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## Dartmouth Man Charged with Animal Cruelty

**Dartmouth, Nova Scotia** – Daviyaun Michael Nathanyal Talbot, 20, of Dartmouth has been charged with willfully and without lawful excuse to killing, maiming, wounding, poisoning or injuring a cat that is kept for lawful purpose contrary to Section 445(1)(a) of the Criminal Code of Canada along with causing distress to a cat contrary to Section 26(1) of the Animal Protection Act of Nova Scotia.

On September 2, 2021, the Nova Scotia SPCA responded to a complaint that involved a deceased cat at a Halifax residence. SPCA Enforcement Officers transported the cat to the Nova Scotia Department of Agriculture's pathology lab where a necropsy was performed. The Nova Scotia SPCA conducted a thorough investigation which included a search warrant. As a result of the investigation, animal cruelty charges were laid. Talbot is scheduled to appear at Dartmouth Provincial Court on March 18, 2022.

The Nova Scotia SPCA has a zero-tolerance policy for animal cruelty and neglect. You can report acts of animal cruelty by calling the SPCA toll-free at 1-888-703-7722, e-mailing [animals@spcans.ca](mailto:animals@spcans.ca) or filling out the online form at [www.novascotiaspca.ca/reportcruelty](http://www.novascotiaspca.ca/reportcruelty) All concerns and complaints are kept confidential.

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### About the Nova Scotia SPCA

Proudly following no-kill principles, the Nova Scotia SPCA is a registered charity that helps companion animals in need. Every year, nearly 12,000 pets are helped through animal rescue, progressive programs, and rehoming opportunities. They do not receive any government funding for their shelters, so the SPCA relies on community support to help care for local pets in need. To learn more visit [www.novascotiaspca.ca](http://www.novascotiaspca.ca)

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