

Preparing your pet for surgery:

- ❖ The night before surgery, your pet may have food and water up until midnight.
- ❖ Please do not offer them any food or water on the day of surgery.
- ❖ **DROP OFF:** Arrive at our PAWS facility between 7:30-8:30am on the day of surgery; 285 John R Rice Blvd, Murfreesboro, TN 37129. Park on the side of our building that has the flag pole.
- ❖ We have a “take a buzzer” system, when you arrive, please take a numbered buzzer and then wait in your car until you are called into the room.
- ❖ We make our best effort to check you in as quickly as possible. However, since we schedule up to 30 animals for surgery each day, you may not be checked in completely until 9am.
- ❖ Please have your pets on a well-fitted collar/harness and leash (dogs) or in a secure carrier (dogs/cats) or in a pillowcase (cats).
- ❖ Be ready to present your ID and your pet when you come in the building. The address on your ID must match the address on the application, or you must bring in proof of your current residence in the form of a utility bill, lease, or other bill.
- ❖ Your pet will be scanned for microchip and a photo of your pet will be taken. The owner listed with the microchip must sign the consent forms.
- ❖ If your pet has a current rabies license, please be aware that the owner listed on the rabies certificate must be the person to sign the surgery consent form.
- ❖ If someone other than the owner of the pet, including spouses, will be dropping off for surgery, then the owner will need to fill out a surgery consent form and permission form *prior to the date* of surgery.
- ❖ **PICK UP:** You may pick your pet up between **4:00-5:30pm** the *same day* of surgery.
- ❖ You will be sent home with after-care instructions when you pick your pet up from surgery.

If you have any questions, or need to change or cancel your appointment please call:

(615) 898-7740 Ext. 2115 to leave a message.

To speed up the check in process, prior to your appointment date please email proof of residency and/or copy of rabies certificate (if required) to:

PAWSSurgery@rutherfordcountyttn.gov

Please Note: If you miss your appointment you may have to wait 8-12 weeks for another one.