



Murphy Veterinary Surgery Services

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INFORMATION FOR YOUR PET'S HOSPITAL STAY

The Night Before:

Because your pet will be receiving anesthetic, please take away food, water and treats at midnight. If your pet is currently on medication, please ask us for specific directions regarding administration.

The Day of Surgery:

Please bring your pet to the clinic between 8:00 - 8:30am. We will ensure at that time that all necessary paperwork has been completed. After admission, your pet will be evaluated and given medication to prepare him/her for surgery. Surgeries take place in the morning and early afternoon. Please bring any special diets or medications.

While in Hospital:

Please let us know who will be your pet's primary contact. A technician will be certain to call with an update as soon as your pet is awake and recovering. The update call will likely be in the afternoon. Dr. Murphy will also call before the end of the day to give you more specific details regarding the surgical procedure.

Overnight:

To ensure optimal care and comfort of your pet, he/she will be monitored through the night by the veterinarians and technicians of the Emergency Clinic of Waterloo Region which operates out of the same facility.

The Next Day:

After Dr. Murphy has evaluated your pet in the morning and received a report from the overnight care team, we will be happy to provide you with an update on your pet and confirm a discharge time. Please call between 9:00-9:30am for an update.

Discharge Appointment:

The goal of every surgery is to have the best outcome possible! After leaving the clinic, it is essential that you and your family are prepared and comfortable to support your pet during the healing process in the days and weeks ahead. We will typically spend a minimum of 30 minutes with you during the discharge appointment explaining the written discharge instructions and answering any questions you may have.