



Brookend

VETERINARY PRACTICE LTD

62, Braintree Road, Witham CM8 2BY
Tel: 01376 500038

POST OPERATIVE CARE

Name _____

Procedure _____

Recovery

Whilst your pet is recovering from an anaesthetic or sedation he/she should be confined in a warm and quiet area until recovery is complete. This can last for up to 24-48 hours and it is quite normal for your pet to be drowsy/sleepy.

Feeding

Your pet will have been offered a Royal Canin Sensitivity Diet during recovery. You will also be given food to take home to offer your pet this evening. Once home please ensure your pet has access to fresh water.

Resume your pets' normal feeding regime the day after their operation, unless instructed otherwise.

If they are not eating after 24 hours, contact the surgery for advice.

Wound Care

Unless otherwise directed your pet's wound will not require any aftercare.

You should monitor the wound daily for any swelling, seepage, excessive pain or redness. If you have any concerns about your pet's wound, please contact the surgery for advice.

Bandage Care

If your pet has a bandage it must be kept dry.

Cats must be kept indoors until the bandage is removed.

Dogs should have the bandage covered with a plastic bag when going outside.

The bandage must not be chewed or licked and so a buster collar should be used if your pet tries to remove the bandage.

If the bandage slips out of place, gets wet, smells unpleasant or is bothering the animal then contact the surgery.

PTO

Collars:

If your pet is sent home with a buster collar, it is imperative that it is kept on to prevent them interfering with the wound.

Post-Operative Assessment:

Your pet should be returned in.....days for a check-up with the Veterinary Surgeon/Nurse.

Your pet does not require a post-operative check.

Exercise:

Dogs should be restricted to lead exercise for 10days.

Cats should be kept indoors with a litter tray for at least 48hours, ideally 10 days until the stitches have been removed.

Stitches:

Your pet should be returned to the surgery in 10-14days for the stitches to be removed.

Your pet's stitches are dissolvable

There are no stitches to be removed

Medication: (if required)

All Medications are dispensed with a label as to how often they should be given/applied. Please follow the instructions carefully, if you have any concerns please contact the surgery.

Start Medication.....

Additional Instructions.....