

PRE-OP INSTRUCTIONS AND DIRECTIONS

Prior to Surgery:

After your appointment is made, visit our website at www.arfva.org where you can download, print and fill out the Admission Form to bring with you the day of surgery or you can fill one out at the Clinic when you bring your pet in. A list of optional services (and prices) available the day of surgery is also on the site.

Please give serious thought to how you will be able to limit your pet's activity and how you will be able to prevent licking or getting the incision wet for two weeks after surgery. Dogs will need to be walked on a leash and no swimming or baths during that time for cats or dogs. E-collars (\$10) are recommended to ensure no licking, especially when the animal is left unattended and these can be fitted to the animal before they are discharged home. The staff can discuss options with you when you bring your animal in and they will go over your Discharge Instructions when you come to pick up your pet.

On The Night Before Surgery:

Give your pet their dinner by 7pm, then take all food up and don't feed again until after surgery. ALL PETS CAN HAVE ACCESS TO WATER UNTIL YOU BRING THEM TO THE CLINIC. Pets under 4 months may be given a small amount of food the morning of their surgery.

The Day of Surgery:

Give your pet a chance to use the bathroom before bringing them to their appointment.

Make sure you bring their current Rabies Certificate with you to show the staff. If your pet is not up to date on his Rabies, we will give them a Rabies shot at the time of surgery for \$10.

Dogs should arrive at the Clinic between 8 and 8:15am. Cats should arrive between 8:15 and 8:30am. We may decline to admit your pet if you are late to prevent a delay in starting our surgeries.

Leave your animal in your car until you have the Admission Form filled out and discussed it with the staff. (Forms are available outside the front door). Once you have gone over everything with the staff, you can bring in your pets. Dogs should be on a leash and cats brought in an individual carrier. The staff will give you the time to return that afternoon to pick up your pet.

You may pay for your pet's surgery and other services when you return to pick them up. We take Cash, Credit or Debit- NO CHECKS.