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## Anesthesia Information and Consent Form

Patient: \_\_\_\_\_ Date of Procedure: \_\_\_\_\_

Your pet is scheduled to undergo \_\_\_\_\_, requiring the administration of anesthetic agents. We at Westside Animal Hospital will perform this procedure with all reasonable care and precautions.

### **PRE-ANESTHETIC BLOODWORK**

The majority of pets will undergo this procedure with no difficulties; however, some conditions, which may influence the effect of anesthesia on your pet's body, may not be evident on physical examination alone. To better ensure your pet's safety and ability to tolerate anesthesia, we recommend a pre-anesthetic blood screening that will help assess proper organ function and aid in ruling out pre-existing internal problems. The pre-anesthetic screen is a 7-test panel that checks blood sugar, blood protein, kidney function, liver function, and red blood cell count. Modern laboratory equipment allows us to perform these tests and obtain results within minutes prior to anesthesia. If you would like this pre-anesthetic bloodwork performed, at a cost of \$46.50, please check or initial below.

\_\_\_\_\_ I request the pre-anesthetic bloodwork.

\_\_\_\_\_ I decline the pre-anesthetic bloodwork.

### **PAIN CONTROL**

Most surgical procedures cause at least mild to moderate pain or discomfort. This will be managed with pain medication while your pet is here in the hospital. We typically also send home oral pain tablets to be given for 3-4 days after returning home.

### **MICROCHIPPING**

We offer microchipping for your pet as a means of permanent identification. An ideal time for this procedure is while your pet is already anesthetized. The cost for the microchip and placement is \$52.50. Lifetime registration is free. Please check or initial below.

\_\_\_\_\_ I would like to have my pet microchipped.

\_\_\_\_\_ I decline microchipping.

### **CONTACT INFORMATION**

Please provide telephone number(s) where you may be reached the day of the procedure.

Name (Please Print)

Telephone number

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Please read information on other side.

## PREPARATION

Please follow the steps outlined to prepare your pet for the operation/procedure. This information is provided with your pet's safety in mind.

- No food after 8:00 P.M. the evening before your appointment. Water may still be given.
- Drop off your pet at 8:00 A.M. the morning of your appointment OR between 4:00 P.M. and 6:00 P.M. the evening before (weekdays only).
- Your pet must have had all appropriate vaccinations (Rabies and Distemper complex) within the last 12 months in order to undergo the specified procedure(s). If the box below is checked, we have no record of vaccination status.
  - Please bring documentation of vaccination.**
- **Please allow at least 5 - 10 minutes on the morning of your pet's appointment to get checked in.**
- The doctor may not be available for consultation the morning of your pet's surgery. If you have any special questions or concerns, please discuss with the doctor ahead of time.

## HOSPITAL/SURGICAL INFORMATION

- **Preparation** — For patients undergoing surgery, the skin surrounding the surgical area will be clipped of fur and scrubbed with an antiseptic. The surgical equipment we use will be sterilized, and surgery personnel will antiseptically scrub and wear gloves, masks, caps, and gowns during the operation.
- **Anesthesia** — General anesthesia is used unless otherwise specified. The anesthetic agent(s) used will be specially selected with your pet's age, health status, and the type of procedure to be performed in mind.
- **Operative Monitoring** — We are equipped to monitor heart rate, respiration, blood pressure, ECG, and blood oxygen saturation. Our trained veterinary technicians monitor your pet throughout the procedure.
- **Hospitalization** — Please be aware that some surgical procedures require an overnight stay; feel free to ask about your pet's expected length of stay. You may also schedule a tentative discharge time. Please be aware that our office is closed from 12:30 – 1:30 P.M. weekdays.

## POSTOPERATIVE CARE

Following the procedure, your pet is transferred to the Intensive Care Unit to be monitored during recovery. Both staff and doctors will check your pet routinely during the hospital stay. You may call after 11:00 A.M. to obtain your pet's condition. We will meet with you before taking your pet home and will provide you with release instructions.

## FOR ANIMAL SHELTER SPAYS AND NEUTERS

Please be advised that we will apply your shelter spay/neuter certificate's face value toward the surgical fee; however, you are responsible for the remaining balance of the fee. Please ask ahead of time if you have questions.

*I have read and understand the preceding information, and I agree to the indicated procedure(s). I understand that payment is due at the time my pet is discharged. I also understand that I may request a written estimate for expected charges.*

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Signature of Owner or Responsible Agent

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Date

***If you discover you cannot keep your appointment,  
please call our office as soon as possible.***