drooling and neck very extended.
- Tongue out, and head down. Flanks often heave with forced breathing.