

Wild Animal Control in Jordan by the ABC Program (Animal Birth Control)

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The expression "stray dog" is designated for every dog walking in streets and using lanes and deserted places as a shelter, which is not possessed by any citizen.

With the aim of eliminating the problems arising, a comprehensive system should be applied to control stray dogs and limit their existence.

The problems arising from stray dogs in the city:

- attacking inhabitants •
- causing environmental pollution •
- causing transmission of diseases •
- noise •
- creating an environment suitable for some insects affecting public health •
- stray animals are a source of danger threatening people's lives. •

Experience shows that the traditional way of controlling stray dogs by shooting or poisoning them delivers a poor outcome and has not solved this problem in the right way.

There is also a high risk from using these methods. In this context the Princess Alia Foundation starts to focus on this issue and to conduct studies for changing these methods to more efficient ones that give better results. So we have initiated the ABC program (animal birth control) – and such a program needs a high level of cooperation in the different sectors with an interest in this problem, to get a sufficient result.

The program starts in Amman and it will include the whole kingdom to achieve its purpose.