

# TNR Responsibility Agreement, Liability Waiver and Surgery Consent

The Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) program is the only method proven to be humane and effective at controlling outdoor cat population growth. Using this technique, all the cats in a colony are trapped, vaccinated, possibly treated for select injury or illness, neutered, ear-tipped for identification, and then **returned** to their territory. **The goal of any community cat management program is to maximize the quality of life for the cats and to eliminate the existing colony over time through attrition**

The Humane Society of Huron Valley (HSHV) uses qualified staffing and approved material for all procedures performed. This waiver will also cover any future cats you bring through HSHV's TNR program. Carefully read and understand all of the following before you sign your name.

I agree to the following terms:

1. I agree to a \$20 fee per cat in Washtenaw County and Plymouth (\$75 per cat for areas not listed), due upon arrival.
  - o Cat(s) will be spayed/neutered
    - If already sterilized, fee will go toward anesthesia/vaccine costs and will not be refunded
  - o Cat(s) will be ear tipped, no exceptions (included in surgery cost)
  - o Cat(s) will receive rabies vaccine (included in surgery cost)
2. I understand the cat must remain in a live trap due to temperament in order to have a safe surgery performed.
3. I understand that there is some risk of injury or death in the procedure and the use of anesthetics and drugs. If the cat is pregnant at the time of surgery, I understand that pregnancy will be terminated.
4. I agree that any cat who is medically untreatable or in severe or chronic pain will be humanely euthanized at the veterinarian's discretion while the cat is under anesthesia. I understand I will be notified post-euthanasia.
5. I understand that if a bite occurs during the cat's stay, HSHV will follow Washtenaw County's public health Rabies protocol.
6. I agree to pick the cat up the day after surgery is performed and return the cat to the location it was trapped for release.

OPTIONAL: By initialing, I agree to the following terms:

\_\_\_\_I give consent for HSHV staff and volunteers to perform trappings on my property and will inform neighbors of the program.

\_\_\_\_I request a FVRCP vaccination for each feline for an additional \$5 per cat.

\_\_\_\_If a cat is discovered to have a treatable injury or illness through short term medication or care, I authorize HSHV to treat at a maximum additional cost to me of \$\_\_\_\_\_ (must indicate, we cannot call you during surgery.)

By signing this waiver I acknowledge that feral cats are wild animals which can be unpredictable in their behavior and are capable of inflicting serious bodily injury. I willingly assume the risk and responsibility of participating in this program. I hereby release the Humane Society of Huron Valley, all veterinarians, assistants, volunteers, directors, and employees from any and all claims arising out of or connected with the performance of this program and procedure or any adverse reactions to vaccinations. I agree that I have not and will not claim any right of compensation from them, or file action by reason of such sterilizations or attempted sterilization of such animal or any consequences related thereto. Caregiver/agent hereby agrees to indemnify and hold the Humane Society of Huron Valley harmless for any damages caused during the transportation of the animal, or for any damages caused by unforeseeable events including fire, vandalism, burglary, extreme weather, natural disasters or other acts of God.

Signature

Print Name

Date