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## Trapping Guidelines

- If you are trapping and have a voucher, have the voucher BEFORE you trap the cat. Vouchers have a 3 month expiration date from the date of issue. Vouchers can be extended if needed.
- If you are trapping for clinic, DO NOT TRAP before you have been granted spaces at clinic. One of the factors in scheduling is how many vets and volunteers we have for a clinic.
- The appointment date on the trap request form is for our use in trying to schedule issuing traps for our voucher caretakers. For example, an appointment for September 30 would not need a trap before an appointment for September 15.
- When filling out the trap request form online for clinic, please put the clinic date there. You MUST have received an email confirming your spaces for that clinic.
- The following procedure we have found to be the most helpful for our voucher caretakers:
  1. Purchase and receive the voucher
  2. Contact a participating vet to schedule an appointment a week or two out
  3. Request the trap
  4. Schedule trap pick up and pay the refundable deposit
  5. Trap the cat
  6. Trapped cat can be kept in a spare room, bathroom, or a climate-controlled garage
  7. Take cat to their appointment. Do not have a cat in a trap for more than 3 days
  8. Pick up cat from appointment and take back to a climate-controlled area for recovery
  9. Follow vet's advice for recovery time
  10. Release cat back into the area where you trapped
  11. Return trap and receive your deposit back