



Dog Post Operative Notes : Surgical

Patient:

Client:

Procedure:

Every patient recovers differently from an anaesthetic. Please adhere to the following guidelines:

- Lead exercise or strict rest for .....days to reduce the risk of damaging sutures/surgical wound and to keep area clean.
- Fed small amounts of a bland diet e.g. white fish/ chicken and rice or scrambled egg for 24 hours.
- Bandages must be kept clean and dry at all times. A plastic bag can be used when taking the patient outside, this should be secured with bandage not elastic bands and removed once inside.
- It is important that the patient does not lick or chew any surgical wound as this will result in infection and reduce healing, for this reason we may send the patient home with an Elizabethan collar.
- Blood spotting from the wound is common and should resolve within 24 hours, please contact the surgery if at all worried.

It is important to note that after an anaesthetic there may be no bowel movements for 3-4 days, but urine should be passed within 24 hours. The patient should not vomit. Hair will have been clipped for the surgical procedure and to enable venous access to administer medication and/or draw blood for sampling.

You may have been supplied medication to assist your Dog in their recovery

Medication:

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Re-examine:

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Please do not hesitate to contact the surgery if you have any concerns