



## **PRE-OP INFORMATION**

**Drop off: Between 8:00 AM and 8:30 AM. Pick up: DOGS 5:00 PM; CATS 5:30 PM**

Please allow 20 minutes for drop off and pick up.

**DO NOT GIVE FOOD AFTER MIDNIGHT THE NIGHT BEFORE SURGERY. WATER IS ALLOWED.** Animals must be kept inside the night before surgery. Allow bathroom time before drop off. Cats must be in carriers.

### **IMPORTANT TO TELL US IF YOUR PET:**

**IS TAKING ANY MEDICATIONS ; HAD ANY SHOTS IN THE LAST 60 DAYS; OR BEEN SICK**

If you do not pick up your animal at the scheduled time an overnight boarding fee of \$ 50 will be charged.

Be prepared to keep your animal inside and quiet after surgery. Follow all post-op instructions.

If your animal's rabies and distemper vaccinations are current, you must provide vet records. If they are not current, we will vaccinate for rabies and distemper.

Our veterinarians are experienced, licensed professionals who practice in the Gastonia area. Our nurses and technicians are professionally trained. We operate a low-cost program, but our facilities, our surgical team, our staff and our surgical protocols are of the highest quality.

We perform cursory physical exams in which patients pass or fail in their readiness for surgery. Any anesthetic or surgical procedure carries with it serious risk. Animals with certain conditions are at a higher risk. Those include: pregnant, in heat, parasite burdened, positive for heartworms, FeLV positive, FIV positive, have respiratory conditions, malnourished or obese. Pre-surgical comprehensive examinations and pre-surgical blood panels are always recommended before any surgery to minimize risk. Please see your veterinarian to have tests and treatment done before surgery is performed.

Sterilization of males is called neuter, which involves removing the testicles. Sterilization of females is called spay, which is the removal of both ovaries and the uterus. Pregnant animals will be spayed and fetuses will not be awakened. Spayed females may still attract males shortly after surgery. Breeding after surgery can be harmful and should be prevented.

**NO REFUNDS**

**We strongly encourage everyone to purchase an E-Collar for your pet's post-surgical recovery**