

Islam Question & Answer

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8804 - Killing animals which have become a nuisance

the question

In our building there is a feral cat. Is it permissible to kill it?

Detailed answer

Praise be to Allah.

If a cat or similar animal is known to be a nuisance and aggressive, and a man kills it when it is acting aggressively for his own protection, he does not owe any compensation for doing so. It is like when a man kills an attacker in self-defence. And Allaah knows best.