

Police Suspect Dozens of Dogs Killed for Fur in Siberia

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Police in the Krasnoyarsk region are investigating the origin of 30 bags containing the remains of unidentified animals found at a dump site.

Police believe the animals may have been killed to make shoes or clothes because they all had their skin and fur removed, regional police spokesman Vladimir Yurchenko <u>told</u> RIA-Novosti on Tuesday.

Residents of the Berezovsky district of the Krasnoyarsk region made the gruesome discovery on Friday and reported their finding to the police.

Judging by the condition of the remains, police <u>say</u>, they were brought to the dump site a few days before.

"Thirty sacks with dog remains were found. As for the exact number of dead animals, it's hard

to count, since they were dismembered and mixed together," Yurchenko said.

Whoever is found to be responsible for the slaughtered animals could face up to two years in prison on charges of cruelty to animals.

Police are currently questioning workers at local fur shops and workshops that design fur clothing.

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