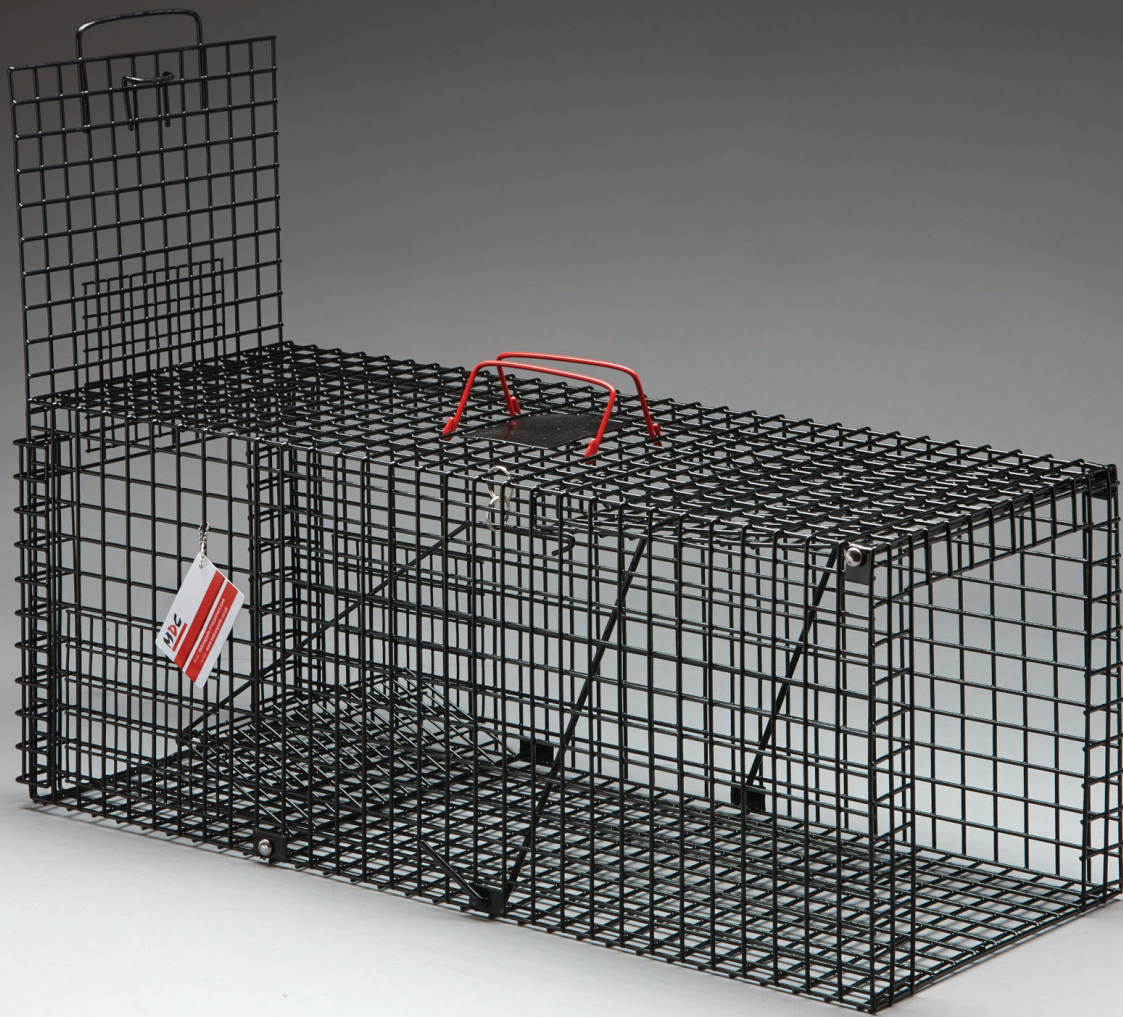




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Instructions for the **MDC PF Cat Trap**

A178-359

Introduction

The PF Cat Trap is a self-activating trap, which closes automatically when a cat enters and stands on the treadle plate. The treadle plate is linked to a release rod allowing the trap-door and locking bar to drop into place to secure the cat for temporary confinement. MDC highly recommend that traps are monitored and checked at least every 2 hours.

Operation - Fig. 1

Raise the end door A and place a quantity of suitable bait adjacent to the treadle plate B. Lower the end door A back into place.

Ensure that rod C is positioned through the bottom of the 8 ring.

With the aid of the external lever D, raise the locking bar until it touches the roof of the trap.

Hold the locking bar in position and raise the trap-door.

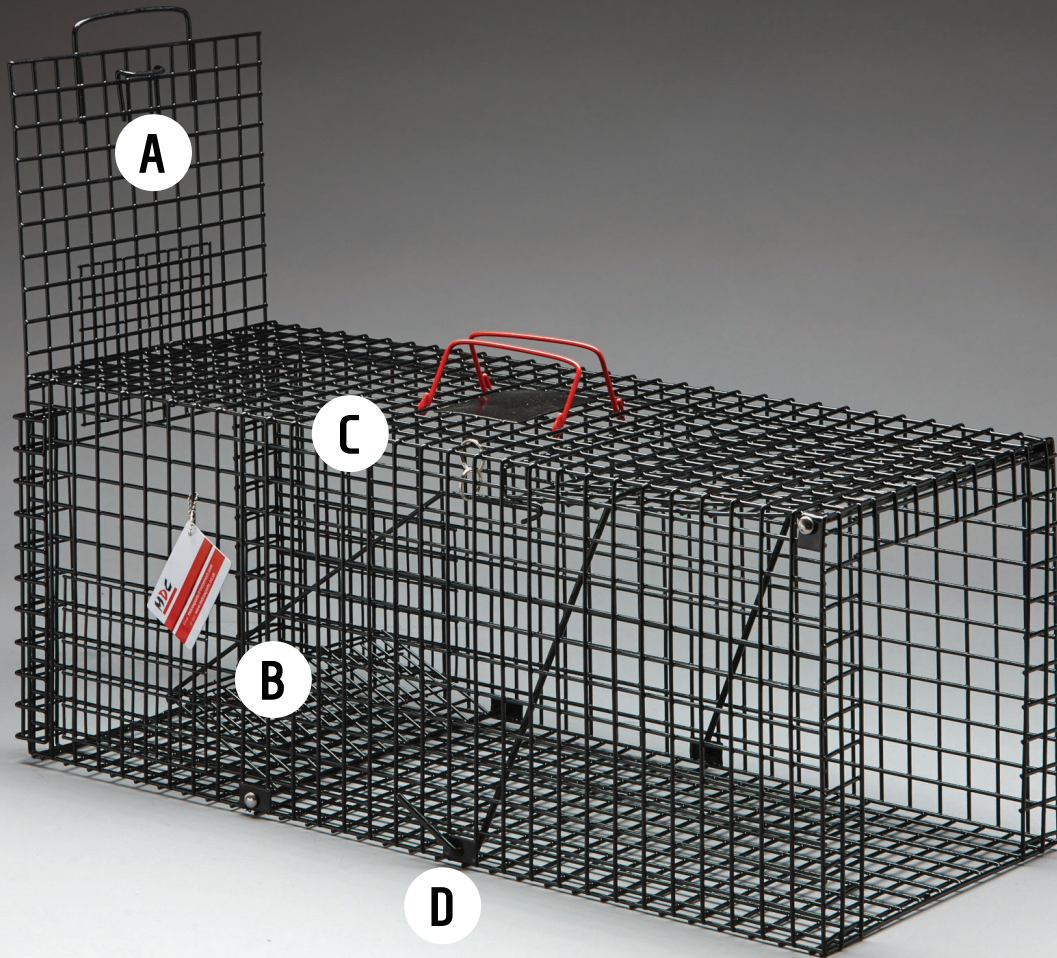
Lift rod C and place under the trap door. Simply rest the door on top of the rod. The trap is now set.

Transferring the cat

Position the trap-door end of the PF Cat Trap against a solid surface. An MDC Trap Transfer basket (A236-354H) is butted up adjacent to the other end door. Both this end door and the TTB end door are raised allowing the cat to be transferred without physical handling. Covering the Trap Transfer basket (MDC cover A236-354D) will also encourage a faster transfer, as the cat is more likely to seek out the darker area for security.



FIG. 1



Trapping tips

Practice using the trap (and transfer technique) until you are familiar with it.

Traps should be located where the cats are normally fed. Work with local cat feeders and recruit them as allies/helpers.

Bait the unset trap and allow the cat/s to eat from the trap for several days.

Set traps should be monitored and checked every two hours. Such checks avoid having the cat being held captive too long and also provides an opportunity to ensure that the trap has not been accidentally sprung or interfered with.

Be aware of the cats welfare and minimise stress wherever possible.



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Maintenance of the trap

Keep the trap clean. Periodically lubricate all hinge points and release pin with oil or light grease.

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