



## **Russian Black Terrier**

### **Pedigree Breed Health Survey**

Forms were received representing 16 living dogs & 6 deceased dogs.

#### **Mortality results**

A total of 6 deaths were reported, representing 0.11% of all deaths reported in the Pedigree Breed Health survey. The range of longevity for the Russian Black Terrier was 3 years to 16 years. Table 1 shows the causes of death for the breed.

**Table 1** The most common causes of death/reasons for euthanasia (N = 6 deceased dogs).

<b>Cause of death</b>
Unknown
Bone tumour
Brain tumour
Cancer - unspecified
Hip dysplasia

#### **Morbidity results**

The 16 live Russian Black Terriers represented 0.04% of total dogs in the survey. The median age of live dogs for the breed was 3 years (Table 2). Of the 16 Russian Black Terriers which the survey covers, 11 had reported no conditions and 5 reported affected by at least one condition (min = 1 condition(s), max = 6 conditions), giving a total of 16 incidents of conditions.

The gender, neuter status and age of neutering summary statistics for Russian Black Terriers are shown in Table 3. There were 13 dogs with responses for Body Condition displayed in Table 4.

The median age the dogs were first affected by a condition was 4 years (min = 1 year, max= 11 years). Table 5 shows the reported disease conditions for the Russian Black Terrier.

**Table 2:** The summary statistics for the dogs' current age when survey was completed

<b>Number of Dogs</b>	<b>Mean age (years)</b>	<b>Median age (years)</b>	<b>Min age (years)</b>	<b>Max age (years)</b>
16	3.47	3	0	11

**Table 3:** Gender, neuter status and age summary statistics for dogs where gender and neuter status was reported

Sex	Neuter status	Age known	Count	Mean age neutered (years)	Median age neutered (years)	Min age neutered (years)	Max age neutered (years)
Female	Neutered	Yes	1	2.00	2	2	2
Female	Not neutered	No	4	NA	NA	NA	NA
Male	Neutered	Yes	2	7.00	7	3	11
Male	Not neutered	No	9	NA	NA	NA	NA

**Table 4:** The body condition comment and the age of the dog when this comment was made

Body condition	Count	Mean age (years)	Median age (years)	Min age (years)	Max age (years)
No comment was made by vet	2	2.00	2	0	4
Normal	11	3.64	3	0	12

**Table 5:** The most commonly reported disease conditions in descending order for the breed (N = 16 live dogs)

Condition
Aural (ear) haematoma
Colitis
Hip dysplasia
Anal gland/sac infection
Hypersensitivity (allergic) skin disorder
Hyperuricosuria
Larynx (Voicebox) disorder
Lipoma
Persistent diarrhoea
Rhinitis/ nose infection
Skin lump
Unspecified Autoimmune
Urinary tract infection (UTI)

### **Summary**

From the dogs surveyed, most Russian Black Terriers were not affected by a disease condition (68.75%). There were three disease conditions that represented an equal proportion of affected live dogs; these conditions were aural (ear) haematoma, colitis, and hip dysplasia. The most commonly reported cause of death was unknown conditions.