

Please read and follow the steps outlined to prepare your pet for surgery. This information is provided with your pet's safety in mind.

No food after 10 pm the day before surgery.

Your pet may have water the day before and the morning of surgery.

Drop off your pet between 7:30-8:30 am on the day of surgery and allow 10-15 minutes check in time.

You may call after 3:00 pm to obtain your pet's condition and tentative release time.

HOSPITAL/SURGICAL INFORMATION

Preparation-The skin surrounding the surgical area will be clipped and scrubbed with an antiseptic. Equipment used will be sterilized, and surgery personnel will antiseptically scrub and wear gloves, masks, gowns and caps during the operation.

A pre-operative blood panel will be run to evaluate kidney and liver functions as well as checking for anemia and dehydration.

Your pet will also have an IV catheter placed and receive fluids during their surgery. This helps the body metabolize the anesthesia more easily. (For routine feline neuters an IV catheter placement and fluids will not be required.)

Fur on one or more limbs will be shaved to allow for sterile IV catheter placement.

Heart (EKG and Blood Pressure)/Respiration/Temperature- Monitoring of these functions will occur during the operation.

Your pet will be hospitalized before and after the surgery and receive one dose of pain meds postoperatively when deemed necessary by the doctor.

Additional pain medications will be sent home when deemed necessary by the doctor.

Anesthesia- Local or general anesthesia may be used. Some risk is involved, depending upon the general condition of your pet, age, etc. Surgery may occur as scheduled or be delayed, depending upon the determination after presurgical examination and bloodwork.

A technician will continuously monitor your pet after surgery.

POST SURGICAL CARE

Both staff and doctor will check on your pet routinely during the hospital stay, and again just prior to discharge. We will meet with you before taking your pet home, and give you post surgical information. If you wish to discuss this only with the doctor, please make advance arrangements.