

Operation Catnip Peterborough: Trapper

We need sensible, patient people who understand the purpose and limitations of Trap-Neuter-Return and are willing to work within our mandate.

The feral and abandoned cats we serve can seldom be handled like fully socialized cats. For the safety and protection of everyone involved, including vet techs, vets, trappers and the cats themselves, these animals must be trapped and transported in cages (traps).

Our Trapping Coordinator interviews Colony Caregivers. If all requirements are met, trappers will be contacted by the Trapping Coordinator for details. Trapping only happens on private property at the invitation of the Caregiver. We never trap on public property or in random locations.

Training and mentoring is provided!

DUTIES:

- Receive trapping information from Trapping Coordinator.
- Visit the caregiver at a prearranged time and review trapping arrangements using the Caregiver Agreement.
- Assess appropriate locations for trapping and set up traps.
- Provide instructions to Caregiver.

NOTE: Our traps are specially designed for the humane trapping, transport, and care of cats. Trappers never directly handle the animals.

REQUIREMENTS:

- Blocks of time available to trap (retirees welcome!).
- Ability to carry a 10lb cage with the weight of a cat inside.
- Reliable vehicle and valid driver's license.
- Willingness to travel throughout Peterborough and sometimes within a 20-minute driving radius in good weather.
- This is a volunteer position. We are occasionally gifted gas cards to assist our volunteers with costs, but we hope that you will have the satisfaction of helping us and the cats!

If you would like to discuss the trapping process with an experienced OC volunteer before making a decision, please leave a message on the <u>website</u>, message OC'S <u>Facebook page</u> or call our monitored phone number: 705-760-9055.