JEFFERSON ROAD ANIMAL HOSPITAL

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Thank you for scheduling your pet's surgery with us! We have		scheduled for a
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Below you will find a checklist that will help you prepare your pet for his or her visit. Please feel free to call us at 765-457-5521 if you have any questions or concerns.

PRESURGICAL CHECKLIST

- 1. To further enhance the safety of your pet's stay with us and post-operative recovery, we will require the following tests prior to your pet's procedure:
- **Pre-anesthetic bloodwork-** Modern anesthetics and surgical techniques have made these procedures extremely safe for your pet. However, anesthesia is never trivial. Almost all anesthetics are removed from the body by either the kidneys or liver. Perfectly normal appearing patients will occasionally have serious problems with these organs or may be anemic. To properly evaluate your pet's ability to utilize and metabolize the drugs needed and to help maximize safety, the following tests are required and will be performed prior to anesthesia. If your pet is over 10 years of age, we will require a complete workup consisting of a General Health Profile in addition to a Complete Blood Count.
- 2. In order to prevent the introduction of contagious diseases, for your pet's safety, our staff, and for the safety of other hospitalized patients, it is essential that each animal have had his or her annual vaccinations (including Intratrac for kennel cough in dogs), stool exam for parasite eggs within the last six months, and a negative heartworm test (dogs only) within the last year, in addition to their normal Rabies and DHPP or RCP shots.
- 3. ***We gladly accept vaccine records and test results if done for some reason at another veterinary hospital. If this is the case, you MUST BRING YOUR PET'S RECORDS OR RECEIPT WITH YOU!
- 4. For most procedures, food will need to be withheld prior to surgery. Please **do not allow your pet access to food after 8:00 p.m. the evening before surgery.** No food should be given the morning of surgery. Water **does not need** to be restricted before surgery. ***If you have a puppy or kitten under 4 months of age, please allow him or her access to food until midnight, or whenever you retire for the evening.
- 5. Please bring your pet to the hospital the morning of the surgery between 7:00 am and 7:30 am. For your convenience, you are welcome to drop your pet off the evening BEFORE surgery at no additional cost.
- 6. With few exceptions, most surgeries will be completed by 12:00 noon. You will be contacted by telephone as soon as your pet has recovered from anesthesia. We will ask you to provide us with a phone number where we can reach you for a post-surgical update. Thank you for taking the time to read over this material. When dropping off your pet, please allow a few minutes for the check-in process. A discharge appointment will be scheduled at the time of drop off for you to talk with the doctor when picking up your pet for take home instructions. These appointments are typically scheduled during the hours of 4-6pm the day of discharge.

Our hospital is located on Jefferson Road, one block west of Dixon Road, on the south side of the road. If you need more specific directions, please call our office at 457-5521.