



VETERINARY REPORT

To whom it may concern, the below animal was abandoned. The animal was collected in Kraaifontein by Siyabonga.

ANIMAL DETAILS

Species: Canine
Breed: Pitbull
Sex: Male intact
Age: 5years old, Adult
Name: Tjoppie
Description: Brown and white
Weight: 26.6kg
Admission number: A53413

EXAMINATION FINDINGS

- Description of condition

All vital parameters were within normal limits.

Skin condition - mild hair loss, itching (pruritus) noted on the body.

Lack of pigment noted on the nasal planum.

Severe infestation of ticks and fleas on the body, especially the ears.

According to the Nestlé PURINA Body Condition Score, the body condition score was 1/9.

Evidence of temporal bones, ribs and bony prominences are easily visible.

- Duration (weight loss and parasite infestation)

Chronic.

This is supported by blood results:

evidence of anaemia mostly likely caused by the excessive by tick and flea burden.

mild hypalbuminaemia, can be attributed to chronic weight loss.

- Cause of condition

Lack of pigment can be attributed to prolonged sun exposure.

In my experience, the skin condition is caused by primary flea bite allergy dermatitis.

Weight loss is due to insufficient food being fed to the dog or poor quality of food fed to the dog.

- Prognosis

Fair, however strict tick/flea treatment and environmental disinfection is essential.

Feeding good quality food and the appropriate amount is highly recommended.

COMMENTS

In my opinion, this dog has experienced neglect and suffering. A body condition score of 1/9 is unacceptable and indicates this dog has not had sufficient food for an extended period of time. The animal is experiencing chronic discomfort and pain from excessive ticks and fleas.

This animal is in an exceptionally poor condition and timeous veterinary intervention was not provided.

Yours sincerely

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