



How To Care For Your Pets Bandage

If your pet is sent home with a bandage on it is very important to manage it correctly.

It is important that every day you make a point of checking the bandage. Here are some points to watch out for:

- Has it slipped or moved position?
- Is there any noticeable swelling around the bandage at any point?
- If it is a leg bandage and the toes are visible, do they feel warm or are they swollen?
- Are there any nasty smells from the bandage?
- Is the bandage wet or dirty?
- If there are any wounds beneath the bandage, check that there is no seepage through the bandage.
- Also make sure that your pet is not licking the bandage – if so they may need a buster collar to prevent this. Licking of the bandage may indicate discomfort.
- Does your pet seem to be in any extreme discomfort?

If any of these points concern you or occur please contact the surgery, as we may need to re-examine or re-place the bandage.

The bandage materials that we use are not waterproof and so need to be kept dry, they also need to be kept clean. To ensure that this is possible a carrier bag may be used to cover the bandage whilst out exercising. The bag will need removing after exercise to prevent any condensation occurring, causing the bandage to become damp.

If you have any queries please contact the surgery for advise on 01692 403202