

NAIL CLIPPING

Your pet's nails continually grow and without regular walking on hard surfaces to keep them worn down they will continue to get longer. It is important to have them checked by your groomer at least once a month.

Nail clipping

Inside the dogs nail is a blood supply known as the 'quick'. During the cooler months walks become less frequent, in the warmer months we try to get our pets to avoid walking on hot concrete. In some instances these changes in our behaviour can allow the 'quick' to grow with the nail limiting how much of the nail can be clipped off. In severe cases lack of monitoring the nails can lead to the nail to curl around and grow right back into the skin.

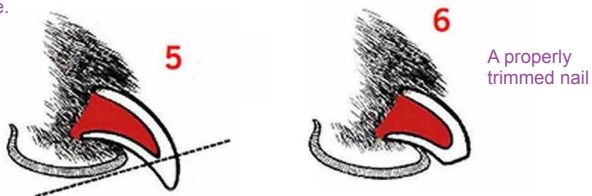


The blood supply (Quick) in a short nail.

Note how the blood supply gets longer as the nail grows.



If you clip or file or dremel a little off of a long nail every few days, the blood supply will continue to recede.



Only when the nail is kept short can it be trimmed without bleeding. If the same cut had been made on the long nail in picture 2, it would have caused bleeding.

