

CRUELTY INVESTIGATION REPORT FOR THE MONTH OF DECEMBER 2009

In the month of December, there were 71 cruelty cases.

There were 45 cases involving dogs:-

- 5 cases of dogs barking
- 10 cases of dogs caged
- 5 cases of dogs physically abused
- 18 cases of dogs kept in poor living conditions
- 4 cases of dogs tied up
- 3 cases of dogs sick and untreated

13 cases involving cats:-

- 1 case of cat caged
- 7 cases of cats kept in poor living conditions
- 3 cases of a cats allegedly killed
- 2 cases of cat physically abused

7 cases involving rabbits:-

- 7 cases of rabbits in poor living conditions

1 case involving turtles:-

- 1 case of turtles in poor living conditions

3 cases involving birds:-

- 3 cases of birds in poor living conditions

2 cases involving live seafood:-

- 2 cases of live seafood in poor living conditions

Summary of cruelty cases in December:

1. On 12 December 2009, the SPCA was alerted of a case whereby a cat was seen tied at one of the blocks at Jalan Enam. Upon SPCA's arrival, a cat was seen leashed to the balcony railing of one of the ground floor units there. The owner claimed that it was done to prevent the cat from straying and getting into fights with other cats. He also admitted that the cat would be leashed in the bathroom at night. Due to the structure of the building, it would be difficult to cat-proof the house to prevent the cat from running out. The SPCA advised the owner to sterilise his cat to allow him to roam freely instead of being leashed. The cat has been sterilised by the SPCA.

2. On 28 December 2009, a cat was found dead at the grass verge in front of Blk 32 Marine Crescent. It was suspected to have fallen from height from an unknown floor of the block. There were however no witnesses to the incident. All evidence and witness statements were handed over to the police, who are still investigating. The SPCA will follow up with the police. Reward flyers have been distributed in the vicinity.