



Affidavit – Veterinary Report

I, **Dr. Natara Moodley**, hereby make oath and declare in English as follows:

1.

I am an adult female veterinarian registered with the South African Veterinary Council (SAVC) under registration number CS26/17195. I hold a Bachelor of Veterinary Science degree (BVSc). I am currently employed by the Cape of Good Hope SPCA. I am competent to provide veterinary services and experienced in identifying clinical signs of neglect and cruelty in animals.

2.

The facts contained in this affidavit fall within my personal knowledge unless indicated otherwise or unless it appears so from the context. The facts are also, to the best of my knowledge and belief, both true and correct.

3.

On 27 January 2026, a canine was admitted into the care of the Cape of Good Hope SPCA after reportedly being seized from a property situated at 43 Silverleaf Street, Forest Village, Cape Town. The animal in question was seized by Inspector Lwazi Ntungele under SPCA case number INSP227091.

3.1. ANIMAL INFORMATION:

The details of the animal are as follows:

- **Admission Number:** A73836
- **Species:** Canine
- **Breed:** Pitbull-type
- **Sex and Reproductive Status:** Male (intact)
- **Estimated Age:** Adult
- **Colour and Markings:** Brown and white
- **Microchip:** Unknown
- **Name:** Unknown

3.2. CLINICAL EXAMINATION FINDINGS:

I conducted a full clinical examination of the animal in question. The following findings were recorded:

General Condition:

- **Body Condition Score:** 2/9 (very underweight)
- **Weight:** 18.55 kg
- **Behaviour:** Fair

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Nails:

- Nails were of an appropriate length and within normal limits.

Head and Oral Examination:

- No significant abnormalities or wounds were observed in the head or oral cavity.

Skin and Coat:

- The animal presented with a significant external parasite burden, with ticks graded at 4+.
- The overall condition of the skin and coat was considered poor and consistent with the animal's markedly compromised general condition.

Musculoskeletal System:

- The animal was markedly underweight, with significant loss of body condition and muscle mass.
- The prominent skeletal structures were consistent with the recorded Body Condition Score of 2/9.

Parasite Burden:

- Severe tick infestation, graded at 4+.

Most Significant Clinical Findings

- Severe underconditioning with a Body Condition Score of 2/9.
- Body weight of 18.55 kg.
- Marked loss of body condition and muscle mass.
- Severe parasite burden
- The overall clinical presentation was indicative of significant neglect and compromised welfare.

4.

VETERINARY OPINION:

Based on my clinical examination and diagnostic findings, it is my professional veterinary opinion that the animal presented in a severely neglected and emaciated condition.

The Body Condition Score of 2/9 indicates that the animal was severely underweight and had an inadequate body condition. The marked loss of body condition and muscle mass, together with the severe tick infestation graded at 4+, indicates that the animal had not received adequate care to maintain an appropriate state of health and welfare.

The combination of severe emaciation and a significant external parasite burden resulted in the animal presenting in a markedly compromised physical condition. In my professional opinion, these findings are consistent with prolonged inadequate care and significant neglect.

5.

PROGNOSIS AND RECOMMENDATIONS:

Prognosis

I, **Dr. Natara Moodley**, hereby further make oath and declare in English as follows:

The prognosis was considered fair to guarded, taking into consideration the animal's severely compromised body condition, marked loss of body mass and severe parasite burden.

Recommendations

- Humane euthanasia was recommended in order to prevent further suffering and deterioration in the animal's welfare.

6.

CONCLUSION

In conclusion, the canine presented in a severely compromised physical condition, characterised by severe underconditioning, a Body Condition Score of 2/9, a body weight of 18.55 kg, marked loss of body condition and muscle mass, and a severe tick infestation graded at 4+.

The combination of severe emaciation and a significant parasite burden would have adversely affected the animal's health, physical wellbeing and quality of life. The animal was therefore experiencing significant physical compromise and suffering as a result of its condition.

The clinical findings were consistent with significant neglect and prolonged inadequate care, resulting in the animal being maintained in a state in which its basic welfare needs were not adequately met.

Having regard to the severity of the animal's condition, the extent of its physical compromise and the suffering associated therewith, humane euthanasia was recommended as the most appropriate course of action to prevent further suffering and deterioration in the animal's welfare.

7.

I know and understand the content of this declaration.

I have no objection to taking the prescribed oath.

I consider the prescribed oath to be binding on my conscience.



DEPONENT

Dr. Natara Moodley (BVSc)

The deponent has acknowledged that she knows and understands the contents of this affidavit/declaration, which was signed and sworn to before me at Grassy Park on this the 25 day of September 2026 the regulations contained in Government Notice No R1258 of 21 July 1972, as amended, and Government Notice No R1648 of 19 August 1977, as amended, having been complied with.



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