UI Guidelines – PetStore Application Assessment

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| UI Guideline | Adherence / Violation | Description |
| Visibility of System Status | Adherence | The site promptly reflects user actions like displaying products upon clicking categories. No loading indicators or feedback during slow operations. |
| Match Between System and Real World | Adherence | Uses intuitive product categories (Fish, Dogs, Birds) and familiar terminology, aligning with user expectations. |
| User Control and Freedom | Violation | Lacks breadcrumb navigation or undo options. Users cannot easily return to previous selections or exit a process. |
| Consistency and Standards | Adherence | Consistent font styles, colors, and layout across all pages. Buttons and links behave predictably. |
| Error Prevention | Violation | Forms lack validation, allowing users to submit empty fields without any warnings or error prevention. |
| Recognition Rather Than Recall | Adherence | Navigation menus remain visible throughout the session, reducing the need for users to recall previous actions. |
| Flexibility and Efficiency of Use | Violation | No search bar, filtering, or quick access features. Not optimized for frequent or advanced users. |
| Aesthetic and Minimalist Design | Adherence | Clean, simple, and straightforward interface with only essential elements. |
| Help Users Recognize, Diagnose, and Recover from Errors | Violation | Error messages are either missing or too technical. Users are not clearly guided on how to fix issues. |
| Help and Documentation | Violation | No visible help, tooltips, or documentation. New users are left to figure out workflows on their own. |