



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern, the animal below was confiscated from address 59 3rd Avenue Retreat by Inspector Werner Taljaard.

I, Dr R Ramnanan, was requested to perform a veterinary examination and report to assess the welfare of this animal.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Canine
Breed: Cross Breed
Sex: Male intact
Age: Adult
Name: Unknown
Description: White and Brown
Weight: 18.4kg
Admission number: A075821

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- Description of condition

Body condition of this animal was below average, 3/9 according to the Nestlé PURINA Body Condition System.

A focal superficial erosion and depigmentation was noted on the nasal planum.

Mild hair loss and itching (pruritus) of the skin localised to the tip of tail, paws and medial and lateral aspect of the thighs.

All vital parameters were within normal limits.

- Duration of condition

Chronic.

- Cause of condition

In my experience, the skin condition is caused by primary flea bite allergy dermatitis (an immune dysregulation in response to proteins in flea saliva). A biopsy of the nasal planum is recommended to identify the cause of condition.

Prognosis

Fair. Strict tick/flea treatment and environmental disinfection is essential for this animal to live without pain and discomfort from ectoparasites. The results of the biopsy of the nasal planum impact the treatment and prognosis of the dog.

COMMENTS

The dog was in poor body condition with normal appetite, habitus and stool.

In my opinion the animal is experiencing discomfort due to the flea bite allergy. The lesion on the nose is also sensitive to touch and sun exposure. This results in two major Animal

Freedoms being violated: the freedom from pain and discomfort and the freedom from hunger.

Yours sincerely

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Veterinarian

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