**Tangles and Matted Fur**

Entangled hair is a breeding ground for eczema, infections and parasites, as well as causing pain for your dog.

Entangled hair can no longer give your dog the necessary protection he/she needs. The fur fends off cold, heat and water. It also offers protection against injury and is very sensitive to touch.

A daily grooming routine is important part of your dog’s day and should be started as soon as you first bring him home. It is also important to have him/her professionally groomed every 6-8 weeks to keep his/her coat in tip top condition.

Once the coat becomes tangled it becomes very uncomfortable for your dog. Every time your dog walks the tangled fur pulls on the skin. If the tangled areas are brushed it will cause discomfort and your dog will start to dislike his/her grooming routine.

A professional groomer will usually be able to take out the tangles and this is done with special techniques and specialised equipment.

However there are some circumstances where not even the most skilled professional groomer will be able to tackle the tangles. If the coat is very matted the only thing to do will be take the coat off with a very short cut and let it regrow. Be sure, once this is the case that you keep on top of regular brushing and combing otherwise the tangles will return and the proceedure will need to occur again.

If you need advice regarding grooming your dog at home, which brushes and tools to use then please do not hesitate to ask us at Skruffs 2 Kruffs. A dog will always feel better and happier with a coat that is in good condition. This will also improve his health and general wellbeing, probably resulting in a longer life.

A healthy happy dog will be your best friend forever!!

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