



CROSSWINDS
VETERINARY HOSPITAL

Surgery Preparation Advice

Setting a date

We schedule surgeries on Monday-Thursday. Our surgical service is very popular, so make sure to reserve your appointment spot as soon as you have found a time that works best with your schedule. Please call us at {BusinessPhone} to schedule your appointment.

Pre-anesthetic Blood Testing

We require pre-anesthetic blood work prior to the surgical procedure to ensure the safest possible anesthesia experience for your pet. We request that you bring your pet in a few days before the scheduled procedure for a technician to draw the blood sample. We will have most all results within a 24 hour period.

The Night Before

Try to stick to your normal routine the night before the procedure so that your pet remains comfortable. Please pick up food bowls, as no food or meals should be given after midnight. It is ok to allow your pet to have access to water. Do not restrict water- your pet should have free access to water until you bring them in for their procedure. With many procedures, a bath cannot be given after surgery for a designated amount of time. You can give your pet a bath prior to surgery to help.

The Day Of

If your pet normally takes medications in the morning, please follow your normal dosing schedule unless otherwise directed by the doctor. Please bring your pet to the clinic between 8:15-8:30a on the day of the procedure so that we can get them checked in and prepared for surgery. During check-in we will go over your estimate and answer any questions you may have. This can take anywhere from 10-15 minutes. If there have been any changes to your pets health or behavior since their last exam, please inform the technician at this time. The veterinarian conducts an exam prior to surgery. Your pet may not be eligible for surgery that day due to medical reason and if this occurs, you will be notified.

Patient Discharge

When your pet is discharged you will receive discharge instructions from the veterinarian. You will also get an email copy of these notes. Please allow 15-20 minutes for surgery discharges. Please feel free to ask any questions during the discharge consultation.