

community cats

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What is TNR?



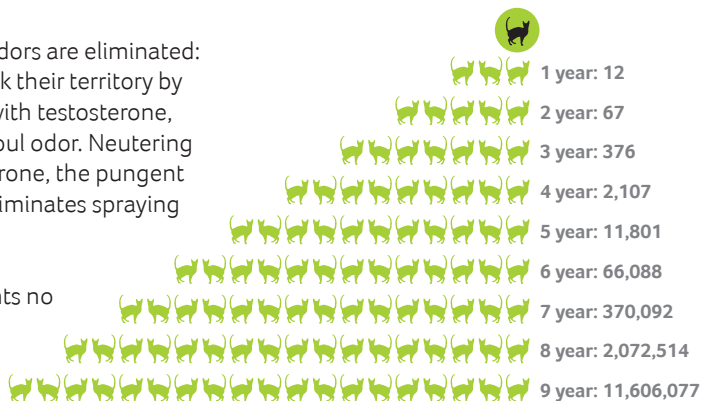
- Trap/Neuter/Release is the most commonly accepted and humane method for controlling the cat population
- The cat is trapped, taken to the veterinarian clinic to be neutered and returned to its original location
- After surgery the tip of one ear is clipped to indicate sterilization and to avoid re-trapping
- TNR is done with care and respect for the animal and the procedure is carried out by a qualified veterinarian
- Simply relocating cats has proven inefficient because once a certain number of cats are removed, other cats will move in to benefit from food and shelter

Benefits of TNR

- **LESS CATS:** In the long run, TNR lowers the numbers of cats in the community
- **LESS FIGHTS:** TNR programs ensure less fights over territory or mates, females will not suffer continuous pregnancies and fewer kittens will suffer as many do not live due to illness and hardship
- **LESS NOISE:** Most of the noise from an unmanaged colony comes from activity related to mating, such as yowling and fighting- behaviors which are greatly reduced by spay/neuter
- **LESS ODOR:** Noxious odors are eliminated: Unneutered males mark their territory by spraying urine tinged with testosterone, causing an especially foul odor. Neutering eliminates the testosterone, the pungent smell and reduces or eliminates spraying altogether
- **LESS HUNGER:** Residents no longer have to observe hungry cats or dying kittens, common experiences associated with an out of control free - roaming cat population
- **LESS BINNING:** Because a major part of TNR is colony management, feeders will be providing food once daily or every other day, this means cats will be less inclined to rummage through garbage bins

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Benefits of having Roaming Cats: Pets Not Pests

- Cats provide a natural form of pest control. They hunt and kill pests such as mice and other rodents and their scent deters them from the area. They also prey on crawling creatures such as spiders, cockroaches, grasshoppers and other insects
- One of the advantages of TNR is that a neutered colony of cats will guard their territory against intrusion by new cats, who will likely not be neutered, thereby preventing the reproductive cycle from starting up again at that location

Please
neuter
your pets!

Remember
to register
your pets
at
www.adopt-me.ae

Post TNR?

- It is important to establish managed colonies and to continue with the care post TNR. Healthy fed cats will be less of a nuisance to residents. These colonies will become the safe environment of un-adoptable feral cats and prevents them from being unduly euthanized, (put to sleep by lethal injection)
- If you ask around you will be surprised to see how many of your neighbors will actually be willing to help with caring for a colony. You can make a difference, and help with enhancing the welfare of our Community Cats
- If you find a cat, knock on your neighbor's door and ask if it's their cat, and post on your local community blog and Facebook page
- If you don't want cats in your garden simply spray them with hose water. Do not use chemicals, poison or boiling water
- You can help roaming cats by leaving fresh water in a bucket outside your house
- What to do if you find a dead cat in your area - Pick it up with a plastic bag and take it to the vet to check for a micro chip
- If your pet cat is un-neutered and roams outside your garden, it will probably mate with a stray cat producing more unwanted kittens



Help us to help you



Do you want to become
a TNR volunteer?

Do you wish to help out
with the feeding?

Do you want to learn more
about our program?

Do you have a complaint about
the community cat?

Then please contact your local
community cat caregiver:

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