

I'VE FOUND A CAT/KITTEN

IMMEDIATE ACTION

Access the situation with the method **CASA** method:

CONDITION

Are they in a condition where they look healthy and like they're being cared for or are they unwell?

AGE

Are they mobile or old enough to be away from mum?

SITUATION

Are they in a safe or dangerous environment?

ABILITY

Do you have the ability to take them from their current situation and give them the help they need or get them to someone who can?

The basics are food, shelter, access to healthcare and desexing.

If they're unwell take them to your local vet, SPCA or rescue as soon as possible. Signs to look for are:

- 🐾 **Wounds and injury**
- 🐾 **Difficulty breathing**
- 🐾 **Coloured discharge from eyes and or nose**
- 🐾 **High/low temperature**
- 🐾 **Unresponsiveness**

For a more comprehensive guide on the CASA method check out this amazing resource!
<http://www.kittenlady.org/casa>

I CAN HOLD THEM

Secure them in a safe environment while you make a plan. Set them up with the basics:

- 🐾 **Food**
- 🐾 **Water (not milk)**
- 🐾 **A litterbox**
- 🐾 **Bedding**
- 🐾 **A heat source**
- 🐾 **Shelter**

Take to your local vet to scan for a microchip. If they're chipped and registered the clinic will contact their guardians.

If not, you can look on their behalf.

Start checking by:

- 🐾 **Door knocking around neighbours**
- 🐾 **Posting on community notice boards, both online and in public spaces**
- 🐾 **Printing flyers**

Tips: Animals must legally advertised for 7 days before making a personal claim or rehoming.

Keep them separate from existing animals until you're confident they don't have underlying health conditions.

If in doubt, take them to your local clinic for a health check.

I CAN'T HOLD THEM

If you're unable to hold them, reach out to your local SPCA and animal Rescues.

Explain their situation in the best detail you can. Relay any history they've had in your care.

Be kind. Rescues are run by volunteers who are doing what they can around their day to day lives.

With more abandoned animals than there are homes, Rescues are often at capacity. If you'd like to care for the kitten/cat ask about signing up as a foster or if your local rescue has any resources to share to get you started.

Moggies offers community support packages where we have the resources to share. These include a basic set up of pens/crates, bedding, toys, flea/worm treatments and food to get you started.

If you're having trouble securing the cat in question contact the team to borrow a trap or scanner.

