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SPAY AND NEUTER PRE-OP INSTRUCTIONS

PREPARATION FOR SURGERY

- **Food:** Cats and dogs must have their food taken away **by midnight the night before surgery.**
- **Rabbits must have access to food at all times!**
- **Water:** Water does not need to be limited - please have water available to your pet at all times.
- **No show:** If you do not show up for your scheduled appointment, a "No Show" fee will be deducted from your deposit and you will need to pay that fee before you can reschedule. Please give us at least 48 hours notice to cancel an appointment to avoid this.

ARRIVAL/DEPARTURE DETAILS

- On your pet's scheduled surgery day, please drop him/her off at the Alaska SPCA Clinic between **7am and 7:45am**. Please allow for 5 to 20 minutes to complete the drop-off process. Drop-offs **after 8am are at risk of being asked to reschedule** as our staff must begin procedures and focus all attention on anesthetized pets.
- All dogs must be on a leash and all cats and rabbits must be in a carrier for the drop off process!
- Please let our intake technician know if your pet is on any medication or has any health issues/concerns.
- Please bring vaccine records with you at the time of your appointment. Records can also be emailed to customerservice@alaskasPCA.org or faxed to us at 907-561-5549.
- **We will call you when your pet is awake**, alert and ready to go home from surgery. **Your pet must be picked up by 5:30PM.** If you do not pick up your pet by 5:30PM, you will be charged a **LATE FEE of \$20 per every 5 minutes you are late!**
- Please note that payment is due at the time you pick up your pet. Your deposit has been applied to your existing balance. The Alaska SPCA takes most debit and credit cards (not Care Credit or American Express) and ScratchPay Microloans (www.scratchpay.com). We do not accept personal checks for payment. **If you cannot pay at this time, please contact us at 907-562-2999 immediately.**

SURGICAL PROCEDURES

- Every spay/neuter procedure begins with an injection for pain and sedation. Once surgery and recovery are complete, follow up care is available Monday through Friday 8AM-5PM.
- **Additional fees** may be charged for added services (microchipping, vaccination, etc.) **or** complex surgeries (pregnant females, males with retained testicles, obese animals,

- females in heat, umbilical hernia repair, rear dewclaw removal, etc.) **Spaying a pregnant female will result in termination of pregnancy.**
- Your pet will receive a **2mm green tattoo dot/line** as proof he/she has been spayed or neutered. This will appear on the umbilicus for all cats and female dogs, and on the left side of the groin for male dogs.
- **Brachycephalic pets** (short-nosed breeds) will incur additional charges for a specialized preanesthetic protocol.

Our spay-neuter service includes:

- **General anesthesia** with pulse and oxygen monitoring throughout surgical procedure.
- **Pain management** to pre-operatively block pain and to reduce inflammation post-operatively. Your pet will go home with medication for pain and inflammation at no additional cost.
- **Attention to recovery** by veterinary technicians who continuously monitor your pet before, during and after surgery. Heat support is provided for small animals and animals with short hair coats.
- **Complimentary nail trims** are given at the time of surgery. Notify the intake technician if you **do not** want this.
- **Plastic e-collars** are included at no additional cost.

Our spay-neuter PLUS service includes the above plus the following:

- Pre-anesthetic bloodwork and placement of an IV catheter
- Intravenous fluid therapy during the procedure

VACCINATIONS AND MICROCHIPS

- **Proof of a current rabies vaccination is required** for us to perform spay/neuter surgery on your pet. If not current, we are able to administer this and other recommended vaccinations at the time of surgery.
- **Microchipping** your pet is highly recommended and less traumatic if done at the time of surgery. We'll even send the registration in for you!