

DISTRICT OF PORT HARDY

POLICY MANUAL

COUNCIL POLICY
ANIMAL CONTROL SERVICES AND FACILITIES

ANIMAL IN CRITICAL DISTRESS

POLICY #CP11.1

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1. In the event that the Animal Control Officer impounds an animal that is in, or appears to be in CRITICAL DISTRESS, The Animal Control Officer may contact the SPCA Special Constable to have them take custody of the animal.
2. If the Special Constable cannot be reached the Animal Control Officer may, in consultation with a veterinarian, immediately destroy such animal if the veterinarian is of the opinion that such animal would not survive such injury, disease or sickness or that it would be an act of humanity to destroy such animal.
3. When the decision of euthanasia is made by only the Animal Control Officer and the Veterinarian, the remains of the animal should be held for 8 days whenever possible.
4. The protocol of the BC SPCA may be used as a guide.
5. When the owner can be identified the Animal Control Officer shall attempt to contact the owner.
