

Thank you for being a responsible pet owner! Following are the instructions for pre-surgery preparation and post-surgery protocol. PLEASE READ THESE INSTRUCTIONS CAREFULLY. Failure to comply could result in injury to your animal, or the need to reschedule your appointment.

## PRE-OPERATION INSTRUCTIONS

1. Do not provide any food or water **after 9:00 pm the night prior to surgery**. If your pet may have eaten anything during this time, please inform a volunteer so we can reschedule. This is vitally important to the health and safety of your pet. Do not provide food or water the morning of the surgery, and make sure your pet does not have access to any of your other animals food or water as well.

## DAY OF SURGERY INSTRUCTIONS:

Please arrive at the **time specified by the veterinary office performing the surgery**. The vet will advise what time to pick up your pet.

PAYMENT - Please have your check or cash with you when you bring your animal in the morning. The co-pay should be paid directly to the vet, as specified on your voucher.

**Please note! CCP will only cover the cost of the spay/neuter surgery and a rabies shot, if necessary. All other fees will be the responsibility of the owner.**

1. FORM – You will receive a form that morning to fill out prior to leaving your pet.
2. RABIES – If your pet is current on their rabies shot, **please bring the receipt you received** with you to the vet. If you do not bring this paper with you, the vet is legally obligated by the state to give the animal a rabies shot and CCP will be charged for the cost of the unnecessary vaccination.  
We appreciate your assistance in helping us avoid these unnecessary charges by bringing the receipt with you.

3. PLASTIC CARRIER -Small dogs /cats: Please bring your pet in a plastic carrier with a working door latch for secure transport and handling at the surgery facility. (Cat's only unless small dog)
  - a. Only one animal per carrier please. (Please line your carrier with newspaper ONLY).
  - b. Remove your pet's flea collar and regular collar prior to loading into the pet carrier. Neither the veterinary office nor CCAAF will take responsibility for any personal items (toys, blankets, leashes, etc.) left in the carrier.
  - c. Please notify the vet if your animal has any prior medical concerns, including whether your pet may be pregnant or in heat, or if they have a flea infestation. Should your pet have a flea infestation, they will be given an oral or topical

treatment and you will be asked to cover the cost, unless other arrangements have been made. Larger dogs should be brought on a leash.

4. SMALL TATOO - Your pet will receive a small tattoo on their underbelly near the incision site to identify that it has been spayed or neutered. (not all vets participate in this).
5. AGE & WEIGHT - Your pet must be at least 6 months old (puppies) or 4 months old and 4 lbs# if a kitten. No pet's older than 6 years of age can be altered through this outlet.

CCP cannot alter Pomeranians, Pekinese or flat faced dogs or Siamese cats or flat faced breeds due to concerns about the anesthesia.