

NIGHT BEFORE ANESTHESIA AND/OR SURGERY

Register Online: Time saving tip: register your pet online or print info at New Patient.

If your pet has been scheduled for anesthesia to perform dental cleaning or surgical procedure, please ensure the following the night before:

Outdoor Pets: If the pet normally stays outdoor overnight, he/she must stay indoor the evening before surgery.

Withholding Food:

- **Pets over 4 months or over 10 lb** ----- withhold food after midnight.
- **Pets under 4 months or under 10 lb** ----- make food available until 6:00 AM (the day of anesthesia/surgery).

Note: It's better to follow the guidelines above, but if you inadvertently feed your pet in the morning, the anesthetic requirements still have most likely been met. The actual fasting requirement now is 2-4 hours.

Don't Withhold Water: Water should not be withdrawn prior to surgery.

ON THE DAY OF ANESTHESIA/SURGERY

We recommend following items to be performed while you pet is under anesthesia:

- Microchip
- Pedicure
- Anal gland expression
- Deep ear cleaning
- Ear hair removal