



Merrimac Valley  Animal Hospital

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What you need to know when your pet is having anesthesia

Your pet is in good hands. The surgery team at MVAH is very experienced and capable. They are dedicated to making this day as comfortable and stress free for all. We know that you may have questions about your pet's procedure and we want you to have ample opportunity to talk with the staff and doctors. Call us anytime to discuss your concerns.

NIGHT BEFORE PROCEDURE:

- ❑ Do not feed your pet after 8pm tonight. They may have access to water overnight.

MORNING OF PROCEDURE:

- ❑ No breakfast! If your pet is diabetic do not feed them in the morning but give them one half (1/2) of their regular insulin dose. Pets on oral medications should receive their morning dose with just a tiny bit of food if necessary.
- ❑ Allow dogs the chance to urinate and defecate before they arrive at the hospital
- ❑ Arrive at MVAH at your appointed time and if possible, have all related admission forms completed. If they have not been completed in advance you will complete them in the office.
- ❑ Leave a phone number where you can be reached during the day.
- ❑ Schedule a discharge time.

Note: Admission of your pet can take 5-20 minutes the morning of the procedure. Call ahead if you would like to complete admission forms in advance.

You may call anytime during the day for an update on your pet and their procedure.