

Nova Scotia SPCA Provincial Office  
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Dartmouth, Nova Scotia  
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## Man Convicted Must Pay Restitution to the Nova Scotia SPCA

**Amherst, Nova Scotia** – Kuper Oldham, 21, of Wallace, has been convicted of causing an animal to be in distress, contrary to section 26 (1) of the *Animal Protection Act of Nova Scotia*. The court has ordered Oldham to pay restitution to the Nova Scotia SPCA of \$788.00 and is prohibited from having ownership, custody, care, or control of any animal for two years.

On June 15, 2023, Nova Scotia SPCA Enforcement officers attended a call about a kenneled dog who had been kicked down a flight of stairs, which had been captured on video. Officers seized the dog who was taken for a medical assessment.

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 Enforcement Team

The Nova Scotia SPCA Enforcement Team is a province-wide agency vested with the authority from the Nova Scotia Department of Justice, to provide enforcement under the *Animal Protection Act* and sections of the Criminal Code, to investigate, and where necessary, lay charges, conduct animal seizures, or issue orders to persons suspected of animal cruelty and neglect. The Nova Scotia SPCA Enforcement Team employs Special Constables appointed under the *Police Act* of Nova Scotia.

### 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, approximately 15,000 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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