

# Neepawa Veterinary Clinic

## PRE SPAY/NEUTER INFORMATION

Your pet should not have any food or treats after 10 p.m. the night before the procedure (Unless otherwise noted). Water should be available at all times. Walk your dog before coming into the clinic. Collect a fecal sample if produced. Plan on arriving between 8 a.m. to 8:30 a.m. the morning of the procedure (unless otherwise arranged). Allow for time to read and sign an authorization form. You will be given a written estimate of scheduled services. We will call you when your pet is in recovery and the procedures have been completed.

When your pet is in for a scheduled service there are some other services that might be of benefit to you and your pet. You may authorize these services when your pet is admitted in the morning, or anytime before your pet is in recovery. Provided here is some information to allow you to make an educated decision.

1. We can perform an in-house preanesthesia Bloodwork. (\$XX.)

We recommend this profile at a minimum. It allows us to find out enough about your pet's electrolytes, blood proteins, kidney and liver function, as well as the percentage of red cells and levels of electrolytes to better insure your pet's ability to undergo a smooth anesthesia. This information will help us help your pet through and after today's procedures. This also provides us with a baseline of what is normal in your pet. If your pet is ever sick, we can compare it to your pet's actual normal values.

2. We recommend a fecal examination to insure your pet is rid of internal parasites. (\$XX.)
3. We recommend retained baby teeth be extracted if your pet is 6 months old or older. (\$XX.)

Retained baby teeth will cause early dental disease if left in. Typically, if your pet is older than 6 months, these retained teeth are unlikely to fall out on their own after 6 months of age. Pain medication may be administered if deemed reasonable. The charge is based on the amount of time required to extract these teeth.

4. We can correct umbilical hernias. (\$XX.)
5. If your pet is not yet Microchipped, today we can perform the simple injection to permanently identify your pet (\$XX).

Bottom line, if you want your pet back, should they become separated from you, you want your pet microchipped. Virtually all humane societies and animal control agencies scan pets for microchips. Most lost pets somehow have lost their collars.

6. We can tattoo you pet. (\$XX.)

This is another form of identification that allows people to easily see that a pet belongs to someone. The tattoo is specific to your pet and can be cross-referenced to get your pet returned to you.

7. We recommend eyelid corrective surgery if the eyelids roll inwards (entropion) or outwards (ectropion) so as to be disturbing the eye. (\$XX.)

If the lids roll in, the hair of the lids rub on the cornea, the eyes are under constant irritation, and corneal ulcers may develop. If the lids roll out (less common) the eyes may not close properly, nor be able to protect the eye as needed. The eyes may not be able to be kept moist across the full surface of the cornea, or may collect excessive debris, which cause chronic irritation.

8. Dogs that will be hunted or worked in the field should have their dewclaws removed. (\$XX)

These claws are more likely to become injured in working dogs. They can be removed on household dogs also. Pain medication will be used if the front dewclaws are removed.

9. Any warts, skin tags, cysts or other lumps can be appropriately removed. (\$XX.)

Please be prepared to indicate which lumps, etc you wish removed. We will provide you with a diagram to map out the lumps you wish addressed. List the total number of lumps you wish removed. If warranted, tissues will be sent in to the lab for a biopsy report.

10. We can easily perform the following grooming procedures: Toe nail trims, Ear Hygiene (plucking hair out of the ears and/or cleaning), Brushing or Clipping out mats, Bathing, Expressing anal sacs. Several of these services are less costly when completed under anesthesia or sedation.

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