



VETERINARY REPORT

On the 7th of November 2024,

I, Dr Helen Aldrich, was requested to perform a veterinary report on a dog presented to me by Inspector Rowan, who confiscated the dog from a "Elton Johnson" from 93 Eland Road, Kewtown, Cape Town. The dog was confiscated after inspectors issued 3 warnings for the owner to seek veterinary treatment for the dog in question, with no response from the owner.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Dog
Breed: Cross breed
Sex: Male, intact
Age: Adult
Name: Bruno
Description: Tan and white
Case number: A51903 / INSP206897

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- **Description** of the condition

The dog in question presented with the following pathologies:

1. Moderate to severe swelling associated with the left hind metatarsal region (left back foot) with very slight weight bearing

- **Duration** of the condition

Subacute to chronic-active

- **Cause** of the condition

Radiographs showed thick brush-like periosteal reaction of the metatarsal and tarsal region of the left hind limb. This is a moderately aggressive reaction of bone which occurs in response to abnormal stimuli to the bone tissue i.e. infection/trauma/neoplasia. It is difficult to ascertain what the exact cause of this reaction is, but it is associated with inflammation and thus pain and discomfort.

- **Prognosis** – Fair

- **Recommendation**

In my opinion this animal suffered unnecessarily as it went without veterinary care required for the moderate to severe limp associated with the left hind leg. This is a painful and uncomfortable condition that violates the animal freedom of "Freedom from pain, injury or disease".

Yours sincerely

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Veterinarian

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