

COTTAGE GROVE ANIMAL HOSPITAL
SURGICAL AND ANESTHESIA RELEASE FORM

**PLEASE READ AND ANSWER THE FOLLOWING QUESTIONS PRIOR TO
DROPPING YOUR PET OFF FOR SURGERY.**

INSTRUCTIONS: 1) Drop your pet off the morning of the procedure between 8 and 8:30 AM. 2) Do not feed your pet after 8 PM the night before. Remove water the morning of the surgery. 3) Distemper and Rabies vaccinations must be current. Please bring previous history if vaccinations were done elsewhere.

Date _____ Procedure Scheduled _____
Pet _____ Client Name _____

Date and time of last meal? _____
Appetite and Attitude has been normal? YES or NO _____
Any coughing, sneezing, vomiting or diarrhea: YES or NO, if yes please explain

Any seizure history? YES or NO _____
Is your pet currently on any medications? _____
Any concerns? _____

ANESTHESIA RISK

Procedures requiring anesthesia are always associated with a certain amount of risk, whether the patient is a person or a pet. Like you, we want to minimize that risk as much as possible – this requires a physical exam and pre-anesthetic tests. Advances in anesthesia have made elective procedures safer; however, complications can arise because of pre-existing conditions not evident during previous examinations. In certain rare circumstances a condition may exist that is not evident on physical examination or pre-anesthetic screening, which could result in anesthetic complications, including death.

PRE-ANESTHETIC TESTING

If your pet has no outward physical problems, we recommend a Complete blood cell count and a Pre-anesthetic blood profile – a mini-chem (\$88.00) for younger animals and a full profile (\$118.00) for those pets 8 years or older. A heartworm test (\$45.50) is recommended for dogs and a feline leukemia/FIV test is recommended for cats (\$67.50). This blood work evaluates your pet for underlying infections, anemia, liver, kidney or intestinal diseases. We recommend pre-anesthetic testing in order to get a complete picture of the internal health of your pet. If the results of the pre-anesthetic tests are within normal ranges, we can proceed with confidence knowing the anesthetic risk is minimized. On the other hand, test abnormalities may be significant enough to postpone the procedure in order to monitor and medically treat your pet. Although performing these tests cannot guarantee the absence of complications, it can significantly minimize the risk to your pet and provide you and our staff with peace of mind. While the choice is yours, we feel strongly that a pre-anesthetic profile is very important to your pet's health. A technician will go over your options at the time of check in.

In case of Emergency it is very important that we be able to reach you by phone. The technician will ask you for a phone number where you can be reached between 8 AM and Noon at the time of check-in. Please complete this letter and bring it in at the time you drop your pet off at the animal hospital. Check-in may take 10-15 minutes – please allow time. ADULT OWNER AUTHORIZATION REQUIRED AT TIME OF CHECK-IN. PHONE NUMBER(S): _____