

SHIRE OF BODDINGTON
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 Shire of Boddington 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 as well 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 you neighbours' letterboxes.

You are also advised that traps are only to be set from Sunday through to Thursday evening, 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 Shire 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 Shire of this when requesting attendance. You are also advised that should a cat have identification / Registration Tag and anyone other than the owner removes this identification, an offence is committed under the Shire's local laws.

To report a capture cat/dog, you can contact the Ranger Services between 9am and 4.30pm Monday to Friday on telephone 98834999 or 0428838025.

If you have any concerns about the use of traps, please contact the Office whose details are listed below, or alternatively contact 98834999 or 0428838025

Authorised Officer: _____

Work Request No: _____

SHIRE OF BODDINGTON
ANIMAL TRAP DISCLAIMER



CAT

DOG

I _____
Full Name & Date of Birth

Of _____
Street Address

With Contact Details

_____ Home

_____ Mobile

_____ Work

_____ ID Number

_____ ID Type

_____ ID Expiry

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

- I understand that this trap is provided in good faith and that the Shire of Boddington is in no way responsible for any loss, damage or injury caused by this trap.
- I acknowledge that I have been provided with an extract of the **Animal Welfare Act 2002** being **Part 3 – Offences Against Animals** and I understand that if any circumstances occur which may constitute an offence, I will be held accountable.
- I will undertake all reasonable measure to distribute copies of the **Neighbour Advice** form to all surrounding neighbours that may be affected, where possible, 24 hours prior to setting up the trap.
- I do not consent to any cats/dogs other than my own being on the above list property.
- The use of the trap is for 7 days and it must be returned to the Boddington Shire Council immediately thereafter.

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

Signature: _____ Date: _____

Office Use Only

Work Request No: _____

Trap No: _____

Trap Issued Date: _____

Returned Date: _____

Authorised Officer: _____

Completed Date: _____

(Animal Welfare Act 2002

Part 3 – Offences against animals

19. Cruelty to animals

- (1) A person must not be cruel to an animal.
Penalty: Minimum---\$2000.
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 prescribe 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 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 subject 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.



**SHIRE OF BODDINGTON
NEIGHBOUR ADVICE**

Dear Neighbours
Cat/Dog Notification

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

If you have any queries in relation to the trapping of cats/dogs or you are concerned about the whereabouts of your dog or cat, please contact the Shire of Boddington Ranger during normal office hours.

For further information, please contact the Shire of Boddington on 98834999

Regards

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