



Community (Feral) Cat Pre-Operative Care Instructions

- Trapping should coincide with our clinic's ability to spay/neuter so the cats don't remain in their traps for long. It is possible for a cat to die from hypothermia or heat stroke when confined in a trap outside.
- All feral, barn or free-roaming cats must come to the APF Community Spay/Neuter Clinic in a secure, humane (Havahart) trap. NO EXCEPTIONS. This is for the well-being of the cats and the safety of our staff.
- Cover the entire trap with a large towel or sheet. Covering the trap will help to keep the cat calm. The trap must be covered when you arrive at the APF Community Spay/Neuter Clinic.
- Feral cats must be trapped and confined with no food after midnight the night before surgery.
- Any cat that arrives in a live-release trap will not receive a physical exam to determine fitness for anesthesia prior to receiving anesthesia.
- All feral cats will have their left ear tipped while anesthetized for surgery. Ear tipping is a well-known identification used by animal control agencies and veterinarians to identify that a feral cat has been sterilized and vaccinated.
- You must follow the APF Community Spay/Neuter Clinic **COMMUNITY (FERAL) CAT AFTER SURGERY CARE** and release instructions.

Your appointment is scheduled for: _____