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## Officer shoots, kills dog that attacks him

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NORTH RICHLAND HILLS -- A North Richland Hills patrol officer fatally shot a dog Monday night after the animal attacked him, police said Tuesday.

The officer, who was not identified, was bitten on the leg, North Richland Hills Investigator Larry Irving said Tuesday. The officer was taken to a local hospital, where he was treated and released.

The dog, a pointer named Ruger, was shot as the officer answered an animal complaint call shortly after 10 p.m. Monday in the 4800 block of Nancy Lane.

Irving said that police had received previous animal complaints involving Ruger.

Bobby Jones of North Richland Hills said Ruger had gotten out through a window and was standing on the porch when the officer arrived. Jones' roommate owned the dog.

"The officer was walking up to the residence looking for the owner when the dog attacked," Irving said.

Jones said the officer fired several shots, but Irving did not know how many.