

Caretaker Name	Number of Cats in Colony	
Cell Phone () -	Home Phone () -	Email
Caretaker Street Address		
City	State	Zip Code

Indy Neighborhood Cats (INC) provides Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) and colony management assistance. By helping unowned /free roaming cats in need, you become part of the solution to the overpopulation crisis and improve the cats’ lives. You will also lessen the burden on overcrowded shelters and rescue groups.

I AGREE BY MY INITIALS TO ALL OF THE FOLLOWING REQUIRED SERVICES

___ The cat (s) I am presenting for Spay/Neuter and/or medical care are unowned / free roaming cats.

___ I am responsible for claiming the cat(s) that I am presenting for Spay/Neuter and/or medical services. The cat(s) will be released back outside at the location where they were trapped. Releasing cats in a location other than where they were trapped is unlawful and will be reported to Indianapolis Animal Care services (Sec. 531-402 – Abandonment). A fine up to \$2500 can be imposed for each violation of this section.

___ Cat(s) will receive a mandatory ear tip, which serves as the permanent ID for a community cat and indicates the cat has been neutered and vaccinated.

___ Female cats will be spayed, regardless of the stage of pregnancy, and the pregnancy will be terminated.

___ INC will make every attempt to have any medical concerns treated at the time of surgery. If additional treatment is required at another medical facility, it will be arranged on a case-by-case basis. A donation to cover medical care is not required but greatly appreciated. We are a 501c3 non-profit and rely on donations and fundraising to continue our work.

___ I acknowledge receipt of the following humane trap(s): _____. I will use the trap(s) provided to me only for services associated with INC’s TNR Program. I am responsible for returning these trap(s) to Indy Neighborhood Cats within 30 days or I will be responsible for the replacement value of the trap (\$75).

___ I have read and understand the colony guidelines, surgery and medical procedures this cat(s) will undergo and the policies guiding treatment listed on the back of the agreement form.

1. I recognize the risks cats face during handling, anesthesia, and surgery and hold Indy Neighborhood Cats and its volunteers, staff, participating veterinarians and facilities’ owners and lessees harmless should a cat presented experience complications, injury, escape, or death. I acknowledge that any cat deemed by a participating veterinarian to be severely ill or injured will be humanely euthanized, per the clinic’s policies.
2. I release INC, its volunteers, staff, participating veterinarians and facilities’ owners and lessees from any liability for any injuries or property damage which I may incur or cause while trapping, transporting, or caring for these cats.
3. I understand that I must agree to and initial all conditions, services and terms stated above, and that INC reserves the right to deny services to anyone who violates our policies and procedures.

Today’s Date: _____

Caretaker’s signature: _____

Colony Management Guidelines

1. Reasonable attempts will be made to fix all the cats in the colony, even those that visit sporadically. They will be fixed, ear tipped for identification, vaccinated for rabies, and returned to their familiar habitat.
2. Provide adequate food and water for the cats daily as appropriate.
3. Provide adequate shelter for the cats in the colony if needed.
4. Ensure that any cats that are injured or ill receive prompt treatment.
5. If you are moving or can no longer adequately care for your colony, contact Indianapolis Animal Care Services (IACS) to assist with identifying alternate caretakers or options.
6. Help community cats maintain a good neighbor status. Make reasonable efforts to work with INC, IACS, or other designated animal welfare organizations to resolve nuisance concerns.
7. Report acts of neglect, cruelty, abandonment, or abuse directed against any cat(s) to the Mayor's Action Center at (317) 327-4622.

These guidelines are in accordance with Indianapolis Animal Care Services. Failure to properly care for community cats can exclude you from our program and may result in enforcement action from Indianapolis Animal Care Services.

Spay/Neuter and vaccination package includes:

- Spay/Neuter surgery by a licensed veterinarian
- Rabies vaccination
- 4-in-1 feline vaccination (FVRCP)
- Treatment for fleas, worms, ear mites, heart worms and other parasites as needed
- Wellness check
- Treatment for injuries and illnesses as needed. INC will make every attempt to have any medical concerns treated at the time of surgery. If additional treatment is required at another medical facility, it will be arranged on a case-by-case basis.
- Post-operative recovery provided at some clinics. INC will determine the best clinic as appropriate for each case.
- Ear tip: a permanent visual identification in the form of a cropped left ear

Surgery and Medical Treatment

The cat(s) you are presenting for treatment today will be undergoing a routine, but serious set of surgical and medical treatments. It is important that you read the following sections and understand them before you sign this form and surrender the cat(s) for surgical and medical treatment.

Anesthesia

To perform these surgical procedures, the cat(s) will be induced into a state of general anesthesia. While the cats will be monitored diligently using industry accepted techniques, a small percentage of cats (approximately 1 in 1000) experience adverse reactions to anesthesia, which may be fatal. All practical efforts are made to resuscitate cats experiencing cardio-pulmonary distress or arrest, including rescue breathing, CPR and the use of medication.

The clinic may choose to postpone surgery on a cat if the cat's condition or health would make it possibly life threatening to induce anesthesia or perform surgical procedures. Specific recommendations will be made, or additional care will be provided for such cats to restore them to a state of health that would make anesthesia and/or surgery safe for the cat.

Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) and Feline Leukemia Virus (FeLv) Policy

We do not test non-symptomatic cats for these diseases. Cats who are presenting symptoms consistent with FIV and FeLv may be tested for these diseases only at the discretion of the medical staff. Treatment for animals who test positive for the presence of FIV or FeLv and are manifesting symptoms consistent with advanced stages of the disease will be discussed with medical staff.