

Anaesthesia precautions:

Modern Anaesthetics given to pets are generally safe, but most vets will always caution that there is a slight risk when used.

Sometimes dogs can be allergic to the pre-med sedative drugs so be aware of this too. Some Wheatens have reacted to Vetergesic which is often used as a pre-med as it sedates and is a slow release pain med. It can also be used for just pain relief.

Before your dog has an anaesthetic it is recommend that:

1. Your dog has had full blood and Urinalysis to check it is as fit and well as it can be
2. Your dog is weighed so the correct dosage is given
3. IV fluids are given during the operation, especially for senior dogs

Links to info on Anaesthesia – recommendation for Wheatens is to follow sighthound precautions:

<http://www.cliniciansbrief.com/sites/default/files/Breed-Specific-Anesthesia.pdf>

SCWT Club of Southern California: <http://www.wheaten.org/health/health-alerts/>

In addition if you have not already done so it is worth giving your Vet the Hereditary Disease Chart so they are aware of this and links to:

<http://www.wheatenhealthinitiative.com/Pages/hereditcomp.html>

<http://www.scwtca.org/health/index.htm>