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City Council

# Keeping your cat safe and on your property

**Does your pet cat enjoy escaping and roaming the streets?  
Did you know that cats can roam up to 3km in one night?**

Cats escape their homes for many different reasons, but ultimately keeping your cat confined is your responsibility as its owner.

**If your cat does often escape and roam it risks the following:**

- Being hit by cars and suffering injuries or death
- Being attacked by other roaming animals
- Contracting diseases by fighting or mating with other roaming cats
- Killing wildlife
- Getting lost
- Being picked up by strangers and never returned
- Being picked up by Council and taken to the pound
- If your cat is not desexed our unowned cat population will continue to increase

## **You might risk being fined**

If your cat trespasses onto other people's property or is picked up by Council, you may receive a fine. Fees are payable to reclaim your cat.

**'Do you know that just one undesexed female cat and her offspring can produce up to 5,000 cats in seven years?'**

*Sourced from RSPCA*

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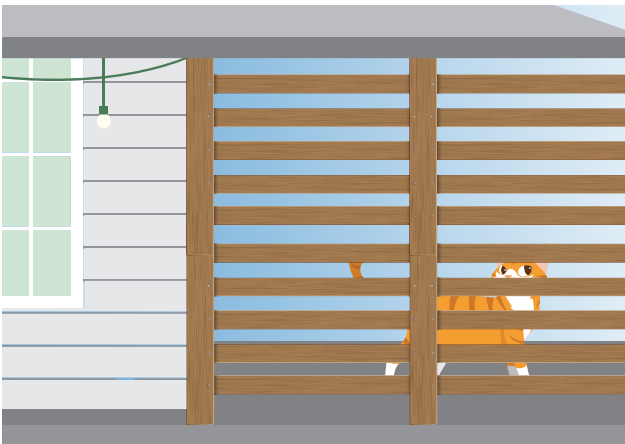
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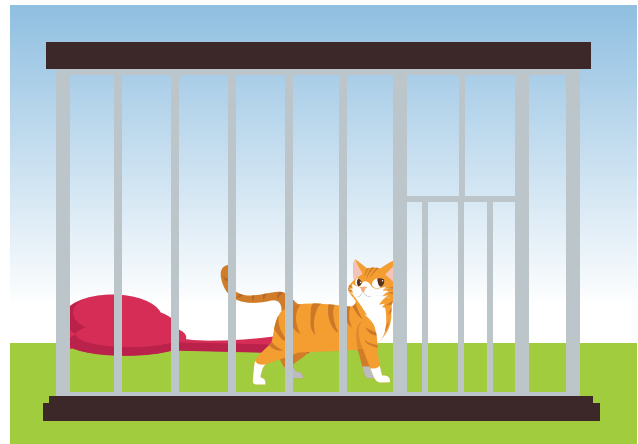
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## Hints to confining your cat

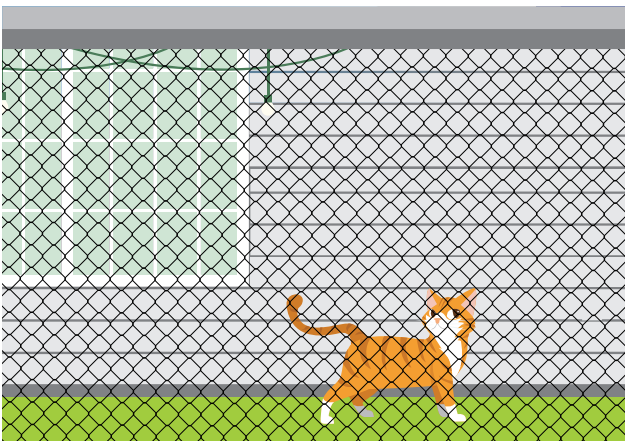
- Different kinds of animal enclosures can be used outdoors to ensure your cat has fresh air and adequate room to move.
  - Verandas and side yards can be enclosed for your cat's enjoyment. Open an adjoining window when you are home and your cat will have the best of both worlds.
  - Install an incline to the top of the fence to prevent your cat climbing over. You can also use a tube called a "Coyote Roller". This stops your cat from getting a grip on the top of your fence to climb over.
  - You can D.I.Y or have someone else build it for you. Why not Google the different kinds of cat enclosures.
  - Here are some websites to get you started:
    - » [Catmax.com.au](http://Catmax.com.au)
    - » [Secureakat.com.au](http://Secureakat.com.au)
    - » [Catnets.com.au](http://Catnets.com.au)
    - » [Catsofaustralia.com](http://Catsofaustralia.com)
- To learn more about your responsibilities as a pet owner visit [moreland.vic.gov.au](http://moreland.vic.gov.au)



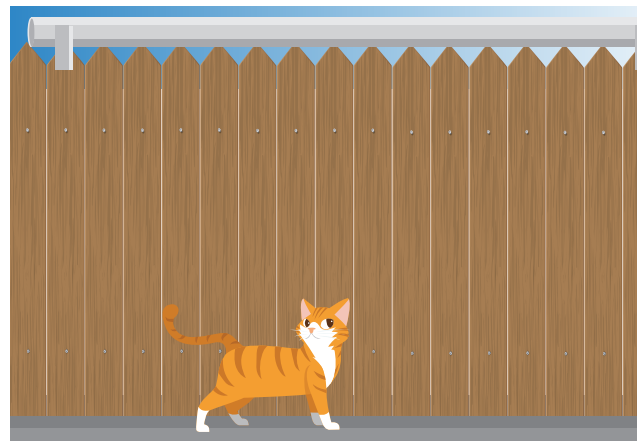
Enclose part of your verandah



Use animal enclosures



Enclose a side of a yard with netting



Install an incline or rollers