



City of
Melville

Rules & Management

The Cat Act 2011 requires:



All cats **must be sterilised** from six months of age.



All cats **must have a microchip** to ensure they have permanent identification.



All cats **must be registered** with their local council from six months of age.



All cats **must wear a collar with their registration tag** whenever they are not in their own property.



All owners wishing to breed cats must have a licence issued by their local council.

Lost & Found

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 City of South Perth Animal Care Facility.

City of South Perth Animal Care Facility

9474 0777

enquiries@southperth.wa.gov.au

Open Wednesday to Sunday 12-2pm. Due to a capacity limit at this venue it is advised you make an appointment to visit the Animal Care Facility.



Information about Your Cat



For more information, visit

www.melvillecity.com.au/cats or call **9364 0666** or call Rangers after hours on **0418 943 219.**

Collars & Tags

All cats are 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.



Sterilisation

Sterilisation is a requirement under the Cat Act 2011

Sterilised cats are healthier, live longer and are less of a nuisance to the community.

Pets are less prone to wander, fight, and are less likely to get lost or injured.

Reduces territorial behaviour such as spraying indoors.

Benefits of keeping cats contained

We encourage you to keep your cat contained within your property boundaries, not only to reduce hunting but also to help protect your cat. Keeping your cat contained will help ensure harmony for everyone – you, your cat, neighbours and local wildlife.

By keeping your cat safe at home you:

Reduce the risk of them becoming lost or injured (e.g., hit by a car or attacked by a dog)

Reduce the risk of them getting into cat fights and having cat fight-related injuries (e.g., abscesses) and catching infectious diseases such as FIV (Feline Immunodeficiency Virus)

Give them a better chance to enjoy a longer and healthier life.

Saves you money on vet bills.

Minimise the risk they will harm or kill other animals, including native wildlife.

Enjoy more quality time together.

Avoid problems with your neighbours.

Registrations

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.

Microchipping

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

Microchipping is a requirement under the 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, speak to your neighbours, vets and if you have lost your cat, it may have lost its identification.