

American Animal Care Center
37177 Fremont Blvd. Fremont, CA 94536
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Owner's Name: _____
Pet's Name: _____
Next Appointment: _____

CANINE NEUTER/SPAY
Post Surgical Instructions

Your pet has undergone general anesthesia during surgery and will require special aftercare.

FEEDING: Do not feed your pet at once when you reach home. Offer small amounts of food 3-4 hours after arriving home and gradually increase the amount of food over the next 24 hours. Normal amounts of food can be given the following day. It is not unusual for your pet to refuse food for a day or two after the surgery.

ACTIVITY: No strenuous activity, NO EXCESSIVE RUNNING OR JUMPING AROUND, especially if traditional surgery has been performed (i.e. surgery without laser). Dogs should be restricted to leash walking.

MEDICINES: Start the medicines the following day of the surgery.

Please call our office if you notice any of the following symptoms:

- Loss of appetite for more than 2 days
- Refusal to drink water for more than a day
- Depression
- Weakness
- Elevated or sub-normal temperature
- Vomiting and/or diarrhea
- Look at the incision site daily and keep it clean. Notify us if there's any discharge, swelling, or other signs of infection.

KEEP BUSTER COLLAR ON, especially for pets who show a propensity to lick their stitches.

STITCHES: Absorbable/Non-Absorbable