



Desert View Animal Hospital

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Dear _____,
Your pet _____ is scheduled for surgery on _____. Please have your pet at the clinic between 8:00 am and 8:30 am. In preparation for your pet's surgery please do not feed him/her after 10:00 pm the night before. Your pet may still have water up until the time you bring them in. All spays, declaws, hernia repairs and most non-elective procedures **MUST** stay overnight after surgery. Routine neuters, dentals and shorter procedures will usually go home after 4:30 pm the same day as the procedure. If you are unsure about when to pick your animal up please ask when you drop him/her off.

You will be asked several questions upon arriving that we would like you to review.

Pre-Anesthetic Bloodwork: \$56.03 (included blood draw fee)

We offer a pre-surgical blood screen. This screening helps alert our surgeon to the presence of dehydration, anemia, diabetes and/or kidney or liver disease that could complicate the procedure. These conditions may not be detected without a pre-anesthetic profile thus not allowing for the most appropriate and safest anesthetic regimen to be administered. These tests are similar to those your own physician would run if you were to undergo anesthesia. In addition, these tests may be useful if your pet's health changes to develop faster, more accurate diagnoses and treatments.

Intravenous Catheter with fluid administration: \$35

We will set your animal up with an IV catheter and give them fluids during their procedure. This helps maintain blood pressure and circulation during the surgery.

It also maintains hydration and improves recovery. The intravenous catheter also gives instant access to the circulation in the event of an anesthetic emergency. The IV catheter is strongly recommended for all spay or hernia repairs.

NOTE: Dogs over 9 years, giant breed dogs over 5 years and cats over 12 years of age or dog spays over 55 pounds will be required to have the bloodwork run and the IV catheter placed. If your pet is receiving a lengthy procedure or more than one procedure at a time, we will also require the IV catheter and fluids. Examples include: orthopedic procedures, spay with dental, or spay with lump removal.

Presurgical ECG: \$50

An ECG performed prior to surgery is recommended for animals with known heart conditions, thyroid problems, or very elderly animals (dogs > 12 years, giant breed dogs > 6 years, or cats > 14 years of age). The procedure may be performed at the doctor's discretion if there is a need for concern. ECG monitoring of the heart is performed throughout the procedure at no extra charge.

Microchip: \$35

A Microchip is a small chip placed in between the shoulder blades used for identification.

If your pet is lost it will give the information needed to reach you. Microchips do not track your animal or determine their location.

Vaccines:

All animals MUST be current on their vaccinations. We can administer them at the time of their surgery but they must at least have their distemper combo and rabies. If vaccines were given at another veterinary hospital please bring a vaccine certificate or other proof of vaccination or we will need to administer the vaccines again.

Please note: all municipalities require rabies be given by or under the direct supervision of a licensed vet. Rock Springs also has this requirement for the distemper combo vaccines (feline and canine).

Pain medication: \$10-\$74.01

All procedures get pain medication before the procedure. All spays, feline declaws, dentals with extractions, and extended/non-elective procedures will be sent home with pain medication. This will be an oral medication given daily for 3-5 days. You may opt to have go-home pain medications for neuters and short procedures.

We pride ourselves on providing the best possible care for your animal. We realize surgery and anesthesia are scary for both the owner and patient and we attempt to make surgery day safe and comfortable for all involved. The exam and testing done prior to any surgical procedure allows us to best minimize anesthetic and surgical risks and maximize patient safety. With all surgeries we provide heart, respiratory and blood pressure monitoring during the procedure.

If you are unable to make your appointment for surgery or dental procedure it is very important that you call to cancel at least 24 hours before you are scheduled to bring your pet in. **A \$30 MISSED SURGERY FEE WILL BE ASSESSED IF NO ATTEMPT TO CANCEL OR RESCHEDULE HAS BEEN MADE.** If your pet is scheduled for surgery on a Monday then please leave a message with the answering service with the cancellation request before 8:00 am Monday morning. We have many other patients that could use your surgery time and we would greatly appreciate the courtesy of a phone call.

Please fill out the enclosed consent form(s) prior to dropping your animal off for surgery. Make sure all appropriate areas are initialed or signed. This will expedite the check-in process and help to shorten your wait time.

Please also note that you may be asked to provide half of the estimated cost of the procedure as a deposit at the time you drop off your pet. This especially applies to non-elective procedures such as fracture repairs and dental cleaning and treatments.

Thank you for choosing Desert View Animal Hospital for all of your pet's veterinary needs. If you have any concerns or questions please feel free to call our staff at (307) 362-3184 and we will gladly answer them.

Thank You,

The Staff at Desert View Animal Hospital