

PALM BAY VIEW OWNER'S ASSOCIATION

STRAY DOGS ON SITE



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From the Palm Bay View Owner's Association Committee

Hi everyone, the Committee has been dealing with a number of complaints regarding the recent stray dog on-site, so we have put together some simple guidelines for dealing with stray animals that appear at Palm Bay View.

It is important that we all follow the same process so animals are handled safely, responsibly, and with the best chance of being reunited with an owner or receiving the proper care they need. Well-intentioned actions such as feeding, moving, or releasing an animal without following the correct steps can sometimes make the situation more difficult.

Please remember that this is not solely the responsibility of the Committee or CPS. We are all owners and residents within the same community, and everyone has a part to play in helping when situations like this arise.

Please take a moment to read and follow the attached guidance if you come across a suspected stray. Working together and following a consistent approach helps protect the animal, our residents, and the wider Palm Bay View community.



What to Do if You Find a Suspected Stray Dog

1. Secure the dog safely

If safe to do so, place the dog in a secure, contained area so it cannot wander around the community or onto the road. Initially keep it separate from your own pets and other animals, as its vaccination status and health history are unknown and it may carry a communicable disease.

2. Check for a microchip

Take the dog to a local vet to be scanned for a microchip, or contact an area rescue (on Facebook - Esentepe Shelter Official, Kyrenia Animal Rescue, Tatlisu Rescued Dogs) to ask whether someone can come to you with a scanner. A microchip may quickly identify the owner.

3. Take clear photographs

Photograph the dog's face, full body, colouring, distinctive markings and any collar or tag.

4. Share on local social media

Post the photos, where and when the dog was found, and a contact method. Recommended groups:

- Esentepe to Tatlisu News, Sales, Food
- North Cyprus Animal Network
- North Cyprus Pets, Lost and Found

5. Give the owner time to respond

Many dogs that appear to be stray are actually lost pets. Prompt sharing and a microchip check offer the best chance of reuniting the dog with its owner before longer-term arrangements are considered.

6. If rescue placement is needed

Please understand that area rescues generally cannot take a dog until the basic intake requirements have been completed. Before a rescue can consider placement, the dog should be:

- Scanned for a microchip
- Seen by a veterinarian
- Spayed or neutered
- Vaccinated

Please consider carefully before contacting the authorities: Calling the police and/or Belediye may result in the dog being removed from the area, but removal does not guarantee the dog's safety or welfare afterward. Whenever possible, first try to secure the dog, check for a microchip, locate the owner, and seek advice from a local rescue or veterinarian.

Safety first: If the dog appears injured, extremely frightened or aggressive, do not put yourself or others at risk. Contact a veterinarian or local rescue for assistance rather than attempting to handle the dog yourself.