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Pitbull Puppy Maimed – VIDEO

By Admin - Deanna, on April 6th, 2009 | [Comments \(12\)](#)



What is wrong with someone that they would take a little 8-10 week old pitbull puppy and cruelly cut off its ears and tail, leaving it suffering in pain? This little guy was found last week in the area of Whipple Road and Pond Street in Tewkesbuury, MA, his ears chopped off, leaving behind shredded edges and oozing blood, his tail improperly shortened. When Animal Control Officer Brian Fernald saw him, his heart just sank.

“He was shaking his head every five seconds, he was so uncomfortable,” Fernald recalled. “It was not done right, that’s for sure.”

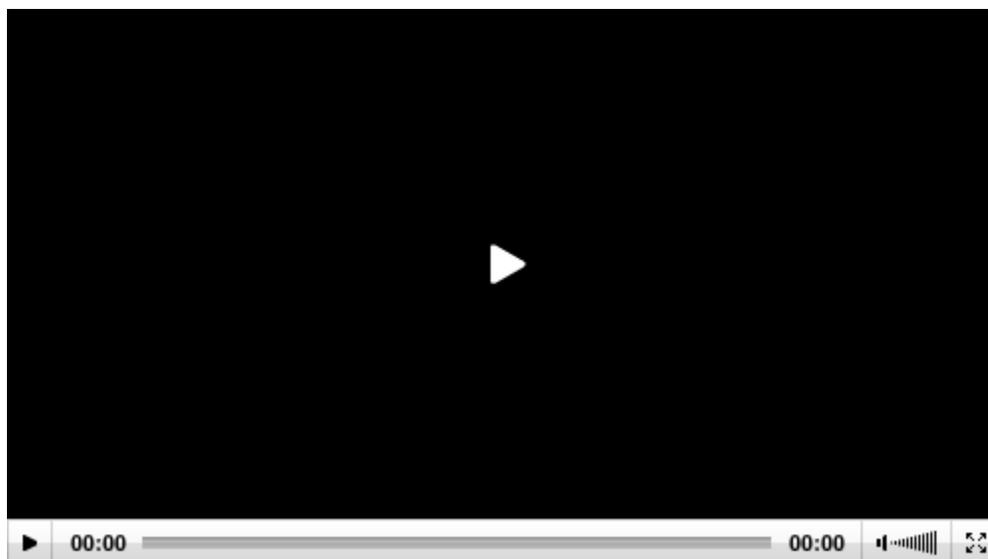
Docking ears and tails is legal but must be done by a licensed vet. When it’s done under circumstances like this, it’s usually for the wrong reasons.

“There are people who use it for the wrong reasons, whether it’s for dog fighting — so that the ears and tail can not be pulled on — or to make the dog look tougher,” said Kara Holmquist, director of advocacy at the Massachusetts Society for the Prevention of Cruelty to Animals. “People have been known to use scissors and knives when they do it themselves. It’s just really barbaric. It causes the dog a lot of pain for no reason.”

An investigation is underway to try to find the owner of the puppy but is hampered by the fact that although the puppy was wearing a collar, there were no tags and no one has come forward to claim the puppy.

The puppy has also, at this young age, been neutered.

In a small community, someone must know someone, have seen this puppy, know who it belongs to. Someone needs to step so that this cruelty doesn’t happen again to another puppy by the person who did this. Help get the word, help find out who maimed this sweet baby!



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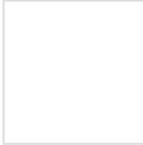
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Tommy

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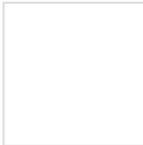
I am really saddened when I hear about these kinds of things. I cannot believe that someone can put an animal through that kind of pain... I know some dogs need to have their tails removed for certain reasons, but this is not the way to do it..



A.W.S.

[April 6th, 2009 at 11:23 pm · Reply](#)

This is just sickening. Why do they do this? I wish I could just hug this poor baby and dress his wounds and tell it's going to be ok. My heart goes out to this little one.



Veronica Dickey

[April 8th, 2009 at 2:59 pm · Reply](#)

Cropping and docking of ears and tails, even if done by a licensed vet are just for looks and cause unnecessary suffering. I know this first-hand because as a teenager I assisted a vet in doing these vain procedures and I provided all the post-op care for them. Same applies to cat declawing.

Now having a non-vet attempt these same unnecessary, vain procedures without anesthesia is simply called "butchering" and these animals suffer even more pain! It is also against the law to practice veterinary medicine without a license, a felony offense. Lets hope the person is caught!

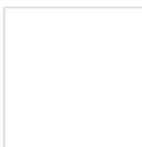


Admin

[April 8th, 2009 at 5:01 pm · Reply](#)

Veronica, I couldn't agree more! Seldom is the abuser caught in cases like this but we can hope. It would be great to get them off the streets so they don't butcher another poor dog like this, leaving ti to suffer. At least this is one puppy that is out of the hands of the idiot who did this.

D.



Court

[April 8th, 2009 at 6:52 pm · Reply](#)

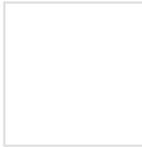
Couldn't agree more! Ear cropping and tail docking is BULL! My fiance and I have Australian Cattle Dogs, which we plan to start breeding in the future. Some people dock ACD tails! MOST don't, but the AKC accepts both, which I completely disagree with. They were BORN with a tail, they are keeping the tail! I refuse to do business with anyone that even offers the tail docking option for their pups. Both the breeders we worked with had a strict NO DOCKING policy and we're doing it the same way. Our breeder contracts will go so far as to say that they can't dock the tail later either unless it was for medical reasons, but then we'd need proof from the vet. And if they break this, we'll be in our rights to confiscate the puppy/dog back. None of our dogs will EVER get something like that done. ACD ears naturally stand, but our female has one that droops a bit at the top- which I think is adorable- but I'm certainly not gonna get them cropped to make them "look right." Grr...



Court

[April 8th, 2009 at 6:48 pm · Reply](#)

I guess the only saving grace here is that at least the puppy doesn't have a fear of people after what happened. He's at least very loving and playful to the officer, which is good. I'm glad he'll be able to make it through this, and I hope they find that bastard(s) that did this!



Alex

[May 19th, 2009 at 2:14 pm · Reply](#)

He is very playfull... i got the chance to meet him because my aunt took him in because she works with the vet that helped him.



Neesan

[April 9th, 2009 at 10:44 am · Reply](#)

I have seen a lot of this practice done to street pups in Turkey , where left unattended they suffer greatly and often get infected and gangerous. I really didnt know it happened in the US also : (



Jessie

[April 15th, 2009 at 3:26 pm · Reply](#)

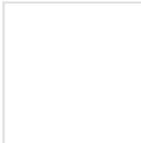
How horribly cruel and insane. Hang the Bastard!!! Good Lord...the poor puppy, I can hear his screams as this POS was doing this to him.....because, I know he must have been in horrific pain. He is soooooo darling. I hope and pray he gets a good home.



Alex

[May 19th, 2009 at 2:11 pm · Reply](#)

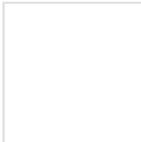
My aunt works at the Vetirianrian office that this poor puppy was brought to.. She let him stay in her house for 7 weeks, and i went over. He is the sweetest little dog anyone could ever meet! i really dont understand how/why someone would harm him. I want to inform everyone that Pup Dog is doing just fine, and hopefully we will find the cruel person who did this to him.



Casey

[May 19th, 2009 at 3:28 pm · Reply](#)

My mom took this puppy home for about 7 weeks because she works at tewksburry animal hopital, he is so full of energy, he is the sweetest puupy anyone could ever meet and i agree with my cousin alex on that, I really do hope he gets a family who will treat him well.:]



Gina R.

[October 24th, 2009 at 9:51 am · Reply](#)

Poor little baby! Can someone please tell me how this beautiful boy is doing and has he found his forever home? Was the culprit caught? Do keep me posted, please.