

Elizabethtown Area Animal Hospital
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PRE-SURGERY INSTRUCTIONS

Any estimate approximates the cost of this procedure. It does not include any treatments that may be deemed necessary upon examination and commencement of the included procedure(s). You are responsible for all fees incurred during this hospitalization stated or not prior to admission. If there are any questions or concerns about this statement, please speak with the office staff or doctor prior to the date of surgery.

We realize the importance of your pet in your home and will do our best to take all the necessary steps to enhance the comfort of both our patient and you, our client, during the stay at the hospital. For these reasons, we ask that you follow the instructions below and hope they make you better informed.

Prior to Surgery:

Withhold all food and water for 8 - 12 hours prior to admission to the hospital on the day of surgery, i.e. take up food & water, and close toilets at bed time the night before surgery.

OR

When dropping off & boarding the night before (7:00 - 7:30) they may be fed until leaving home.

Please report any signs of illness seen prior to admission.

Your pet should be brought to the hospital between 8:30 and 9:30 A.M. the day of the surgery, or between 7:00 and 7:30 P.M. the evening before the surgery. (There will be an additional days boarding fee added to the bill if the patient is brought in the night before).

Your pet is scheduled for the following **surgical procedure(s)**: _____

ON ____ / ____ / _____

It is requested that any cancellation of a procedure be done at least forty-eight hours before it is to be performed.

To operate on your pet, usually some hair must be clipped around the incision site. (It will re-grow). The general steps for surgery include pre-operative medication, anesthesia induction, anesthesia maintenance during surgery and post-surgical monitoring and pain management.

Unforeseen emergencies will be handled in whatever manner is most medically wise in the particular situation while your pet is in our care.

Evening of Surgery

Please feel free to call concerning your pet's post surgical condition in the evening between 7:00 - 7:30 P.M., or the next morning after 10 A.M. Please use 367-7156.

Most surgical procedures require from one to three days of hospitalization. Post surgical instructions will be provided upon discharge.

Please Remember : *No food or water for 12 hours **before** surgery.*