

Surgery Discharge Instructions

Instructions after a SPAY:

Monitoring:

1. Please check the incision daily for signs of redness, swelling, discharge, or missing sutures.
2. If you pet stops eating, vomits, or becomes lethargic, please call LAH at 712-732-2033.
3. If you notice your pet licking or chewing the incision, please contact LAH for an Elizabethan collar.
4. Your pet may not swim or be bathed for 10 days or until the sutures are removed.
5. If skin sutures have been placed, please make an appointment in 10-14 days to have these removed.
6. You may notice some coughing due to the trach-tube, which should subside in a few days.

Exercise:

1. For the first week after surgery, your pet should not run, jump, or play with other animals. Dogs should be walked on a leash.
2. After 10-14 days, your pet may return to normal activity.

Pain Medication:

If the doctor has prescribed pain medication for your pet, please give according to label directions.

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## Instructions after a NEUTER:

### Monitoring:

1. Your pet may still be a little sleepy tonight. Please keep them inside, and feed them just half of their usual amount of food and a little water (no gulping). Keep them away from stairs unless they are supervised.
2. Please check the incision and scrotum daily for signs of redness, swelling, discharge, or missing sutures.
3. If you pet stops eating, vomits, or becomes lethargic, please call LAH at 712-732-2033.
4. If you notice your pet licking or chewing the incision, please contact LAH for an Elizabethan collar.
5. Your pet may not swim or be bathed for 10 to 14 days or until the sutures are removed.
6. If skin sutures have been placed, please make an appointment in 10-14 days to have these removed.
7. You may notice some coughing due to the trach-tube, which should subside in a few days.

### Exercise:

1. Your pet may run and jump, but should not play roughly with other animals for 10-14 days.
2. Encourage exercise after day 2 at home to reduce scrotal swelling

### Pain Medication:

If the doctor has prescribed pain medication for your pet, please give according to label directions.

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