Night before anesthesia instructions:

- 1) If your pet normally stays outdoors overnight, he/she must be kept indoors the evening before surgery. Make arrangements for them to be indoors 10-14 days for post-op recovery.
- 2) Your pet MUST have food withdrawn at 10pm the night before surgery. This ensures that the animal's stomach is empty by the time he/she is put under general anesthesia. This decreases the chances that the animal will vomit and aspirate the vomit into their lungs.

If your pet has eaten on the morning of surgery, please call us right away.

3) Your pet may have water prior to surgery.

You should have received this notice after your pet has had his/her pre-op exam. If your pet is on any medications please ask your Veterinarian if it's appropriate for them to be administered before the surgery.

At drop off: Please inform the staff of any medications that were administered or need to be administered.

We must have several phone numbers where you can be reached in case of an emergency. This will be located on the anesthesia consent form you will need to sign at drop off.

Please call us around 4pm if we have not contacted you before then to check the status of your pet.

After Surgery:

- 1) A Registered Veterinary Technician (RVT) will go over discharge instructions with you when you pick up and answer any questions you may have.
- 2) You may go home with medications. Any dietary changes will be discussed at dismissal.
- 3) You can expect your pet to be restricted to leash walk only and very limited exercise for 10-14 days post-surgery. Not restricting your pet could cause an incision to open up.
- 4) An Elizabethan or E-collar is available at your request for an additional cost. Please discuss this with the RVT at dismissal to decide if one is necessary.
- 5) There may be sutures to be removed; you will need to schedule a suture removal usually 10-14 days after the procedure. The RVT will discuss this with you as well.

We are here for you if you have any questions once you get home or have any issues.

Please call our office (443) 535-9257.

Pet's name:	_ Date of procedure:	
Dron off time: 8-9am	Pick up time: To be determined	