## THE BASICS OF TRAPPING FERAL CATS

### WITHHOLD ALL FOOD FROM ALL CATS FOR 48 HOURS PRIOR TO TRAPPING





#### THE BAIT

Use tuna in oil, canned chicken, or sardines. Mix the bait with a handful of dry kibble. Leaving the juice/oil and a few morsels in the mixing bowl, divide the bait and heap it on three flat paper plates. Do NOT use bowls. One can of bait will do for three traps.

Open the back door of the trap and spread the oil or juice from the bait on the trip pan. Put a few small pieces of bait at the far edge of the trip pan.

Close and lock the back door.



Lift the handle to test the door to make sure it is locked.



## 1,2,3 SET THE TRAP



## 1 PUSH IN

Push in the V-door and hold it in.



### 2 PULL UP

Raise the V-door to the top of the trap.



#### **3** SET THE TRIGGER

Push the trigger rod forward and set it on the brass roller. When you push the trigger rod forward, notice that the trip pan will raise, and the door will stay up on its own.



## PLACING THE TRAP AND THE BAIT

Place the trap. The best place is where the cats are normally fed.

Cats like to follow walls so placing the trap along a wall is good.



Take a paper plate heaped with bait, set it UNDER the back of the trap and push down until the bait squishes up and over the wire floor of the trap.



Leave a bait trail of crumbs and oil or juice leading into the trap and up to the trigger pan.

Then 1, 2, 3 set the trap.



# COVER THE TRAP AND KEEP IT COVERED!

Place a large towel over the trap. The towel gives a trapped cat a sense of security and will prevent panic and serious self-injury. Keep the towel on the trap at all times. Never take the towel off the trap until the cat is returned to its home.

NEVER LEAVE A TRAP UNATTENDED!

DO NOT TRAP AFTER 9 PM THE NIGHT BEFORE SURGERY.