

SWARTLAND WEST COAST SPCA
INSPECTOR REPORT

I3440

Complaint Reference No.

Building:
Street: 36 MARKUS STREET
Suburb: PATERNOSTER
Postal Code:
Inspector: CARINA BODENSTEIN
Date of Inspection: 2024-06-24
Time of Inspection: 13:20

RESPONDENT'S DETAILS

Name: WESLEY
Company:
Identification:
Email:
Tel 1:
Tel 2:

REPORT

Access Granted By: Wesley
Comment:
Were Animals Seen on the Property: Yes
Relationship to Property Owner: Owner
Captured By: CARINA BODENSTEIN 2024-06-25 15:08

CHECKLISTS

WATER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ADEQUATE SHELTER AVAILABLE	Yes	
ADEQUATE SPACE AVAILABLE	No ***	Chained
CLEAN LIVING ENVIRONMENT	Yes	
ANIMALS IN GOOD CONDITION	Yes	
VETERINARY PROBLEMS / HEALTH CO	No	
CONFINEMENT OF ANIMALS	Static Chain - inadequate length ** No fence	

General Report Comments: PROACTIVE

Upon arrival, I observed 1x dog chained in front of the house. The light chain is extended with a rope making the length approximately 3m long. The dog had a suitable collar fitted. The dog had access to a large kennel that was standing next to the house. The dog had water, a clean living area and appeared to be in good condition with no veterinary or health concerns observed.

A young coloured male approached from the house and introduced himself as Wesley, the owner of the dog.

I advised Wesley that the manner in which the dog is chained is not suitable as the dog has limited roaming space. I advised Wesley to extend the chain by 2m as this will grant the dog more space. Wesley became hostile towards me and began swearing, thinking that someone complained about his dog. I tried to de-escalate the matter, however Wesley was set in his way and walked away. Wesley then returned and explained that the dog is actually kept indoors and stays with him indoors and also sleeps with him on the bed, the dog is only placed on the chain when he cleans the house. He then made the dog loose from the chain and the dog immediately went inside the house, proving the dog is used by living indoors. Wesley then shouted at some of the neighbors across the street making accusations about them not caring after their children and making trouble for him. I again tried to calm Wesley down, but this was not working, I actually think he was on drugs during the time of my inspection due to his behavior and manners. Wesley closed his house door and then walked off in the street.

Another lady from next door then approached me and advised that the dog is always with him and has access to the house, and as Wesley stated only chained for a while during the time he cleans the house.

I gave Wesley the benefit of the doubt, however I still issued a warning stating that if and when the dog is chained, the chain must be extended by at least 2m. I gave the warning to the lady who stated she will give him the warning.

*A running chain would not be recommended due to how the property is built and the space available for the dog, the dog will have more roaming space with an extended chain than being on a runner.

7 days was granted to extend the chain.

I will conduct routine spot checks to see if the dog is chained during irregular days and times.

ACTIONS

Warning Issued

W4643

REPORT OUTCOMES

Follow-up inspection to be conducted 2024-07-01

INSPECTION ANIMALS

Description:

1 x DOGS (X BREED (UNKNOWN)) - A STERILISED FEMALE (COLOUR: TAN/WHITE) CONDITION: GOOD