



## SURGICAL INFORMATION SHEET

We know that surgery can be a stressful time for owners and their pets, and we have put together some information to try to help the process go as smoothly as possible.

- Prior to anesthesia, we require a pre-anesthetic blood profile. This helps to identify issues like anemia, infection, diabetes, and liver or kidney disease that can make the procedure more risky for your pet. This is typically done the day of surgery, but you can bring your pet in prior to the surgery day to have this done as well. If you have a senior pet, or if the pet has medical issues, we may require a more comprehensive blood profile. You will be notified of this prior to the procedure. For cats, we also recommend that they have had a recent feline leukemia/FIV test. These are viruses that impact the immune system and can significantly affect your animal's ability to recover from surgery.
- Your animal should be dropped off by 8:30 AM the morning of the procedure. Any animals dropped off after this time may have to be rescheduled for another day. If it is difficult for you to do this, we can make arrangements for the animal to come in the night before.
- The night before surgery:
  - WITHHOLD ALL FOOD AND TREATS AFTER 9PM**
  - Water may be left down until the morning of surgery**
  - If your pet is taking any medication, please consult with us about whether to administer it the morning of surgery**
- We do ask you to leave us a contact number where you can be reached the day of surgery. That way, if any questions arise, it will not result in a delay or even cancellation of the surgery for that day.
- You are welcome to contact us at any time during the day of your pet's procedure, however we do ask that you allow us enough time for the procedure to be completed. Once the procedure is finished, we will provide a pick-up time to discuss discharge instructions and necessary medications.
- We know that this can be an anxious time, and we are always available to answer any questions about the upcoming procedure. Our goal is to make this experience as stress-free as possible for you and your pet.