

Cat's Name _____

Trapper's Name _____

Phone # _____

Post-operative Feral Cat Care Instructions

1. Dissolvable sutures are placed under the skin making suture removal unnecessary and could take anywhere up to 6 months to dissolve. _____
2. Following surgery, the patient(s) may seem a bit sleepy and off-balance. Cats should be kept in a relaxed and calm setting as they recover from surgery/anesthesia. _____
3. The patient may cough over the next few days in reaction to having a tracheal tube inserted during surgery. _____
4. If possible, patient should be provided with water and food inside trap/carrier overnight. _____
5. For male cats, there are no sutures used; 2 slits are made over the scrotum. Most male cats fully recover the day after surgery. _____
6. Male patients may have 1 or 2 incisions if cryptorchid (retained testicle). The testicle(s) will be removed from the closest location possible. _____
7. As stated in the surgical consent form, please be aware that due to the fractious nature of feral cats, ADL veterinary staff is unable to safely handle or examine feral cats post operatively. _____
8. All feral cats that are brought in for surgery will receive an ear notch on their left ear and a green tattoo near their surgery site to indicate the pet has been sterilized. _____

Please feel free to call the ADL hospital with any questions or concerns during regular business hours of 9 am to 5 pm at 210-655-1481 ext. 104, 112, or 106. Do not allow any concern to linger or last more than one day. ADL will not be responsible for issues that could have been prevented by the wearing of an E-collar.

SIGNATURE _____

DATE _____