



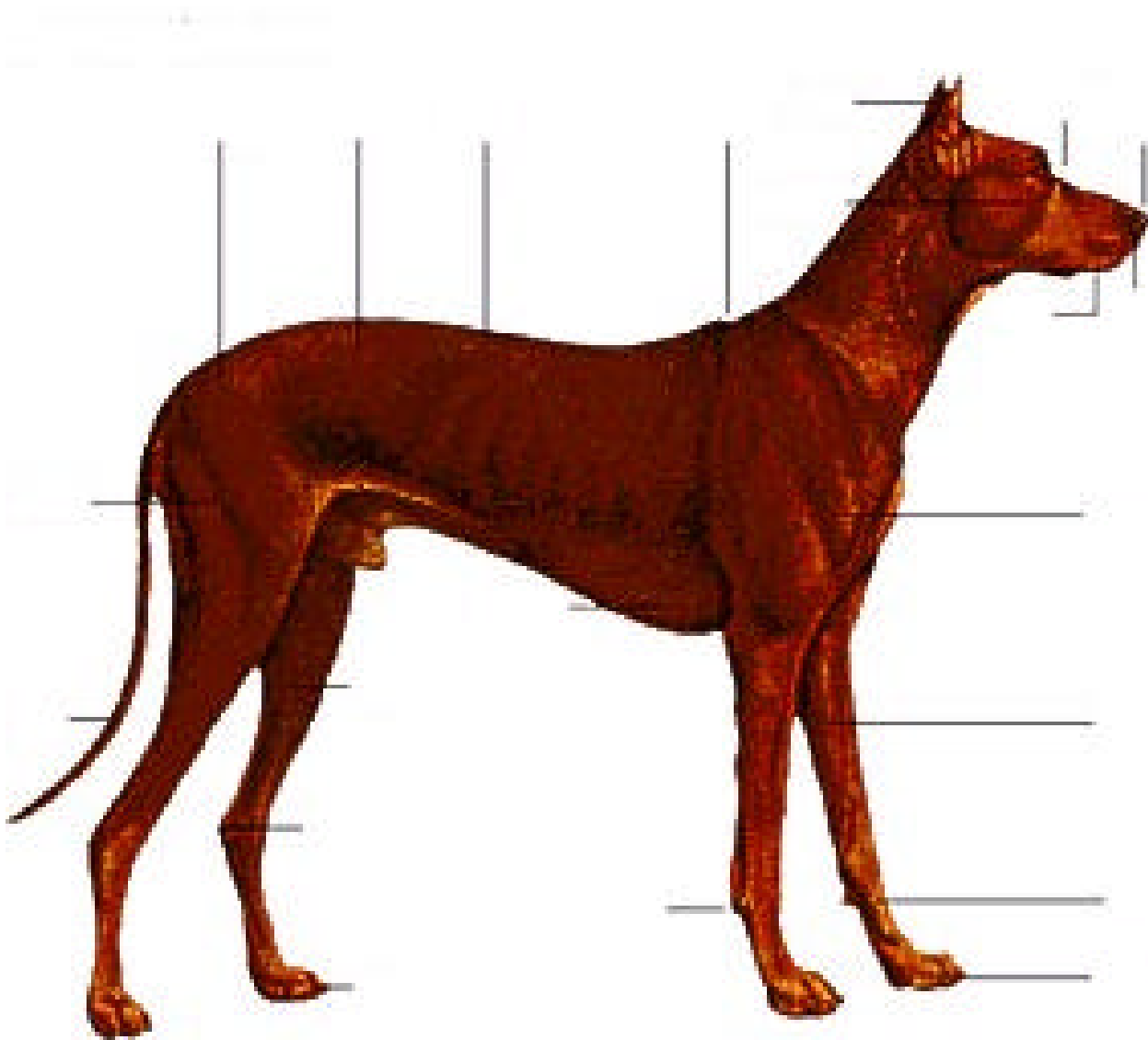
DOG CARE

Merit Badge Requirements

- 1) Tell some of the characteristics of 10 breeds of dogs; OR give a short history of one.
- 2) Point on a dog (or on a sketch) at least 10 parts. Give the correct name of each.
- 3) Present a report signed by a parent or guardian describing the care you have given your dog for 2 months. Include these items: feeding schedule, food used, housing, exercising, grooming, and bathing. Tell what has been done to keep the dog alert and healthy.
- 4) Present a written report showing about how much it costs to keep your dog for 2 months.
- 5) Explain the right way to obedience train. Show with your dog any three of these commands: "Come," "Sit," "Down," "Heel," "Stay," "Take it," "Drop it," "Get it."
- 6) Do at least TWO of the following:
 - A) Describe what should be done to remove fleas, ticks, and lice from your dog.
 - B) Describe the symptoms of the following: distemper, rabies, mange, ringworm. Explain what you would do if your dog showed any of these symptoms.
 - C) Describe the proper treatment for sore ear, sore eye, fits, removing something swallowed by a dog, removing something stuck in its throat.
 - D) Explain first aid for dog bite. List the things as needed in every dog owner's first aid kit.
- 7) Explain precautions to take in handling a hurt dog. Show how to put on an emergency safety muzzle. Explain how to treat wounds. Show how to put on a simple dressing and bandage to the foot, body, or head. Explain what to do if a dog is hit by a car.
- 8) Tell the dangers of home treatment of a serious ailment. Report on a visit to a veterinary hospital: or report on a visit to an animal shelter.
- 9) Know the laws and ordinances involving dogs in force in your town.

Requirement 2

Using the picture below or a live dog, point out and properly name at least 10 parts:



Requirement 3

For this requirement you need to prepare a report signed by a parent or guardian that describes the care you have given your dog for at least a 2 month

period. Your report needs to include information about the feeding schedule, food used, housing, exercising, grooming, and bathing of your dog. Also, in your report make sure you tell what has been done to keep your dog alert and healthy.

Use the following page for your report, or you may attach your report done on a different piece of paper to this worksheet.

___ Show and discuss your report with your counselor.

Dog Care Report

2 Month Period - Begin Date: _____ End Date: _____

Describe what should be done to remove ticks from your dog: _____

Describe what should be done to remove lice from your dog: _____

If you selected **Option B**:

Describe the symptoms for each of the following as well as what you would do if your dog showed any of these symptoms:

Distemper - Symptoms: _____

What would you do? _____

Rabies - Symptoms: _____

What would you do? _____

Mange - Symptoms: _____

What would you do? _____

Ringworm - Symptoms: _____

What would you do? _____

If you selected **Option C**:

Describe the proper treatment for the following:

Sore Ear: _____

Sore Eye: _____

Fits: _____

Removing Something Swallowed: _____

Removing Something Suck In Throat: _____

If you selected *Option D*:

Explain first aid for a dog bite: _____

Make a list of things needed in every dog owner's first aid kit:

_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____
_____	_____	_____

Requirement 7

Explain precautions to take in handling a hurt dog: _____

Law/Ordinance: _____

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