

Community Safety  
**ANIMAL TRAP DISCLAIMER**



Cat

Dog

I \_\_\_\_\_  
*Full Name*

of \_\_\_\_\_  
*Address*

with contact details

\_\_\_\_\_ *Home*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Mobile*

\_\_\_\_\_ *Work*

hereby consent to an Authorised Officer of the City of Swan providing me with a trap for use at:

\_\_\_\_\_ *Property Address*

Please tick each box to indicate you have read the statement:

- I do not consent to any cats/dogs, other than my own, being on the above listed property.
- I understand that this trap is provided in good faith and that the City of Swan is in no way responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused by the trap.
- I acknowledge that I have been provided with an extract from the **Animal Welfare Act 2002** being **Part 3 - Offences against animals** and understand that if any circumstances occur which may constitute an offence, I will be held accountable.
- I also acknowledge the trap setting times of Sunday night to Friday morning to ensure the collection service is available to attend.
- I understand that any cat/dog trapped must be handed over to either its owner or the City and if I am aware of who owns the animal trapped, I will notify the City when requesting collection.
- I understand that the City requires all reasonable measures to be taken to distribute copies of the **Neighbour Advice** form to all surrounding neighbours that may be affected, where possible, 24 hours prior to setting the trap and that this is required each time a trap is issued.
- I accept that should I not comply with any of the above, the City of Swan reserves the right to remove a trap and/or refuse to issue me with any future traps.

I have read each statement and indicated my acknowledgement by ticking each of the boxes.

Signature: \_\_\_\_\_ Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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*Office Use Only*

Work Request No: \_\_\_\_\_ Trap No: \_\_\_\_\_

Trap Issued Date: \_\_\_\_\_ Returned Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Authorised Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Completed Date: \_\_\_\_\_

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**ANIMAL TRAP DIRECTIONS**



An Authorised Officer has issued you with an animal trap to deal with a nuisance cat/dog as you have advised you do not consent to any cats/dogs, other than your own, being on your property.

This trap is provided to you in good faith and the City of Swan is in no way responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused whatsoever by the trap.

As the person responsible for setting the trap, you are reminded that you must adhere to the requirements set out within the Animal Welfare Act 2002 relating to animal cruelty. For your convenience, a copy of the section related to offences against animals has been attached to these directions. As part of the disclaimer form signed, you have acknowledged receipt of this information and understand that any infringements on these offences will make you accountable.

When setting the trap to capture cats/dogs wandering onto your private property, it is recommended that you advise your immediate neighbours, as well as those across the road and behind you if applicable, of your intention to set traps. Included with these directions is a copy of an advice notice that you can photocopy for multiple copies and drop into your neighbours' letterboxes.

You are also advised that traps are only to be set from Sunday through to Thursday evenings, as cats/dogs contained in traps can only be collected from Monday through to Friday. It is important to note that animals contained in traps after 5pm on Friday through to Sunday are not able to be collected, so please ensure the trap is not set during these times.

Once a cat/dog is captured in the trap you are required to immediately advise the City that a cat/dog has been captured and request attendance for the impounding of the animal. If the cat/dog is wearing identification, please advise the City of this when requesting attendance. You are also advised that should a cat have identification and anyone other than the owner removes this identification, an offence is committed under the City's local laws.

To report a captured cat/dog, you can contact the City 24 hours a day via telephone number 9267 9267. Messages left with the City's After Hours Service will be responded to when the next available officer is on duty.

If you have any concerns about the use of traps, please contact the Officer whose details are listed below, or alternatively contact 9267 9267 and quote the work request number.

Authorised Officer: \_\_\_\_\_ Work Request No: \_\_\_\_\_

**19. Cruelty to animals**

- (1) A person must not be cruel to an animal.  
Penalty: Minimum — \$2 000.  
Maximum — \$50 000 and imprisonment for 5 years.
- (2) Without limiting subsection (1) a person, whether or not the person is a person in charge of the animal, is cruel to an animal if the person —
  - (a) tortures, mutilates, maliciously beats or wounds, abuses, torments, or otherwise ill-treats, the animal;
  - (b) uses a prescribed inhumane device on the animal;
  - (c) intentionally or recklessly poisons the animal;
  - (d) does any prescribed act to, or in relation to, the animal; or
  - (e) in any other way causes the animal unnecessary harm.
- (3) Without limiting subsection (1) a person in charge of an animal is cruel to an animal if the animal —
  - (a) is transported in a way that causes, or is likely to cause, it unnecessary harm;
  - (b) is confined, restrained or caught in a manner that —
    - (i) is prescribed; or
    - (ii) causes, or is likely to cause, it unnecessary harm;
  - (c) is worked, driven, ridden or otherwise used —
    - (i) when it is not fit to be so used or has been over used; or
    - (ii) in a manner that causes, or is likely to cause, it unnecessary harm;
  - (d) is not provided with proper and sufficient food or water;
  - (e) is not provided with such shelter, shade or other protection from the elements as is reasonably necessary to ensure its welfare, safety and health;
  - (f) is abandoned, whether at the place where it is normally kept or elsewhere;
  - (g) is subjected to a prescribed surgical or similar operation, practice or activity;
  - (h) suffers harm which could be alleviated by the taking of reasonable steps;
  - (i) suffers harm as a result of a prescribed act being carried out on, or in relation to, it; or
  - (j) is, in any other way, caused unnecessary harm.

Dear Neighbours

**Cat/Dog Trap Notification**

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If you are the owner of a cat/dog that could wander, please ensure your cats/dogs have identification, either through tags & collars or microchips, so you can be notified should your cat/dog be captured and impounded.

If you have any enquiries in relation to the trapping of cats/dogs, please contact the City's Community Safety unit via telephone number 9267 9267.

If you are concerned about the whereabouts of your cat/dog, you should contact the City's Animal Management Facility (Pound) via telephone number 9267 9494 between the following times:

Monday – Friday	9am – 3pm
Saturday	9am – 12 noon

For further information, please contact City's Customer Support centre on 9267 9267

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