

## **Pre-Surgical Instructions and Information**

If your pet is scheduled to have surgical procedure or sedation please read the following directions:

- If your pet's condition has changed or deteriorated before admission please call us at 352-901-6589 or discuss with your admitting nurse.
- Drop off for surgery is between 8:00am and 8:30am unless another time has been arranged.
- Your pet's leash and collar will be returned to you at the time of admittance. Personal effects (toys, blankets, etc.) are discouraged for the potential to become misplaced or damaged.
- Do not give your pet any food after 10 pm the night before admission. This includes treats.
- Leave water available for your pet until the morning unless you have been specifically advised to withhold water.
- If your pet is on any maintenance medication for a pre-existing condition (thyroid disease, diabetes, cardiac disease, etc.) please continue your regularly prescribed protocol unless otherwise discussed at your initial consultation. Please bring these medications with you on the day of surgery.
- If your pet is found to have an active skin infection in the area of or close to the incision site, we will likely postpone the procedure until the skin infection has resolved.

- Do not give any pain medications or NSAIDs the morning of the surgery.
- Take your dog for a walk on the morning of admission to help empty their bladder and bowels.
- In the days prior to surgery, please ensure your dog is clean/bathed. They will not be able to have a bath for at least two weeks following surgery.
- **\*\* PLEASE NOTE: We cannot guarantee a specific time for your pet's surgery as other patients will also be having surgery that day. We will do our best to get your pet's procedure performed as early in the day, but ultimately some procedures will need to be performed later in the afternoon. We will contact you when we are getting ready to start your pet's procedure. If you have not heard from us, feel free to call to get an update. We will be attending to your pet's needs while they are waiting for their surgery. Thank you, in advance, for your understanding.**
- **\*\* PLEASE NOTE: If we have multiple unexpected emergencies, there is a chance that we will need to postpone and reschedule your pet's surgery for another day. We will contact you if we need to postpone surgery.**
- Please keep in mind that there may be additional fees for prescription medications, an E-collar, or a harness/sling.
- Please let the admitting nurse know if you will need an E-collar, sling, and/or a refill of any existing pain medication prescriptions.
  - **\*\* PLEASE NOTE: If refilling any medications, there will be an added cost at time of check out.**
- We will keep you updated as much as possible throughout the day on your pet's status. If you have any questions or concerns, you are welcome to call throughout the day to check on them.

Please call us at 352-901-6589 or send us an email at [info@lakecpc.com](mailto:info@lakecpc.com) with any questions.

Thank you,

Dr. Ferizolli and team at Lake CPC

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