

American Heritage Animal Hospital Surgery Release Form

I _____, Owner of _____ have authority to give consent and
(your name) (pet's name)
herby authorize the performance of the following procedure(s) and/or operation(s) on my above named pet:

(Procedure your pet is here for)

I understand that unforeseen conditions may be revealed that necessitate an extension or different procedures(s) and/or operation(s) than those set forth above. **I am acknowledging that I understand that there are risks involved with any anesthetic episode and accept this risk for my pet without liability to AHAH, it's doctors or it's staff members.** I recognize that the doctors/staff will take all necessary precautions to minimize these risks as much as possible. All pets are closely monitored throughout the entire procedure and anesthetic episode, including during recovery. Your pet's mucous membrane color, heart rate and rhythm, respirations and oxygen level are continuously checked by our staff and anesthetic monitoring equipment.

***** In the extremely rare and unforeseen event that your pet should undergo cardiopulmonary arrest during anesthesia or during recovery from anesthesia please initial your preferred treatment. *****

_____ Perform CPR (including giving injections, fluid therapy, oxygen, chest compressions etc.)

***CPR can incur additional charges UP to \$100**

_____ **DO NOT perform CPR or any other life saving measures on my pet**

Bloodwork

Many conditions, including disorders of the liver, kidneys and/or blood, are not detected unless the proper blood testing is performed. Such tests are especially important before any anesthetic procedure. Our laboratory is equipped to perform these tests, with the results immediately available for review by our Veterinarians. Please place you initials by your chosen response.

_____ I request a CBC (\$65.00) (Recommended for pets under 1yr)

_____ I request a complete blood chemistry/CBC (\$125) (Required for pets 8 years and older, Recommended for all pets 1-7yrs)

_____ IV Catheter (\$40.00) Allows for immediate administration of medications if needed. (Required for pets 8 years and older)

_____ FELV/FIV testing (\$ 60.00) (Strongly recommend for cats with unknown history). **These diseases dramatically increase a pet's anesthetic risk and affect the way that we care for your cat before, during and after the procedure.

_____ **I Decline bloodwork at this time (pet must be <8yrs old). I understand that my pet may be at increased risk while under anesthesia.**

Pain Relief

Most animals may feel discomfort after their procedure. We give pain medications at the time of surgery that last for approximately 12-24hrs after surgery to assist in a pain free recovery. The cost will be \$35.00.

_____ please initial

Would you like any other procedure with your visit today? Please initial all that apply!

_____ Nail Trim (\$15.00)

_____ Microchipping (\$45.00) (recommended for ALL pets)

_____ Ear cleaning (\$13.00)

_____ Express anal glands (\$19.50)

Flea control will be given to your pet if fleas are found when your pet is presented for surgery. We use the Capstar pill for dogs and cats which costs \$8.00.

_____ please initial

By signing this document, I certify that I have read this document in its entirety and understand it. I hereby consent to and authorize the doctor at American Heritage Animal Hospital to perform the above procedures and I fully understand the risks involved. I realize that results cannot be guaranteed and that my financial obligation remains regardless of the outcome. I also understand that no staff will be attending to my pet overnight (pets needing close monitoring may be referred to a 24 hr hospital).

I assume FULL financial responsibility for this animal and any/all treatments that may be required. I am aware that payment in full is due at the time my pet is released from the hospital.

Signature

Date

Phone # where we can call you after surgery: _____ Alternate # _____

Phone # where we can text you after surgery: _____ Alternate # _____

DENTAL CLEANINGS

Every effort will be made to preserve as many teeth as possible, however, there are many instances where diseased teeth are identified prior to or during the actual dental procedure. **It is the policy of American Heritage Animal Hospital to, based on the doctor's professional judgment, extract any dead, loose, or severely damaged teeth at the time of the dental cleaning.** Dental extractions can range from \$8.00-\$20.00 per tooth based on the number of teeth extracted and the difficulty of the extractions. Please initial your selection below.

_____ **Extract teeth as necessary based on doctor's discretion.** A pain injection WILL be given to pets that have dental extractions. This injection costs \$35.00.

_____ **DO NOT perform extractions.** I understand that by not removing unhealthy, loose, broken or decaying teeth, I am putting my pet at risk for complications including, but not limited to:

- * tooth root abscesses
- * bone loss and weakening of the jaw bone
- * bone infections
- * Kidney infections
- * Lung infections,
- * Heart disease

I realize that AHAH, its doctors and its staff are not liable for any future complications related to teeth that were not extracted.

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