

POST-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

**ASPCA® Veterinary Services of
North Carolina, P.C. (828) 252-2079**

Animal ID # _____
 Cash \$ _____
 Check # _____

Date of Surgery

Owner's First Name Owner's Last Name Emergency Phone (in case of complications) Cell Phone

Owner's Street Address City State Zip Code

Animal's Name Contact Email
 Dog Cat

Animal's Age (Years) Animal's Age (Months) Animal's Breed Animal's Color(s)
 Male Female

Has your animal been to a veterinarian within the last 30 days? Yes No If yes, what was the reason for the visit?: Regular checkup Vaccines Sick or injured
 Does your animal have any current medical conditions (including coughing, sneezing, vomiting, or diarrhea)? Yes No If yes, please describe: _____

Is your animal taking any medications, including any flea or tick treatments (given in the last thirty days), insulin, thyroid, or steroids? Yes No If yes, please describe: _____

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- You must restrict the Animal's activity for the next ten days to allow the tissue time to heal, and avoid causing the incision to open. Cats should stay indoors. All dogs should go out on a leash to urinate/defecate and then return inside to rest. Keep the incision site dry; do not bathe or apply topical ointment during the recovery period.
- Keep males away from unspayed females for 30 days. Keep females away from unneutered males for seven days. Be prepared to keep pets separate during the recovery period.
- Check the incision site twice daily. Females should have no drainage; redness and swelling should be minimal. The incision for male dogs is directly on the scrotum and is left open to allow for drainage. Small amounts of drainage/discharge is normal for up to three days. Too much activity causes increased drainage, so activity restriction is very important. Do not allow the Animal to lick or chew at the incision. If this occurs, an Elizabethan collar MUST be applied to prevent additional licking/chewing that could cause infection.
- Appetite should return gradually within 24 hours of surgery. Do not change the Animal's diet at this time, and do not give them junk food, table scraps, milk, or any other *people food* during the recovery period. Feeding them their regular diet will help avoid gastro-intestinal upset.
- Minimal redness and swelling of the surgery site should resolve within several days, but if they persist longer, please call our office at **(828) 252-2079**. After office hours, please call **(855) 4-FIX-AVL**. You should also contact us immediately if you notice any of the following: pale gums; depression; unsteady gait; loss of appetite or decreased water intake; vomiting; diarrhea; discharge or bleeding from the incision; difficulty urinating or defecating; labored breathing. Do not give human medication to the Animal. It is dangerous and can be fatal.
- If the Animal received a vaccine at our clinic other than rabies, please discuss a "booster" vaccine with your regular veterinarian. Canine distemper/parvo vaccine, feline leukemia vaccine, and feline distemper vaccine all need to be "boostered" three to four weeks after administration of the first vaccine for maximum effectiveness.
- We will make every reasonable effort to treat at OUR CLINIC, at minimal cost, any post-operative complications resulting directly from the surgery, if the above post-operative instructions are followed in full. Your regular veterinarian must address illnesses or injuries that are not a direct result of surgery. Please call for an appointment as soon as you see any cause for concern at **(828) 252-2079**. After office hours, please call **(855) 4-FIX-AVL**.

- Spay Ovariohysterectomy – unless otherwise noted, there are no sutures to remove
- Neuter Castration – unless otherwise noted, there are no sutures to remove
- Already Spayed/Neutered Please contact this clinic if you have any questions or notice signs of heat
- In Heat Please keep away from intact males for at least two weeks
- Pregnant: _____ Unless otherwise noted, there are no sutures to remove
- Cryptorchid Undescended testicle(s) – your pet has two incisions

The Animal received a green tattoo next to their incision. This tattoo is a scoring process in the skin. IT IS NOT AN EXTRA INCISION.

Our vets recommend that you establish a wellness program for the Animal with a regular full-service veterinarian.

Please see your regular veterinarian to address the following concerns about the Animal:

Over/Underweight Ear Concerns Skin Concerns Tapeworms/Internal Parasites Dental Concerns Fleas/Ticks

Other: _____

VET: _____ Weight _____ Kgs.

The Animal has received these vaccinations/services today:

DA₂LPPv Bordetella Ivermectin Meloxicam Nail Trim Microchip

DA₂PPv FVRCP FeLV Rabies 1-Year 3-Year Ear Tip Hernia Repair

HW Test -neg +pos FeLV Test FeLV/FIV Test (only owned cats) -neg FeLV +pos FIV +pos Other _____

Requested Feline Vaccines & Services

Feline Distemper Vaccine FeLV/FIV Test Nail Trim Canine Distemper/Parvo Vaccine Heartworm Test Nail Trim

Feline Leukemia Vaccine Hernia Repair Microchip F/A Kennel Cough Vaccine Hernia Repair Microchip F/A

Rabies Vaccine (1-year) Rabies Vaccine (3-year) Rabies Vaccine (1-year) Rabies Vaccine (3-Year)

BY SIGNING BELOW, I ACKNOWLEDGE THAT I HAVE READ, UNDERSTOOD, AND AGREE TO THE TERMS IN THIS AGREEMENT AND THE ATTACHED AGREEMENTS. I HAVE PROOF OF CURRENT RABIES VACCINATION

SIGNATURE _____ DATE _____ INITIAL (when picking up) _____