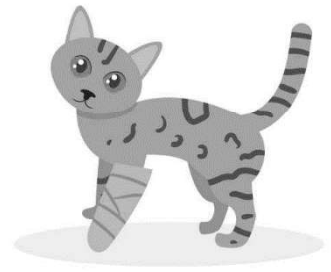


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## De-claw Discharge Information

### Monitoring:

Your pet may be sleepy for the rest of the day. Let them relax somewhere inside, warm, and quiet away from other animals. Offer them food and water, but they may not be interested as the anesthesia will be wearing off in their system; they should want to eat the following day. If your pet does not eat after 24hrs, starts to vomit, or becomes lethargic, please call MSAH at (719) 539-2533 between 8:30AM – 5PM, or if after hours, please see our website for information about emergencies.

For the first 2-3days post-surgery, observe the cat's paws for bleeding through the bandages. Once the bandages have been removed 3days after surgery, check your cat's paws daily for swelling or discharge for the next 2weeks.

### Exercise:

Please try to prevent your cat from jumping on or off of furniture/counters for at least the first 3 days post-surgery. Your cat may need to be placed in a large dog kennel or separate room to prevent this. Ideally, keep your cat's activity level low for at least 10days post-surgery.

### Medication:

Please give any prescribed medications according to the label's instructions. Please finish antibiotics.

### Follow-up Care:

Please keep the bandages on for 3days. If the bandage gets wet or slides off, please call us at MSAH. Please call us to schedule a bandage removal if you are unable to do it at home; your cat may require sedation to remove the bandages.

Try not to use regular litter once the bandages are off; try Yesterday's News or shredded newspaper, to prevent litter from getting into your cat's tender paws.

Your cat's paws will be sore on their front feet for a few days, but if they are non-weight bearing on them please call us at MSAH.

No sutures need to be removed. Declaw incisions are closed with skin-glue.

**If you have any questions regarding your pet's health, please call us at MSAH**