

The person who normally feeds the cats should trap the cats. They need to be around watching on the day that the traps are set.

Place 2 traps in the area where the feral cats are fed. Don't set them.

Do this for 3-4 days to get them used to the traps being there.

Put food inside the trap on the second day and repeat on days 3 and 4.

Put the food a bit further inside the trap each day

On the day that you want to trap them, don't put food anywhere else - just in the trap.

Put newspaper underneath the trap. Put the food on this so that, when you pick up the trap, the food is left behind. Don't use bowls.

Use a nice-smelling food, such as tuna.

Once trapped - take the cats straight to the vet. Cover the cage with a blanket or towel to calm them down.

Vet will anaesthetise and operate, then put the cat back in the trap while it's still asleep.

The cat needs to be kept overnight, either by the vet or someone with a garage or shed.

Let them out the following morning, in the same area that they came from.

The vet should give them a 2 week antibiotic injection called CONVENIA.

Soluble stitches.

If a male cat is trapped, they can quickly be castrated.

Kittens are usually born in November, so needs to be done before or after then.