

Why Removing Stray Cats Doesn't Work

While removing and relocating stray cats may seem like the easiest solution to resolving your stray cat issues, unfortunately this solution is ineffective. Stray cats that have been part of the TNVR programme should remain in their environment:

Cats are territorial animals and may try to return "home" during which they may encounter traffic or other accidents.

The presence of a stray cats will deter pests and other cats.

There is a concept in biology known as the "Vacuum Effect", which results in a temporary dip in population levels. Before long, the area fills back up due to reproduction.

Therefore, removing and relocating cats is not the recommended solution. Continuing to do TNVR and using humane deterrents will make a big difference in seeing real results overtime.

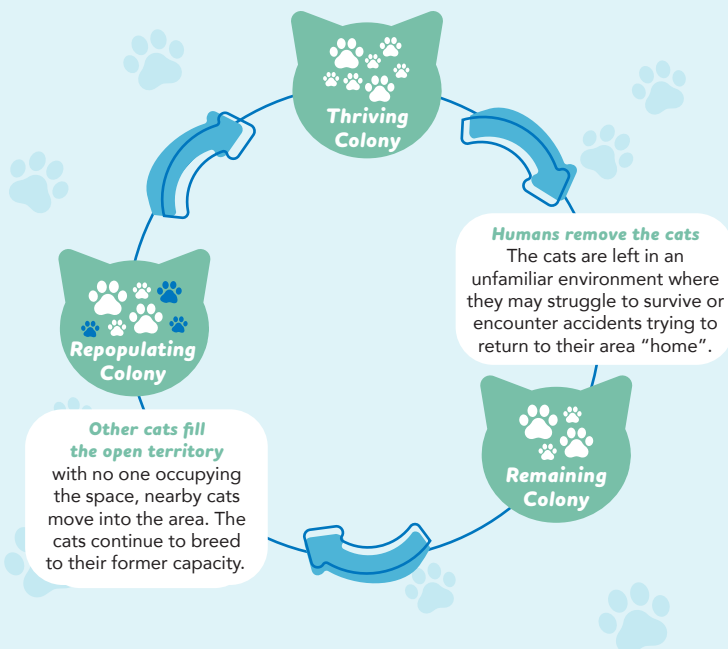


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The Vacuum Effect

The most commonly used approach has been to remove and relocate cats; however, the vacuum effect is why that doesn't work.



THANK YOU

Thank you for your cooperation and for choosing kind, humane solutions for stray cats in your community! Being kind to one stray animal won't change the world, but it will change the world for that animal.

Making kind choices helps everyone.



Call us!

800-555

TO REQUEST TNVR SERVICES.

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LIVING WITH STRAY CATS IN YOUR COMMUNITY



About Stray Cats

In general, stray cats are not owned by any single person. Stray cats may have colony caretakers who look after them by providing them with veterinary care, food, and water.

Stray cats are **sentient** beings should be treated with compassion.

Sentience means that animals can **experience positive and negative feelings**, such as joy, pain, and distress.

TNVR (Trap-Neuter-Vaccinate-Return)

is the single most effective and humane method to manage the stray cat population. Below is a summary of the TNVR process:

- 1 Traps are used to safely catch stray cats.
- 2 The stray cats shall be sterilized, vaccinated, microchipped, dewormed, and treated by a qualified veterinarian.
- 3 Stray cats shall be ear clipped to identify that they've been sterilized. The ear clip is on the left ear and does not hurt the cat.
- 4 After being cared for, the stray cats shall be returned to their trapping site.



With proper management, there are many benefits to TNVR, which include a decrease in the stray cat population and healthier cats.

Stray Cat Issues & Resolutions

There is currently a significant population of stray cats in Abu Dhabi, and in an effort to improve their welfare and reduce the population, it is important to use effective and humane solutions. Below are some problems and recommended solutions:



Fear

Stray cats will not intentionally harm people and do not usually pose a health risk to humans if they have gone through TNVR, since they have been vaccinated.

Behavior

Fighting, spraying, and noise from cats can be resolved through TNVR. Sterilizing cats can help prevent this unwanted behavior.



Cars



During colder weather, cats may climb on or in cars to stay warm. Park your car inside a closed garage or use a car cover. Ensure car windows and doors are fully closed and locked.

Too Many Cats

Cats must be sterilized to prevent overpopulation. For stray cats. TNVR can be requested via your respective municipality by calling 800-555. In addition, if you have an indoor-outdoor cat, sterilizing your cat at a local veterinary clinic will prevent unwanted litters and adding to the stray cat population.



Digging & Eliminating (Excrement)

Digging is a natural activity for cats; however, to prevent digging, you can use physical barriers. Humane physical barriers include lattice or plastic lattice fencing, carpet runners lightly covered in soil, plastic anti-dig spikes, and covering areas with large stones. Adding cinnamon to soil or sand can also help deter cats from digging.



Entering Property

Stray cats may enter your property, to access trash or food left by a member of the household. Ensure to securely close the trash at all times.

Other deterrents may be used, such as secure fencing, motion activated sprinklers, and safe scent repellents. Image shows one of many options for secure fencing that can prevent cats from entering a garden.

Safe scent repellents

Include, herb rue, citrus peels, cayenne pepper, coffee grounds, lavender oil, lemon grass oil, citronella oil, peppermint oil, eucalyptus oil, and mustard oil.