The Power and Control Wheel of animal abuse and domestic violence

Emotional Abuse Disappearing, giving away

or killing pets to take

away their source

of unconditional

love. Forced

participation in

animal sexual

abuse.

Using Children

Harming/killing children's pets to intimidate them. Blaming the "disappearance" of the family pet of the abused partner to create a wedge between parent and child.

Denying and Blaming

Blaming the abused partner or the pet for animal cruelty. Killing the pet and saying it didnt matter because the pet was old.

Economic Abuse

Refusing to allow the abused partner to spend money on pet food or vet care.

Legal Abuse

Custody battles over pets. Filing theft charges if the abused partner leaves with the pets Threats

To harm or kill the family pet if abused partner leaves or asserts any independence.

Intimidation

Harming or killing pet: "Next time it'll be you." Targeting pets of family/friends who aid abused partners escape.

Isolation

Refusing them to take the pet to the vet. Prohibiting them from socialising the dog.

When a child has been abused contact: Oranga Tamariki, the Ministry for Children (0508 FAMILY)

If an animal has been harmed contact the SPCA: SPCA New Zealand Targeted Intervention Manager 027 700 3495

