



Neuter Information Handout

Neutering is a process by which a male pet's testicles are removed. This process benefits the health and wellness of both cats and dogs and prevents unwanted hormone-driven behaviors. Health benefits of neutering include decreased risk of prostate issues such as infections and enlargement and testicular issues such as hernias and tumors. Behavioral benefits include reduced risk of roaming, aggression, marking/spraying, and unwanted reproduction.

Required Expenses - Must be paid to Tolleson Animal Clinic at the time the procedure is performed

Cost	Item
\$50	<u>Rabies Vaccination</u> (If your pet does not have a current rabies vaccination, one will be required before the procedure)
\$99	<u>Preoperative Bloodwork</u> (REQUIRED for all pets over 3 years of age; optional for all other pets)
Canine Neuter: 0- 20 lbs.: \$365 20-40 lbs.: \$385 40-60 lbs.: \$405 60-80 lbs.: \$425 80-100 lbs.: \$445 100+ lbs.: \$465	<u>Neuter Procedure</u> Neutering takes place while your pet is under anesthesia. During the procedure, your pet will receive fluids via an IV-Catheter and vital signs will be monitored by a skilled technician. The canine neuter incision is made, generally, just forward from the scrotum. The testicles are removed and the stalks are tied off and cut. The incision site will have internal sutures. The feline neuter incision is made on the scrotum and the testicles are removed. The stalks are either pulled free and tied onto itself and the testicle is cut free. The incision is small enough so as not to require stitches of any kind. Note: Pets must fast overnight prior to neutering procedure. Pain medication and an e-collar are included. One dose of pain medication is administered at the time of the procedure and additional doses are sent home with the owner. An e-collar, better known as the cone of shame, is recommended to prevent your pet from licking their incision, causing an infection and/or opening the surgery site.
Feline Neuter: Any size: \$160	
\$100	<u>Deposit</u> This deposit is used to hold your pet's surgery slot and will be applied to the cost of the procedure. If you need to cancel or postpone your procedure, let us know 48 hours in advance, otherwise, you forfeit your deposit and will incur an additional deposit of \$100 to reschedule.

Additional Charges - Dependent upon your pet meeting specific criteria

\$150 - \$600	<u>Cryptorchid</u> In some cases, a pet's testicles may be undescended, requiring a more complicated procedure. Because undescended testicles have an increased tendency to grow tumors or may twist on their stalks and cause life-threatening inflammation, neutering is strongly advised for their health and safety and to prevent this trait from being passed along during reproduction.
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Optional Services - Items you may elect to perform while your pet is under anesthesia

\$25-\$100	<u>Cerenia</u> Cerenia, an antiemetic, can reduce nausea, pain, and anesthesia requirements during surgery, leading to a faster recovery time.
\$35	<u>Phovia</u> Phovia is LED light therapy that helps reduce healing time up to 50%.
\$15	<u>Nail trim</u> We can more closely trim your pet's nails while under anesthesia to avoid discomfort for your pet.
\$59	<u>Microchip</u> If your pet is ever lost, a microchip can help reunite you with your pet. This fee includes the insertion of the microchip and lifetime registration.

