

Post-surgery frequently asked questions (FAQs)

Q1: When can I take my pet home after surgery?

- A: Your pet will be discharged when they have fully recovered from anesthesia, which typically takes a few hours after the surgery. Our veterinary team will provide you with a specific discharge time usually between 3:00 pm - 6:00 pm.

Q2: Is it normal for my pet to be groggy or disoriented after surgery?

- A: Yes, it's normal for pets to be a bit groggy or disoriented immediately after surgery. Anesthesia can take some time to wear off. Monitor your pet closely and provide a quiet, comfortable space for their recovery.

Q3: How should I care for my pet's incision site?

- A: Follow the post-surgery care instructions provided by our veterinary team. Generally, you should keep the incision site clean and dry. Avoid bathing your pet for the specified recovery period and prevent them from licking or chewing the incision.

Q4: Can my pet eat and drink after surgery?

- A: Your pet may be on a restricted diet for a certain period after surgery. Follow the feeding instructions provided. It's important to ensure your pet has access to water to stay hydrated.

Q5: What signs of complications should I watch for?

- A: Keep an eye out for signs of infection, such as redness, swelling, discharge, or a foul odor around the incision. If your pet's behavior drastically changes, they experience excessive pain, or if you have any questions or concerns, contact us immediately at **775.575.5851**.

Q6: When can I resume my pet's regular exercise routine?

- A: Your pet's activity level should be restricted according to our instructions. Typically, we'll recommend limiting strenuous activity for a certain period to allow for proper healing.

Q7: How can I manage my pet's pain and discomfort?

- A: We usually prescribe pain medications for your pet. Follow the dosing instructions carefully. If you believe your pet is in pain, contact us for guidance.

Q8: When should I schedule a follow-up appointment?

- A: Follow-up appointments are essential to monitor your pet's progress. Our veterinary team will inform you when to schedule the first follow-up, usually within a few days to a week after surgery.

Q9: Can my pet go outside during the recovery period?

- A: Outdoor access should be restricted as per our recommendations. It's important to prevent your pet from running, jumping, or engaging in activities that could disrupt the healing process.

Q10: How long will it take for my pet to fully recover?

- A: The recovery time can vary depending on the type of surgery and your pet's overall health. Our veterinary team will provide you with an estimate of the expected recovery period.

***** Remember, these are general guidelines, and specific instructions may vary based on your pet's unique situation.**