



POST-SEDATION CARE FOR CATS AND DOGS

RECOVERY

Most animals are much quieter than usual for at least 24 hours after a sedation, so make sure there is a bed in a warm, draught free and quiet place.

FEEDING

After a sedation (unless otherwise instructed) your pet may be offered water when she/he gets home and a diet recommended by the veterinary surgeon. Do not worry however if nothing is eaten that day. After a day or two, the appetite should return to normal.

GENERAL

If blood has been taken from your pet for various tests, you will notice the neck/leg area has been shaved.

STITCHES

Stitches are usually dissolvable unless otherwise stated. It is very important to prevent your pet from licking the wound as this delays healing and often leads to wound infections. You will be supplied with an Elizabethan collar and this is best left on all the time. Your pet will quickly adjust to it and can eat and sleep quite happily once used to it. The nurse will show you how to fit it. We cannot be held responsible for any additional charges being incurred if an animal interferes with a surgical wound. Pets must be kept in at all times when wearing a collar.

Pronounced swelling, reddening, weeping or bleeding of wounds should always be reported to us promptly.

Special instructions

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Please phone for advice if you are worried about any aspect of your pet's recovery - 01692 403202

Discharge checklist (Veterinary use only)

Wound checked

Cannula removed

Buster collar provided