Case Log for the Certificate of Small Animal Veterinary Practice / Cardiology

Case log explanations and instructions:

The case log for the Certificate of Small Animal Veterinary Practice / Cardiology shall contain at least 100 cases mostly compiled in the second half of the program. Among the 100 cases, not less than 30 cases in cats and 30 cases in dogs. Other species are possible but not mandatory.

The following cases categories are mandatory (individual cases may include more than one category):

- 1. 20 cases of acquired cardiac diseases (DCM, pericardial effusion, MMVD, heartworm, endocarditis etc) (code AD).
- 2. 20 cases of congenital diseases (for example PDA, pulmonic stenosis or aortic stenosis, tetralogy of Fallot, VSD, ASD etc. (code CD).
- 3. 10 cases of feline cardiomyopathy (code FC).
- 4. 5 cases of heart failure (can be from categories above)
- 5. 5 cases of arrhythmias (code AR).
- 6. 3 cases of syncope (SY)

For each case in Cardiology, the following information is mandatory (information is provided as an example)

- 1. **Date:** 10 February 2017.
- 2. Name or file number: Dougal, File 538743.
- 3. Signalment: Dog, crossbred, 10y, neutered female'
- 4. Major complaint/ Problem : heart murmur and dyspnea
- 5. **Examinations (ECG, ECHO, Radiographs, Holter, ...)**: Radiographs show a left ventricular enlargement, LA is severly enlarged, VHS 12, alveolar lung pattern causdodorsally, pulmonray veins dilated. Echocardiography shows reduced systolic function LVIDs 36 (normal 25), FS 18 % (normal 25 %). The LV is also volume overloaded (M-Mode LVIDd 65 (normal 50). Moderate secondary mitral insufficiency. ECG shows hypervoltage (3.5 mV) and atrial fibrillation with average heart rate of 240/min
- 6. **Diagnosis:** DCM and atrial fibrillation
- 7. **Treatment**: initial stabilisation with Furosemide 5 mg/kg IV every hour until respratory rate was 40/min. Pimobendan IV. Long term management with Pimobendan, Furosemide (3 mg/kg TID), ACE-I BID. Atrial firbillation was treated with digoxin 0.022 mg/BSA.
- 8. Complications/Results: after one week atrial firbrillation rate was 140/min. Doígoxin level was measured.
- 9. **Follow-up**: dogs was stable for 1 months, then again pulmonary edema- Resolved with additional diuretic (Hydrochlorothiazide 1 mg/kg BID)
- 10. Your comment: owner shall count respiration rate
- 11. Code: AD

The case log needs to be compiled as an excel file using the template in the appendix

Abbreviations may be used but must be explained at the beginning of the case log table List the cases in chronological order