

TNR the Town

Feral Colony Feeding Guidelines

Feeding your cats year-round at a regular time will keep them healthy and strong. Here are some things to keep in mind when you're feeding the kitties:

- Adult cats eat **about half a cup of dry food** daily. Cats' needs vary though, so adjust to how much you see them actually eating in a reasonable period of time.
- If the cats eat all the food in **15 minutes or less**, they may need more. If there's always food left **after 30 minutes**, you might be giving them too much.
- You can give wet food as a treat, but do not mix wet food with the dry food.
- Don't leave uneaten food out for more than 30 minutes—it attracts bugs and other animals.
- Keep the feeding area clean and in one maintained location—it's better for the cats' health and the community. Always remove the food dishes but leave water.
- Provide fresh water daily.
- Don't worry if some cats **eat before others**. Felines with seniority in the cat community may eat before others who are lower on the social scale. You shouldn't try to manage this interaction. It's a cat thing.
- When daylight savings approaches, **feed the cats 10 minutes earlier or later** (depending on spring or fall) every day for a week. The cats will adjust and you can resume your schedule.
- Please respect the community and property owners. Keep the feeding area neat, never leave food, dishes (except for water), or other trash. Always ask permission from residents or businesses before setting up a feeding station.



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