

CAT SOCIALIZATION FLOW CHART

PREPARE SECURE ENRICHMENT ROOM

GATHER SUPPLIES: CAT CARRIER, TREATS, TOYS, AND TOWELS, ETC.

FROM OUTSIDE THE KENNEL, ASSESS F-A-S LEVEL (0-5)

IF FAS LEVEL 0-1

- SLOWLY OPEN KENNEL AND APPROACH
- OFFER HAND AND PETS IF RECEPTIVE

CAREFULLY PICK UP CAT AND PLACE IN CARRIER FOR TRANSPORT

IF FAS LEVEL 2-3

- SLOWLY OPEN KENNEL AND APPROACH
- OFFER HAND TO GREET CAT
- +/- PETS IF RECEPTIVE

USING THE SUPERMAN TOWEL WRAP, CAREFULLY REMOVE CAT AND PLACE IN CARRIER

IF FAS LEVEL 4-5

- CAREFULLY PLACE FERAL CAT BOX OR CARRIER INSIDE KENNEL SO THE CAT MAY ENTER ON ITS OWN

- SECURE CAT IN BOX/CARRIER
- COVER WITH TOWEL AND CAREFULLY REMOVE FROM KENNEL

TRANSPORT TO ENRICHMENT ROOM USING TWO-HAND TECHNIQUE

REASSESS BEHAVIOR AND FAS

FAS 0-1

- OPEN CARRIER
- OFFER HAND AND GREET CAT
- USE GENTLING TECHNIQUES TO GET THE CAT USED TO YOU
- USE TREATS, TOYS, AND PETS TO ENRICH CAT AS MUCH OR AS LITTLE AS THEY PREFER

FAS 2-3

- REMOVE FROM CARRIER USING SUPERMAN TOWEL WRAP
- USE GENTLING TECHNIQUES TO GET THE CAT USED TO YOU
- LOOSEN THE TOWEL WRAP IF THEY BECOME MORE RELAXED AND WILLING TO INTERACT
- +/- TREATS AND TOYS

FAS 4-5

- ALLOW CAT TO SIT IN CARRIER FOR 5 MINUTES WHILE SPEAKING SOFTLY TO THEM
- CAREFULLY REMOVE CAT USING THE SUPERMAN TOWEL WRAP
- UTILIZE THE BUNDLE & BOND TECHNIQUE

ALL SOCIALIZATION SESSIONS SHOULD LAST 15-20 MINUTES MINIMUM ASSUMING THINGS GO WELL. THIS SHOULD BE DONE DAILY FOR ALL CATS TO DECREASE STRESS BEHAVIORS AND IMPROVE THEIR WELFARE WHILE AT THE SHELTER