



Macon Trousdale Veterinary Clinic



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Post-Operative Care

- We strongly recommend keeping your pet confined in a crate or small room the night after surgery.
- Your pet may still be slightly groggy from the anesthesia. Because of this, it may act more agitated or aggressive than normal. Avoid handling the animal too much, and keep away from children and other animals as he/she may try to bite or scratch.
- Prevent your pet from running, jumping, playing, and other strenuous activity during recovery. The best way is to crate your pet when unsupervised.
- Re-introduce food slowly. You may offer a small amount of food and water the night after surgery. If vomiting occurs, wait until the next day to give more food. Provide the normal amount of food and water to your pet on the day after surgery.
- Wait at least one week before bathing your pet. If a bath is necessary, avoid the incision/site of surgery. Do not scrub the area.
- An E-Collar may be used if; your pet licks or bites at the incision. Licking or biting the incision can cause the wound to re-open and become infected. If this is a problem, one can be purchased at the clinic.
- Watch for: Redness or swelling of incision, diarrhea, pale gums, discharge or bleeding from the incision, lethargy lasting more than 24 hours, labored breathing, vomiting, and decreased appetite.

**If your pet has skin sutures or staples, he/she will need to return
In 10-14 days to have them removed.**

Other

Instructions: _____

Please call us at (615) 666-4297 if you have any questions or concerns.