



Fifty Shades of Furr Inc.

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POST-OPERATIVE CARE INSTRUCTIONS

1. Keep your pet confined indoors in a quiet and warm place for the first 24 hours and monitor closely. Keep your pet away from other animals and children to prevent excessive activity. Make sure to protect your pet from excessive heat or cold. Feed light meals to avoid post-anesthetic nausea or vomiting.
 2. Check the incision site twice a day. The wound should not change from the time of pick up, although small areas of bruising may occur. Some animals have an allergic reaction to the suture material and a small hard lump may develop. If it does not become red, inflamed or have fluid coming from it, it is likely an allergic reaction and should resolve in a couple of weeks. If your pet has gone home with pain medication, please follow the instructions on the prescription and give with food.
 3. **Do not allow your pet to lick, bite or rub the incision area.** Licking, biting and rubbing the incision site can lead to infection and opening of the incision. Repair of damage to the incision site must be done at the owner's expense at a full service veterinarian.
- E-Collar must be on for, at least, 5 days
4. No running, jumping, playing, swimming or other strenuous activity should be allowed for 7 to 10 days after surgery, and no baths for at least 7 days. The sutures will dissolve. Washing the incision or applying ointment will interfere with that process. Pets must be housed in a clean, dry and warm environment until fully recovered.
 5. Offer food and water in small amounts the first 12 hours after surgery. Feed several small meals rather than one large meal to avoid vomiting. Kittens under 4 lbs. should be fed wet food within the first hour of returning home. Please do not change your pet's diet at this time or give people food, as this could mask post-surgical complications. Your pet's appetite should return gradually within 24 hours of surgery. Depression, lack of appetite, persistent vomiting or diarrhea lasting more than 24 hours may indicate a problem. Call us! Never give your pet anything from your medicine cabinet!
 6. **Fifty Shades of Furr, Inc.** strongly recommends that you establish a regular relationship with a full service veterinary hospital to meet your pet's ongoing health care and disease prevention needs.
 7. In case of emergency, please contact your regular veterinarian. Also contact **Fifty Shades of Furr, Inc. at 301-800-6092** so we are aware of the problem and can provide additional information to the clinic if needed. **Fifty Shades of Furr, Inc.** is not responsible for complications resulting from the pet owner's failure to follow post-op instructions or contagious diseases for which the animal was not previously vaccinated.