



Extreme Cold Care While Cats are Caged

The cats will not be able to get out of the cage to a warmer spot in the barn. It is up to the Care Giver to ensure that the cats are kept reasonably warm while caged for the relocation period.

Suggestions:

1. Have a heater pointed at the cages.
2. Place sheets or blankets around the cages to block drafts.
3. Some barns have heat lamps for the horses. Put one pointed at the cat cages.
4. Ensure that the cages do not get wet. If bedding gets wet, the cat will not be able to get warm.
5. Put an extra sheet, towel, or blanket in the cage that the cat can get under.
6. Cover the hiding box with a sheet or towel.

As a last resort, release the cats if they look stressed. Open the cage doors and leave them standing open. It is better to release early than have them get sick or die in the cage.

Extreme Heat Care While Cats are Caged

Cats can have a heat stroke just like humans. If the eyes are glassy and the cat is unresponsive, you need to take action. Also the cat might be throwing up or panting heavily.

Suggestions:

1. Have a fan pointed at the cat cage at all times.
2. You can freeze plastic bottles of water and place them in the cage. Put it as close to the hiding box area as you can.
3. Ensure the water containers are always full and the water fresh.
4. Put pieces of ice in the waterer and toss some into their bed area.
5. Pour or spray cool water over the cat.
6. Take the cat out of the cage and place it in a cooler place in the barn.
7. Take the cat into air conditioning, if available.

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