

CAT TRAPS

When hiring a cat trap from Council, please follow these simple rules:

- Contact Council to request hire of a cat trap no fee payable for maximum hire of 14 days if hire is more than 14 days a fee will be applicable (refer to Council's Fees and Charges). Fees are also applicable for delivery/return of the cat trap from a residence if requested (refer to Council's Fees and Charges).
- **Before taking a trapped cat to Council's Cattery, contact Council on 1300 005 872** to confirm whether there is space at the Council Cattery. **Do not** take a trapped cat to the Council Office at any time. Council's Cattery may not always have space due to cats being impounded on a regular basis.
- **Do NOT call outside of Council's business hours of 8.30am to 4.30pm Monday Friday** (not including Public Holidays) to have a cat impounded as Council's After Hours service is for <u>emergencies only</u> and an officer will not be able to attend.
- Should the Council Cattery be full, you will need to identify another option for the cat if you are unable to care for the cat until the Cattery has capacity again. Animal Rescue groups, such as the RSPCA, Animal Welfare League (AWLQLD) or similar may be able to assist. Alternatively you may elect to release the trapped cat. Your local vet may be able to provide you with other options.
- **Do NOT set the trap between a Friday afternoon and a Sunday morning** unless you have alternate arrangements for looking after the cat until Council's next business day.
- Traps returned to the Council office must be cleaned properly with all waste (including food scraps, food containers and animal feces) removed from the trap. If the trap is not cleaned to the satisfaction of Council, it will not be accepted for return AND you will be required to remove the trap from the building and return it when it has been cleaned properly. If you refuse to clean the trap to an acceptable standard, you may be listed on Council's "No Hire" Register for a minimum of three months.