



VETERINARY HOME SERVICES

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GUIDELINES: BEFORE and AFTER VETERINARY SERVICES

I. NEUTERING SERVICES

Pre - Surgery Guidelines (BEFORE)

1. Only apparently healthy pets, with ages 4 months to 5 years old and not taking any medication are accepted for surgery without blood test (optional).
2. Female dogs of any breed at 4 years and above are required to have normal result of blood test at least a day before the procedure.
3. Fasting (minimal water and no food) could be between 5 to 12 hours. We suggest a fasting time of 8 hours to have an ample time in case of adjustment if we arrive 2 hours early or a maximum of 4 hours late than the given ETA.
4. PRIVATE HOME SERVICE: The parent must prepare a table (at least 3 ft in width and height) and a chair in a well-lighted and well-ventilated area inside or outside. This will serve as the surgical table; thus, comfort must be considered. Beddings during recovery (after surgery) must also be ready in a flat floor.
5. PRIVATE MASS NEUTER SET-UP: Table and chairs will be provided by the organizer. The parent is responsible in making sure that their pet is secure and cannot escape the cage. Extra beddings/tissue are needed in case the pet defecates, urinates, or vomits. Dogs must be with strong and secured leash. Aggressive dogs that cannot be handled by its owner will not be catered by the team. Extra beddings to be placed on the floor will be needed during the pet's recovery right after surgery.
6. For breastfeeding cats, artificial milk must be available for the kittens since cats must not nurse their kittens within the next 24 hours after the surgery.
7. SPAY-ABORT PROCEDURE: In case the animal is found pregnant during surgery, it will automatically undergo spay-abortion procedure even without the prior notice to the owner as it is considered an emergency surgery.



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Post - Surgery Guidelines (AFTER)

1. Suitable cones / recovery suit must be available and be use after the pet gains its appetite and able to move around few hours after surgery. It is the parent's responsibility to make sure that the cone/recovery suit fits the pet and prevents it from licking the wound.
2. Recovery right after surgery can be from 1-12 hours, average of 4 hours. During this time, let the pet recovers in a spacious and well-ventilated cage or in a safe room with someone monitoring him. Avoid touching them as the pet might scratch or bite during the recovery stage when triggered. If the pet is calm enough (2-4 after surgery), provide water first. Vomiting is normal after surgery. If no vomiting happens 30 minutes after gaining consciousness, provide half the amount of the usual soft/dry diet. For any cases of vomiting, remove food and water for about 30 minutes to an hour.
3. In our Private Mass Neuter Events, it is expected to have a waiting period of 3-8 hours in every event, make sure that you have ample time for waiting before registering/joining in our events. We don't release pets without vet's approval regardless of pet parent's request. It is best to follow a drop-off and pick-up system.
4. Observe the changes in breathing pattern, eye reflexes and limb movements during the first few hours of recovery. If there are abnormal or unusual, report to us immediately.
5. Provide the oral medication (if necessary and advised) after meal and wound treatment daily and regularly, this will start on the day after the neutering.
6. Pets after neutering are not allowed to have shower for 1-2 weeks.
7. Female cats and dogs (male and female) are required to use cone or recovery suit for at least 5-7 days or as needed.
8. For the next 1-3 days post-surgery, there can be inappetence, difficulty defecating and can be less active, at 4th day onwards, things must go back to normal. Unusual observation must be reported to us immediately.



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9. Male Dogs: There can be inflammation on the surgical site that could last for 5-7 days and is expected to subside thereafter. Strict monitoring is needed to avoid the dog from licking or biting the wound at this time since it is itchy and more irritating as it heals.
10. Premature Wound Opening: In case of issues with pet's behavior and inability of the pet parent to manage the pet to avoid excessive movement or wound licking that may result to premature wound opening, we are expecting the pet parent to inform us right away about the pet's condition and send us picture if necessary.

Restitching is not always an option for this and depends in a case-to-case basis. Secondary healing of an open wound may also be advised by the team if the pet has good appetite and active. However, please note that wound healing in this condition can have an additional of 1-2 more weeks and a more strict monitoring.

11. Other Abnormal/Unusual Observations: For any unusual health or behavioral issues observe days after surgery/service, inform us immediately and send pictures/videos if necessary.