



Pre - Op Instructions:

Before arriving at our clinic, please familiarize yourself with the important information below to help your pet have the best possible experience.

1. To help prevent common diseases, we strongly recommend your pet be vaccinated at least one week prior to surgery. While no vaccine is 100% effective, vaccination will lessen the chance of your pet contracting disease, as well as decrease the severity of disease if your pet does become sick. In addition, state law requires a current rabies vaccination for all Dogs and Cats 16 weeks and older. Please bring proof of rabies in the form of a certificate (tags are not acceptable forms of proof). We are otherwise required to administer one at the time of surgery for a charge of \$10.
2. **All Pets**, but especially Dogs and Cats **4 months or younger** and all **Rabbits** should receive a small meal (1/4 their normal amount) the morning of surgery. This helps prevent nausea related to anesthesia and hypoglycemia in young patients. Water does NOT need to be withheld prior to surgery.
3. **Check in time is 730 AM.** If you arrive after 8 AM, you may be asked to reschedule. Feral caretakers may bring up to 2 unscheduled cats per day. For larger feral groups or sick/injured feral cats, please call to schedule.
4. We have found excited pets often make admission paperwork difficult. Please leave your Dog in the car while you fill out surgery forms and get checked in. Cats and Rabbits in carriers may be brought inside during check in. A staff member will advise you when we are ready for your pet. This process helps get your pet in and settled quicker.
5. All Dogs must be on a leash or in a carrier. All Cats and Rabbits must be in carriers. Cardboard carriers are available for purchase for a nominal fee.
6. Feral Cats need to arrive in a trap with only 1 cat per trap. Please make sure to cover the trap (an old sheet works great for this!) to help the patient feel safe and secure. We also request that you not line the trap with newspaper prior to surgery as this makes administering medication through the trap difficult.
7. **Pick up times are as follows:**
 - Monday, Wednesday & Friday - 330 PM
 - Feral Cats - 730 - 8 AM the morning after surgery, EXCEPT *Fridays (*330 PM the same day)

Your pet's surgery date is: _____