



SURGICAL DISCHARGE INSTRUCTIONS: NEUTERED MALE DOGS

General Information:

Neutering is the surgical removal of the testicles. This procedure is performed to eliminate sexual activities and render the dog sterile. Neutering usually, but not always, reduces a dog's tendency to roam and fight. The general level of aggression may also be reduced. Neutering, however, is not a replacement for obedience training by the owner. In older dogs, neutering may be a medical recommendation due to diseases of the testicles or prostate gland. You should be aware that the effects of neutering your dog will not be immediate. There is a period of time, usually from 2 to 6 weeks that their behavior will continue as it had before the surgery. During this time, they will still be attracted to female dogs and can impregnate a female dog. As the hormone levels decline, the bad habits may also diminish.

Surgical Procedure:

Your pet was given a preoperative physical exam to help ensure its safety during anesthesia and surgery. The operation was performed under general anesthesia. Recovery is generally uneventful and aftercare is minimal.

Home Care:

- Diet: Feed the normal diet starting the day after surgery.
- Exercise: Restrict your pet's activity to on-leash walking for 5-7 days.
- Incision: Check the incision site at least once daily. Report any abnormalities to the doctor.
- Sutures: Bring your dog back for suture removal in 7 days if present.
- Special instructions: Discourage excessive licking and chewing at sutures.

Notify the Doctor if Any of the Following Occur:

- Your dog chews or damages the incision.
- Your dog seems depressed or refuses to eat.
- The incision is red, swollen or has any kind of discharge.

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