



Safety Concerns

Animal Welfare Concerns

Keeping animals safe is a community responsibility.

If you see or suspect animal cruelty, neglect, or welfare concerns, it is important to report it.

Who to Contact



Ranger Services – 9168 4100
mail@swek.wa.gov.au www.swek.wa.gov.au/

RSPCA – for concerns about cruelty, neglect, or mistreatment



Police – for urgent matters, dangerous situations, or if an animal is in immediate danger

Reporting concerns helps ensure animals receive the care and protection they need.

Working Together for a Safer Community

The Shire of Wyndham East Kimberley is committed to encouraging responsible pet ownership. By following the Cat Act 2011, you help keep your cat safe, protect our native wildlife, and reduce the number of stray and feral animals.

Lost Cats

Check the Ranger Services Facebook page, or Contact the Shire and report them missing.

Fees may apply for seizure, registration, micro-chipping, and other infringements.



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Responsible Pet Ownership Cats

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Cat Ownership Requirements

Once your cat reaches **6 months of age**, you are required to:

Sterilise Your Cat

- Prevents unwanted kittens and helps control the population of stray and feral cats
- Health benefits: reduces the risk of certain cancers, infections, and behavioral issues
- Promotes longer, happier lives for your cat

Microchip Your Cat

- Permanent identification for your cat, even if collars or tags are lost
- Quickly reunites lost cats with their owners
- Helps Rangers identify unowned or feral cats, supporting wildlife protection efforts
- Microchips are painless and safe, done by your local veterinarian

Register Your Cat

- Registration links your cat to your details with the Shire
- Ensures your cat can be returned safely if lost or impounded
- Demonstrates responsible ownership and compliance with the law
- Helps the Shire manage cat populations and plan community support programs

How to Register

Contact the Shire to complete a registration form.

Pay the registration fee.

Receive your Cats registration tag.

Online registration is available.

Registration Fees:

Duration	Fee
1 Year	\$20.00
3 Years	\$42.50
Lifetime	\$100.00

Renewal Dates

Fees renewed **1st November** annually

Half fees apply from **1st May – 31st October**

Limit of 3 Cats Per Household

Permission is required if you wish to own more than 3 cats. If you wish to keep more than three cats, you must apply for a Multiple Cat Permit.

How to Apply for a Permit

You can submit your application online through the **Shire's website** or **in person at the Shire office**.

The Impact of Cats on Wildlife

- Cats are natural hunters, and even well-fed pets will hunt birds, reptiles, and small mammals.
- Feral and stray cats pose a serious threat to native wildlife, including endangered species.
- Reducing roaming cats through registration, micro-chipping, and confinement helps protect our fragile ecosystem.
- By controlling feral and wandering cats, we can preserve biodiversity and reduce local wildlife decline.

Feral & Stray Cats

One female cat can produce over 100 kittens in her lifetime!

Feral cats threaten native wildlife and may carry diseases

Registering, micro-chipping, and sterilising reduces feral cat numbers.

If you are experiencing issues with wandering or feral cats, you can hire a humane cat trap from the Shire to safely capture them.