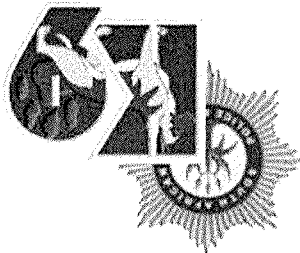


INSPECTION OF SOUTH AFRICAN POLICE SERVICE DOG UNITS



IT IS IMPORTANT TO TAKE NOTE OF THE FOLLOWING WHEN INSPECTING SAPS DOG UNITS:

The SAPS Dog Unit Checklist has been designed specifically for the inspection of the South African Police Service Dog Units.

When conducting a proactive or reactive inspection at the SAPS Dog Unit in your area it is important that the Inspector reports directly to the Unit Commander for introduction and explaining the reason for the inspection. If the Unit Commander is not available then the Inspector needs to ask for the Acting Unit Commander or Kennel Official.

Inspectors must be authorized under the hand of the magistrate of the district, in terms of Section 8(1) of the Animals Protection Act No 71 of 1962, to conduct inspections at the SAPS Dog Units.

Prior to conducting the inspection of the kennel facilities, we recommend that the Inspector takes the time to go through the checklist to complete all the relevant information and questions. It is important to note that some of the questions are for your own personal knowledge/observations whilst conducting the inspection.

Upon completion of the checklist the Inspector will understand the basic layout and operations of the specific SAPS Dog Unit and what needs to be inspected. It is important that the Inspector is accompanied by a SAPS Official at all times during the inspection. It is not recommended that the Inspector handles the SAPS dogs. If handling is required then the SAPS Officials should be handling the dogs for safety reasons.

The Inspector must ask to inspect the last SAPS Veterinary Inspection Team Report conducted at the Dog Unit. The SAPS Veterinary Team Inspection is an internal inspection done by SAPS and is conducted at least once annually. This report states the concerns that were noted at the specific Dog Unit during the inspection. The Inspector must pay close attention to the SAPS Veterinary Report and can then compare their findings with that of the SAPS Veterinarian.

Direct contraventions of the Animals Protection Act (APA) must be issued in writing to the SAPS Dog Unit in the form of an official written warning. Non APA contraventions can be pointed out as a separate recommendation. Warnings may only be issued for **direct** contraventions of the Animals Protection Act.

A copy of the warning issued to the SAPS Dog Unit must be forwarded to the NSPCA Special Projects Unit for further perusal. The NSPCA Special Projects Unit will forward a copy of the warning to the relevant heads at the SAPS for further investigation and perusal.

Please do not hesitate to contact the NSPCA on 011 907 3590 or specialprojects@nspca.co.za for more information or guidance on the inspection of SAPS Dog Units.

SAPS DOG UNIT INSPECTION CHECKLIST

Date of inspection: 27/8/2024	Inspector(s): Flewco types
Time of inspection: 13h40	

1. SAPS DOG UNIT INFORMATION	
SAPS Dog Unit: Outeniqua	Province: Western Cape
Address: 1 Hedgeway	Facility: Paccalstorp
GPS Co-ordinates: S	E

Unit Commander: Colonel Dawids	Tel No.: 044-8039112	Fax No.:	Cell No.:
Unit Second In Command: Capt. Hyne	E-mail: dogunit.george@saps.co.za	Cell No.: 044-8039113	Cell No.:
Kennel Official:	Cell No.:	E-mail:	

2. VETERINARY INFORMATION	
SAPS Veterinarian: Mingfield	Tel No.: 021-5904901
Fax No.:	E-mail:

Local Veterinarian: Helen Ringle / B. Elke	Practice Details: Vetcare
Tel No.: 044-8744060	Cell No.:
Fax No.:	E-mail:

The SAPS Dog Units make use of the SAPS Veterinarians based at Rooideplaai in Pretoria. But when the need arises in an emergency case they will make use of a local veterinarian.

3. GENERAL MANAGEMENT	
Number of dogs at the Unit? 14 Dogs	Is there a "SAPS 84" file available with information on each dog? Yes / No
Is the medical information available for each dog? Yes / No	Breed of dogs used: i.e. German Shepherd, Border Collie, Labrador, etc. Bloodhound
Mating: Mating	
Function of dogs: i.e. Patrol, Explosive, Explosive, Narcotic, Tracker, Fire Accelerant, Biological Body Fluid, Search and Rescue, Protected Species, Sheep, Carcass and Hide, Currency, etc.	
Identification used: i.e. (Microchip, tattoo, none) Microchip	

Are any of the following dogs being housed at the Unit? If yes, how many?	
Crime Intelligence and Protection Services Dogs	(Yes) No
Operational Response Services Dogs	(Yes) No
Presidential Protection Services Dogs	(Yes) No
Port of Entry Dogs	(Yes) No

4. WORKING DETAILS OF DOGS	
Duty roster available for each dog? (including rest periods)	(Yes) No
Length of each shift?	12 hours
Travelling time?	40 min
Travelling conditions? i.e. rough terrain, etc	Smooth

5. KENNELS	
Number of kennels at the Unit:	16 kennels
Description of kennels:	Brick built with steel mesh
Adequate shelter?	(Yes) No
Size of kennels: May not be smaller than 2m x 4m and 1.8m high	3m x 4m x 2m
Condition of kennels: i.e. good, in need of repair, loose wires, broken gate, etc	Good
Maximum time spent in the kennels?	8 hours
Fence fighting observed?	No
Description of exercise runs?	Grass runs with wire fencing
Adequate shelter available in the exercise runs?	(Yes) No
How often are the dogs allowed into the exercise runs?	Daily
How many hours are the dogs allowed to spend in the exercise runs?	12 hours

6. HYGIENE	
Are the kennels and exercise runs clean?	(Yes) No
Cleaning/disinfectant products used?	F10
How often are the kennels disinfected?	twice weekly
Are the dogs removed from the kennels during cleaning?	(Yes) No
What measures are in place to control flies & rodents?	
Is the grass at the Unit kept short to prevent ticks and snakes?	(Yes) No

7. FOOD AND WATER	
How often are the dogs fed?	Once per day
Quantity of food?	Good
Brands of food used?	Morongo
General hygiene of food store? i.e. clean, dirty, smelly, etc	

Are there any poisons or dangerous chemicals kept in the feed room?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Potable water available for all the dogs?	Yes ☒ No ☐

8. HEALTH MANAGEMENT	
Dipping bath available?	Yes ☒ No ☐
How often are the dogs dipped?	Using Bravecto @ the moment
Is the dipping bath in good working order?	Yes ☒ No ☐ - Damaged
Other form of parasite control: i.e. frontline, flea powder, etc	Bravecto
General condition of dogs: i.e. poor, fair, good, obese, etc	Good
Any sick or injured dogs observed?	Yes ☒ No ☐
If yes, provide details?	N/A
Any signs of behavioural problems?	Yes ☒ No ☐ - observe
If yes, provide details?	

9. TRANSPORTATION	
Method of transport:	Bubble cab vehicle. NW GT!
Maximum length of time dogs confined in transport:	± 8 hours
Are dogs muzzled during transport?	No
General roadworthiness of vehicles:	Good condition
Are the transport cages/trailers clean?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Are the doors secured to prevent escape or theft?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Do the dogs have enough space to stand, turn and lie down?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Is ventilation suitable?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Is there potential for exhaust fumes entering the dog(s) space?	Yes ☒ No ☐

10. RETIRED DOGS	
What do they do with retired dogs?	Howlers kept
Where are they kept?	
Is a rehoming policy in place?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Are pre and post home checks done?	Yes ☒ No ☐
Are all dogs sterilised?	Yes ☒ No ☐

11. PROBLEMS / CONCERNS / COMMENTS	
Concern about pipe fittings in kennels. Could pose a possible danger for dogs. All dogs appears to be healthy. Corroded surfaces dogs still kept. @ SADS Unit	

INSPECTOR: James Lopez
SIGNATURE: [Signature]

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Date: 17 September 2009

Action taken? i.e. warning, recommendations, education, etc

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