



#### COMPANION CATS DEPEND ON THEIR OWNERS FOR PROTECTION

The new Cat Act 2011 requires you to:

- Sterilise. All cats must be sterilised from six months of age.
- Microchip. All cats must have a microchip to ensure they have permanent identification.
- Register. All cats must be registered with their local council from six months of age.
- Wear a collar and tag. All cats must wear a collar with their registration tag whenever they are not in their own property.
- Breeding permits. All owners wishing to breed cats must have a licence issued by their local council.



Please contact the Melville Rangers on **1300 635 845.** 

Any lost, found or un-owned cats are taken to a cat management facility at the Cat Haven.



#### CAT HAVEN (08) 9442 3620

23 Lemnos Street SHENTON PARK WA 6008

The Cat Haven is open seven days a week. Weekdays: 11.00am to 4.30pm. Weekends and public holidays: 11.00am to 4.00pm. Surrenders: from 11.00am to 3.00pm.



# Information about YOUR CAT



#### STERILISATION

- Last year thousands of healthy, excess cats and kittens were destroyed in Perth alone.
- Stray male cats can roam hundreds of hectares marking their territory and hunting and scavenging for food.
- Sterilised cats are healthier, live longer and are less of a nuisance to the community.
- Sterilised cats are marked with a tattoo in the ear.

## MICROCHIP

Many lost or injured cats never find their homes simply because they have no identification.

- Microchiping is now a requirement under the new Cat Act 2011.
- The chip is placed by a vet under the skin at the nape of the neck.
- The chip information is available on a nation wide data base.

If your cat becomes lost, contact your local council and the Cat Haven, speak to your neighbours, vets and if you have lost your cat, it may have lost its identification.

### COLLARS AND TAGS

All cats are now required to wear a collar and their council registration tag.

- Whenever your cat is not confined to your property it needs to be wearing its collar and registration tag. This will ensure that it will not be mistaken for a stray or un-owned cat.
- Stretch collars and quick release clasp collars are suitable for most cats.



### REGISTRATION

- As of 1 November 2013 all cats need to be registered with their local council.
- Registration forms need to be accompanied with your cat's sterilisation certificate and their microchip certificate.
- You can purchase registration for:
  - One year
  - Three years
  - Lifetime registration
- Discounts are available for pensioners.

## BREEDERS

Any person wanting to breed cats are now required to apply for a licence from their local council.

- Application forms need to be submitted to your Local Council.
- Once approval has been granted a Breeders Permit is issued, valid for 1 year.