

Fact Sheet – Cats

Does your Cat wander off your property? Are you affected by a nuisance Cat?

Noosa Council has received numerous complaints from the community about cats wandering onto other properties, urinating and defecating in yards, gardens, children's play areas/sand pits and even inside some houses. Wandering cats cause significant injury and death to wildlife and even fight causing injury to other cats not to mention the disturbance they cause by stimulating dogs to bark.

This is also particularly dangerous for the wandering cat as it may be attacked by dogs or trapped. Cat traps are set to capture feral cats but sometimes domestic animals are captured instead. This means that your cat may be impounded by Council and may lead to significant fees being charged to the owner (\$250) and may also result in an infringement notice (in excess of \$260) being issued.

Noosa Council encourages responsible pet ownership. Your pet is your responsibility. Please ensure your cat remains on your property by restricting it to the house or constructing suitable containment to prevent it from escaping and wandering.

If you are affected by a nuisance cat, please notify Council.

