

NEUTER HOSPITALIZATION AND SURGICAL RELEASE FORM

{FULLNAME} {NAME}
{ADDRESS1} {SPECIES}/{BREED}/{COLOR}
{CITY}, {STATE} {POSTALCODE} {BIRTHDATE[SHORT]}
{PHONENUMBER} {SEX}
{CURRENTDATE[SHORT]} {CURRENTWEIGHT}{CURRENTWEIGHTUNIT}

I request and authorize Fort Hunt Animal Hospital to hospitalize my pet to have a neuter procedure performed. An IV catheter and fluids are included in the cost of the procedure. An IV catheter allows immediate intravenous access in case of an emergency and the administration of intravenous fluids to help maintain blood pressure and hydration during surgery. A preanesthetic blood screening which checks for anemia and assesses kidney and liver functions is also included in the overall price of the neuter procedure.
____ Owners Initials

Fluoride treatments are beneficial for pets up to one year of age. It helps to strengthen and protect tooth enamel.
I do ____ I do not ____ request fluoride treatment.

Deciduous baby teeth are a problem that affect both kittens and puppies. Generally they will fall out before the pet turns 6 months of age, but if they are still present after 6 months of age there is a risk of infection, severe tartar build-up in the future, and malocclusion (crooked teeth) resulting in other oral health problems.
I do ____ I do not ____ request the removal of any deciduous teeth.

A Microchip is a form of permanent identification that can be implanted while your pet is under anesthesia.
I do ____ I do not ____ request a microchip implant.

While under anesthesia, we can give your pet a nail trim for a reduced cost of \$9.00.
I do ____ I do not ____ request a nail trim.

I understand that if my pet is cryptorchid there will be additional charges. ____ Owners Initials

I understand that if my pet is found to have fleas treatment will be initiated at a nominal fee. ____ Owners Initials

Laser surgery is available for canine neuters (not an option for feline neuters). There are many advantages to using the laser for surgical procedures. The laser cauterizes blood vessels as it cuts through tissue leading to decreased bleeding, swelling, and pain. Would you like us to use the laser for your pet's surgery today? Yes ____ No ____

Perioperative pain management is very important for the comfort of the patient, as well as to facilitate post-operative healing; therefore, all patients receive pain medication before, during, and after surgery. The doctor may also send pain medication to be administered at home in the days following surgery. ____ Owners Initials

Epidural analgesia (pain relief) has become a very common way to provide pain relief for animals undergoing painful surgical procedures. An epidural is a single injection of pain medication into the epidural space (around the spinal cord) just before the pelvis. A small area of hair is clipped and the skin is aseptically prepped. The injection will provide 12-24 hours of pain relief and allows for a significant reduction in the amount of inhalant anesthetic gas required for general anesthesia. This treatment is safe and carries minimal associated risk, but risks can include hypotension, urinary retention, infection, and paralysis. Please ask to speak with a licensed veterinary technician (LVT) or veterinarian if you have questions or concerns about the procedure and whether or not it is right for your pet. I do ____ I do not ____ request an epidural for my pet.

Large breed, deep-chested dogs can benefit from having a gastropexy performed. It is best to do this at the time of the spay/neuter. This procedure can help prevent the complications associated with bloat. Ask a doctor or technician if you have questions or if you'd like to know if this procedure would be beneficial for your dog. I do ____ I do not ____ request a gastropexy.

I understand that there are risks associated with anesthesia and surgery, and that the doctors will do their best to minimize these risks. If my pet's vital signs change such that additional supportive treatment is needed, the doctor will try to contact me; however, if I cannot be reached I understand that the hospital will proceed with supportive life-sustaining procedures. Payment in full for all services listed above is expected at discharge. ____ Owners Initials

Would you like a formal estimate before the procedure? Yes: ____ No: ____

Signature: {CLIENTSIGNATURE}

Phone number(s) where you can be reached during your pet's hospitalization:

Staff Checked In: _____