STAGING HEART DISEASE IN DOGS

STAGE A
Dogs at high risk for heart disease (no disease present at this stage)

STAGE B
A murmur (an abnormal heart sound due to abnormal blood flow) is heard but there are no visible signs of heart failure

STAGE B1
The heart DOES NOT appear enlarged or changed on x-ray

STAGE B2
The heart DOES appear enlarged or changed on x-ray

STAGE C
Evidence of heart failure is visible and treatment is necessary

STAGE D
Heart failure is getting hard to manage and is not responding to standard treatment


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