NEVADA Humane Society

TRAP - NEUTER - RETURN

Booking Guidelines

What is TNR?

Trap-Neuter-Return (TNR) is a humane approach to managing free-roaming cat populations. Cats are humanely trapped, spayed or neutered, and then returned to their original outdoor location.

TNR Helps:

- Prevent future litters.
- Reduce nuisance behaviors (fighting, spraying, yowling).
- Improve overall health of community cats.

Who Qualifies for TNR?

TNR is intended for free-roaming community cats, including:

- Cats who are not owned by an individual.
- Cats who may not be socialized to people.
- Cats living outdoors, often in colonies.
- To be admitted for surgery, cats must be at least 2 months old and 2 lbs.

Owned or indoor cats do not qualify for TNR services. For our owned S/N program please visit our website at nevadahumanesociety.org.

Appointment Information

Appointments are required.

- Surgeries are performed 6 days per week in Reno and once a week in Carson City.

To Book

Email: reception@nevadahumanesociety.org
Call: (775) 856-2000 ext. 312 or ext. 395

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Surgery Day Details

Location:

Reno Campus
2825 Longley Lane, Suite C, Reno, NV 89502
Clinic entrance is on the far right side of the building

Carson City Campus
549 Airport Road, Carson City, NV, 89701
Humane Enforcement Lobby

Drop-Off
Wed: 7:00 am - 8:15 am
Thurs - Mon: between 7:30 am - 8:15 am

Pick-Up
Same day, between 3:00 pm - 4:00 pm

Cost
$25 per cat, due at pick-up

Trap & Set-Up Requirements

- Cats must arrive in a humane trap only.
- Traps must be covered with a sheet or towel.
- No carriers, boxes, or bins will be accepted.
- Traps are available for rent through Nevada Humane Society.

Inside the Trap

- Use paper or plastic dishes only (no glass or ceramic).
- Place a towel or sheet inside the trap to support a safe and comfortable recovery.

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Post Surgery Care

Post Surgery Care, Recovery & Release

Post-surgery cats should:

- Recover inside their traps.
- Be released the day after surgery.
- kept in a safe, quiet, temperature-controlled area.
- Be kept away from people and other animals.
- Be protected from the weather.
- NOT be transported in a trunk or any non-temperature-controlled space.

During Recovery

- It is recommended to hold cats overnight to allow anesthesia to fully wear off, and release the day following surgery
- Provide food and water

If you are unable to hold overnight, only release the cat once they are fully alert.

When Releasing:

- Return the cat to the exact location where they were trapped the following day.
- Release later in the evening when it is quiet.

Important Reminder:

- Returning cats to their original location is a critical part of TNR. This allows them to:
  - Reestablish their territory.
  - Continue living safely in a familiar environment.