



Fifty Shades of Furr Inc.
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PRE-OPERATIVE INSTRUCTIONS

No Food After Midnight, the night before surgery. If you feed after midnight we will not be able to perform surgery because it is possible the animal will vomit during surgery. Water is OK, but no food. Young animals less than four months of age need to keep their blood sugar up and can have a little canned food before 7:00 the morning of surgery. Kittens: **1 teaspoon canned** cat food.

Check-in time is between 7am-8am. PLEASE bring your pet in a size appropriate crate. Pets are usually ready for pick up early depending on our surgery schedule. Please be aware that you will be notified when your pet is ready to go home.

If your pet has fleas or ticks, please we will provide a dose of Capstar. If we need to provide treatment, you will be charged an extra fee.

If your pet has been ill, sneezing or coughing, has been vomiting or had diarrhea, please call **301-800-6092** to confirm whether or not you should bring your pet in for surgery. We do not want other animals to be at risk and do not want to put extra stress on your pet.

Your pet needs to be reasonably clean in order to do surgery. Remember that you will not be able to bathe your pet for two-weeks following surgery.

You'll need to be able to provide **post-op care**. We'll provide detailed post-op instructions when you pick your pet up; but be aware that you'll need to be able to keep your pet confined indoors in a quiet, warm place and kept away from other animals and children for at least 24 hours. With that being said, your animal needs to remain in a warm, quiet, confined space such as a floor crate. You'll need to check the incision site twice a day watching for swelling, discharge or redness. You'll need to ensure that your pet does not lick or rub the incision area.

Fifty Shades of Furr, Inc. is a very important and valuable resource in the community, when there is a "no show" it is a missed opportunity for another animal, in need, to receive our services.

CATS

- Cats must be brought in a CLEAN, secure cat carrier. Kittens must weigh at least 3 pounds (Crate appropriate).
- Feral cats must be in cat traps in order for us to handle them safely.