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Pre-operative instructions for your cat

Your cat has been booked for _____ on _____

ALL pets in this practice are anaesthetised with safes and modern veterinary anaesthetics as standard, therefore minimising risks. Please expect some areas of your pet to be shaved to allow medication to be given and monitoring equipment to be used.

To ensure that your cat is ready for admission, and procedures run smoothly on the day please follow the following instructions unless specifically told otherwise.

Please bring your cat to the surgery at _____am on the morning of the operation. Your cat should be as clean and dry as possible in preparation for going into an operating theatre.

No food should be given after 8pm the evening before surgery. Water should be available overnight.

Please keep your cat confined to the house overnight with access to a litter tray, to ensure that they have no access to food.

Before any anaesthetic or surgical procedures can begin we must, by law, have a consent form completed. This can be signed by the owner or an agent acting on the owner's behalf, but they must be over the age of eighteen.

You may want to consider your cat having a pre-operative blood profile performed immediately prior to surgery, to establish any underlying conditions that may affect our choice of anaesthetic. We especially recommend this for pets over 8 years of age. There is an extra charge for this service.

We will require a contact number where we can reach you all day, or if you are unavailable an agent who can act on your behalf. We need this just in case we have to speak to you about treatment, or we find something unexpected and require your permission to act up on it.

Please phone the surgery between the hours of 2-3pm. We will then be able to tell you how your cat is and at what time your pet will be ready for collection. A post operative care sheet will be given to you when you collect your cat from the surgery.

Please note that payment is required when your pet is collected.

If you have any queries or concerns please do not hesitate to contact the surgery.

In an **emergency outside of normal hours** please call **01450 372038** to talk to an on-call member of our vet team