

ULCAN COUNTY POLICY NO. 62-1017	Trap Rental Policy
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Trap Rental Policy

PURPOSE:

To make available to County residence animal traps to deal with problem animals.

PROCEDURE:

Trap Requests

1. A citizen of Vulcan County, or any hamlet or village within the borders of Vulcan County may contact Protective Services and request a trap to deal with problem animals.
2. At the request of the affected landowner, a trap will be supplied by Vulcan County in order to ensure that the animals are trapped in a humane manner.
3. Traps will be made available at the Protective Services Building. The borrower will be asked to sign an agreement (Appendix "A") which will hold them responsible should an animal be mistreated after being trapped as well as for lost, stolen or damaged animal traps. Traps will be available from 9:00 a.m. to 4:00 p.m. (closed from 12:00 p.m. to 1:00 p.m.) Monday to Friday.
4. All traps lent out by Vulcan County must be returned by the return date specified in the agreement.
5. The borrower will be required to pay a seventy five dollar (\$75.00) deposit to Vulcan County. This deposit will be returned to the borrower at such time as the trap is returned and is found to be in the same condition it was at the time it was obtained from Vulcan County.
6. The borrower is responsible for the trap while in their possession. If the trap is not returned or if the trap is stolen or damaged in anyway the borrower will be required to pay the actual cost of the replacement or repair of the trap. The borrower may contact a Vulcan County Peace Officer for a list of suitable shelters.
7. A representative of Vulcan County Agriculture Services or Protective Services may enter and inspect the premises of the borrower and ascertain if the trap has been properly placed or set and if an animal has been trapped.

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8. If at any time it is found that a resident is not adhering to the conditions set out in the agreement, the service will be withdrawn immediately.
9. Traps will be given out on a first come first serve basis. If all traps are out of the office, staff will start a waitlist and give the first available trap to the next person on the list.

Trapping Procedure

1. The borrower is responsible should an animal be mistreated after being trapped.
2. Traps can only be set on the borrower's property or in the case of a renter on his rented property.
3. The borrower must check the trap regularly and if no animal is caught before going to bed or leaving the residence, the trap should be tripped to avoid an animal being caught and spending a prolonged time in an unchecked trap. The trap should only be re-set when it can be monitored and checked regularly.
4. No trap is to be left operational when the temperature is above plus thirty (30) degrees Celsius or below negative ten (-10) degrees Celsius. At the time of requesting a trap to be lent out if these temperatures exist or when wind, rain, snow or other extreme weather conditions exist or when the weather forecast calls for extreme weather conditions, at the discretion of an Enforcement or Agricultural Services representative, the traps will not be available for use.
5. When a cat is caught, it is to be provided water and the trap moved to a location where it is protected from the weather and conditions outside or any other conditions that may bring harm to the animal until such time that it is delivered and turned over to a recognized rescue or shelter.
6. When any other animal is captured it is to be released in a suitable location that should not cause any nuisance to land owners or must be dealt with in compliance to any provincial or federal legislation.

APPENDIX 'A'

Animal Trap Rental Agreement

THE ANIMAL TRAP LENT OUT BY VULCAN COUNTY IS CONSIDERED TO BE A FEASIBLE AND HUMANE WAY OF DEALING WITH UNWANTED CATS OR SMALL ANIMALS. HOWEVER, THE TRAP COULD EASILY BECOME MISUSED AND INHUMANE IF THE FOLLOWING INSTRUCTIONS ARE NOT FOLLOWED:

1. The borrower is responsible should an animal be mistreated after being trapped.
2. Traps can only be set on the borrower's property or in the case of a renter on his/her rented property.
3. The lender must check the trap regularly and if no animal is caught before going to bed or leaving the residence, the trap should be tripped to avoid an animal being caught and spending a prolonged time in an unchecked trap. The trap should only be re-set when it can be monitored and checked regularly.
4. No trap is to be left operational when the temperature is above plus 30 degrees Celsius or below negative 10 Celsius.
5. When a **Cat** is caught it is to be provided water and the trap moved to a location where it is protected from the weather and conditions outside or any other conditions that may bring harm to the animal until such time that it is dropped off and delivered to a recognized rescue or shelter.
6. When any other animal is captured, it is to be released in a suitable location that it should not cause any nuisance to land owners or must be dealt with in compliance to any provincial or federal legislation.
7. If at any time it is found that a resident is not adhering to the conditions set out in this agreement, the service will be withdrawn immediately.
8. The borrower is responsible for the trap while in their possession. If the trap is not returned or if the trap is stolen or damaged in any way the borrower will be required to pay the actual cost of the replacement or repair of the trap.
9. The borrower hereby indemnifies Vulcan County from and against any and all claims and actions for damage, losses, expenses or claims of any nature to any person or property arising in any way whatsoever out of the use and operation of the cat trap received by the borrower.

I am a resident of Vulcan County and have read and agree to the terms and conditions as stated above.

Name of Borrower	(Print)		
House Address			
Telephone Number	Home:	Cell:	
Date and Time Trap Taken	Date:	Time:	
Deposit Taken	\$75.00	Trap Number	
Return By Date			

Signature of Borrower _____

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Trap Returned	Date:	Time:	
Condition			
Deposit Returned	Yes/No:		
Animal Trapped	Yes/No:	If Yes, How many?	

Signature of County Employee _____