



# MY CAT IS MISSING! WHAT SHOULD I DO?

## DON'T WAIT

Begin searching **NOW**, and then keep searching in the evening when it is quieter.

- Don't wait and hope the cat will return; you need to be proactive.
- Get help from friends, family; take time off work if necessary.
- Keep searches calm and quiet, if the cat is seen, have searchers call you rather than give chase.
- Walk around the neighborhood shaking treats and softly calling the cat's name.
- Use daylight hours to scope out likely hiding spots, put up posters and talk to neighbours.
- When it's dark, take a flashlight to shine under bushes or cars and look for the reflection of the cats' eyes.
- Search at dusk and again after dark. (from 11 p.m. to 2 a.m.)
- **DON'T GIVE UP** – it can sometimes take several weeks for your cat to make it home.

## SET A LIVE TRAP

- Sometimes a trap baited with a smelly food (like fresh fish or fried chicken) is the quickest and safest way to capture a lost cat.
- Contact us at [info@SaltSpringCat.com](mailto:info@SaltSpringCat.com) to borrow a humane trap. We can provide traps, cameras and tips for trapping your cat.

## HELP YOUR KITTY STAY NEARBY

- Put a dish of water and your cat's favorite food on your porch or back step.
- Consider leaving a window open if you think your cat is likely to go back into the house.
- Leave an article of your unwashed clothing on the porch/back step.
- Put dirty litter box outside the home so that your cat can find the scent of home.
- Consider using a Trail or Nest camera to keep watch and see if your cat comes back when you are asleep!



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