



C A R O L S T R E A M
ANIMAL HOSPITAL

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BEFORE YOUR PET'S SURGERY

We acknowledge that there is always a risk involved with anesthesia and surgery. To minimize complications of any procedure, we need to know as much about your pet's health and history as possible. We also need *you* to know as much about your pet as possible, to help make decisions about his/her care.

- Your pet should have recently undergone a complete physical exam to alert us of any possible health conditions which could increase risk.
- Prior to any anesthetic or sedative procedure, various lab tests need to be performed and assessed for potential problems. Discuss these tests with the veterinarian before scheduling any surgery or procedures.
- No food or treats of any kind are to be given after 7pm the night before the surgery. This reduces the risks of vomiting while under general anesthesia. Free access to water is advisable.
- Your pet's vaccinations need to be current to help protect him/her against any viral disease they could pick up during his/her hospital stay.
- Have your pet to the hospital between 8:00 and 8:30am the day of the procedure so that we have ample time to prepare him/her for the morning schedule. If your pet seems ill the day of the procedure, please phone the hospital as soon as possible, so we may set up an exam, and reschedule the procedure, if needed.
- We will call you soon after the procedure, to let you know of your pet's condition. We will also ask to set up a release appointment, usually after 3pm the same day.

We realize that you are concerned about the health and welfare of your pet while he/she is in our care, and you are more than welcome to phone the hospital to check on him or her. Thank you and we look forward to seeing you and your pet.