



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern

On Thursday morning, 22 December 2022, Inspector Mfini from the CoGH SPCA, presented me with a puppy for evaluation. Amission nr: 87541

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species : Canine

Breed: Cross/ Rottweiler

Sex: Female intact

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

Upon clinical evaluation, the patient was QAR (quiet, alert and responsive). The tail was amputated on the cranial part of the caudal vertebrae. The distal piece of necrotic tail which was amputated was hanging from part of the cauda equina nerves. The amputation wound is necrotic and purulent exudate is present (infection). The rest of the clinical examination is unremarkable and the patient is otherwise healthy. The patient was started on an anti-inflammatory medication (Petcam) as well as an antibiotic (amoxicillin and clavulanic acid).

COMMENTS

Based on my findings, I believe that the puppy did endure suffering due to tail docking being done inhumanely without a veterinary professional's opinion. Tail docking is strongly frowned upon in the veterinary profession unless done by a veterinarian due to medical reasons other than aesthetic reasons.

Yours sincerely

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Veterinarian

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