Lime Sulfur Dip Protocol

- Wear rubber gloves and a protective plastic apron.
- Dilute the lime sulfur to a concentration of 8oz per gallon warm water. (note: this is twice the recommended concentration listed on the bottle).
- Do not pre-wet the cat.
- Place cat in a shallow plastic tub and gently restrain.
- Use a spray bottle or garden sprayer with a fine mist setting for dip application. Be sure to keep sprayer end close to the cat's skin when applying.
- Work the dip into the coat with your hands.
- Use a small rag or sponge to apply solution on face, nose and ears.
- Use of ophthalmic lubrication ointment to protect the cat's eyes is not recommended because if the solution gets into the eye it can be very difficult to remove if it is mixed with lubricant. Instead, keep eye flush handy and flush generously if solution gets into cat's eye.
- Do not rinse the cat after solution application
- Wrap the animal in a towel and leave to dry.
- Apply dip twice weekly throughout treatment.
- Safe to use on pregnant and nursing animals and kittens > 2-3 weeks old.
- Wipe nursing moms' teats clean after topical treatment; keep juveniles warm with warming blankets or bags if necessary.
- E-collar afterward is not necessary.

Please note: physically dipping cats in the lime sulfur solution is not recommended as this is stressful to the cats (and staff) and can lead to cross contamination between cats being treated if the same lime sulfur dip solution is used on multiple cats.