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In exercise of the powers conferred by section 88 of the Animals Act (2024 Revision), the Cabinet makes the following Order —

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**Citation**

1. This Order may be cited as the Animals (Exemption for Purposes of Conservation) Order, 2025.

**Definitions**

2. In this Order —

“**cat**” means a cat of the species *Felis catus*;

“**feral cat**” means a cat that —

- (a) is living in the wild; and
- (b) does not have an identifiable owner who controls its movement and provides shelter, food, water and veterinary care;

“**pound**” means a pound established in accordance with section 50 of the Act; and

“**poundkeeper**” means a person appointed as a poundkeeper in accordance with section 50 of the Act.

**Exemption from the application of section 60 of the Act**

3. (1) For the purposes of conservation, a person referred to in subparagraph (2) is exempt from the application of section 60 of the Act to the extent that the person drives, leads or entices a feral cat or a stray cat into a place with intent to impound or procure the impounding of the feral cat or the stray cat at a pound for feral cats and stray cats, which is —
- (a) located in Grand Cayman or Cayman Brac; and
  - (b) operated by the department of Government responsible for agriculture.
- (2) For the purposes of subparagraph (1), the following persons are exempt —
- (a) the Director or any other member of staff of the department of Government responsible for agriculture;
  - (b) the Director or any other member of staff of the department of Government responsible for the environment; and
  - (c) any other person, subject to the requirement that the person acts in accordance with —
    - (i) any guidance notes issued by the National Conservation Council under section 3(12)(h) of the *National Conservation Act, 2013*; and
    - (ii) any procedures issued by the Director of the department of Government responsible for the environment under section 6(2)(k) of the *National Conservation Act, 2013*.

**Exemption from the application of section 63 of the Act**

4. (1) For the purposes of conservation, a poundkeeper is exempt from the requirement under section 63 of the Act to put an impounded animal up for sale by public auction, where that animal is a feral cat or a stray cat.
- (2) Where further to subparagraph (1) a poundkeeper does not put an animal up for sale by public auction, the condition to put up an animal for sale referred to in regulation 2(1) of the *Animals (Disposal) Regulations, 1997* does not apply.



**Expiry**

5. This Order expires four years after the date on which it is published in the *Gazette*.

**Made in Cabinet the 22nd day of December, 2025.**

**Kim Bullings**  
*Clerk of the Cabinet*