## HERITAGE ANIMAL HOSPITAL, LTD.

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Client	Patient	Appt. Date
Procedure(s)		Appointment Time

## INFORMATION ABOUT YOUR PET'S UPCOMING ANESTHESIA/SURGERY

Your dog is being admitted for anesthesia/surgery. At Heritage Animal Hospital, Ltd. we take many steps to minimize the risk of anesthesia to your pet. These include a physical examination performed by a veterinarian prior to anesthesia, the use of isoflurane inhaled anesthesia, anesthesia monitoring by a certified veterinary technician, as well as the use of a cardiac, respiratory, blood pressure and body temperature monitor.

You can help ensure your pet's safety by not feeding him/her (water is ok) after 8 p.m. the evening before the procedure, and by notifying us of any pre-existing health concerns that you are aware of (eg. diabetes, seizures, kidney disease, liver disease, heart disease etc.). It is also important to let us know what over the counter or prescribed medications your dog is currently being treated with.

If your pet is staying overnight, bring along a portion of his/her normal diet. Dogs are more likely to eat their familiar food and will less likely have gastrointestinal upset. Your dog may be fitted with an Elizabethan collar after surgery to protect the surgical site. Sometimes a t-shirt or a surgery recovery onesie, that can be ordered online, may be used instead.

Sometimes pre-existing conditions are present that may not be evident physically. For this reason, we recommend pre-anesthetic blood profiles for all dogs scheduled for an anesthetic procedure. This profile includes 15 tests. These tests will check liver, kidney and pancreatic enzymes, measure blood glucose and electrolytes (4 minerals in the body) and test for anemia and protein levels. Depending of your dog's age and current health, additional tests may be recommended.

We administer pain medication before, during and after the procedure to ensure patient comfort. Pain management plans vary depending on the type of surgery being done. The doctor/staff will discuss these with you prior to surgery.

You may wish to consider Microchipping your dog for permanent identification while undergoing anesthesia.

During admission of your pet to the hospital, please feel free to discuss the pre-anesthetic profile or Microchipping in more detail. You will be asked if you approve these recommended steps.

For your convenience, we accept: cash/check/master card/visa/discover