

Becker Veterinary Clinic

Surgical and Hospitalization Authorization for Cats.

All animals are given a physical examination prior to surgery.

I authorize Becker Veterinary Clinic to:

- Do only those procedures discussed or included in the estimate. You will be called with any additional recommendations. **In the event of a medical emergency necessary care will be provided (at additional cost) for all patients and owners will be called immediately.*
- Do whatever is necessary for my animal(s) (such as clean ears, express anal glands, simple tooth extractions, etc). These additional procedures are not to exceed \$_____

Your pet will be undergoing general anesthesia. We recommend animals undergoing general anesthesia have an IV catheter placed and IV fluids administered. Fluids help keep blood pressure stable, maintaining good blood flow to vital organs. A catheter also allows immediate access to their circulatory system should we need to administer any emergency therapy. Without a catheter, these drugs can be difficult to administer and emergency care can be delayed. Finally, numerous studies have shown that middle age and older pets recover from surgery more quickly when they have been given IV fluids during anesthesia.

- Yes, I would like my cat to have the IV plan. (Cost is \$81.00 or per estimate)
- No, I would not like the IV plan at this time.

A pre-anesthetic blood profile could reduce the risks of anesthesia by detecting problems with the liver and kidneys. These two major internal organs are responsible for eliminating most of the anesthetic agents from the body. Although most patients have optimally functioning livers and kidneys, there are a few pets with undetected problems. Pre-surgical screening gives us an opportunity to identify those pets. We strongly encourage pre-anesthetic screening, particularly for pets 7 years of age and older as organ function is more likely to decline with age.

- Yes, I would like the pre-anesthetic blood work done for my pet.
 - Pre-anesthetic profile (recommended for pets under 7 years of age) cost=\$71.50
 - General Health profile (recommended for pets over 7 years of age) cost=\$89.50
- No, I would like to decline blood work for my pet at this time.

The American Association of Feline Practitioners and the Academy of Feline Medicine recommend that all cats have a blood test for Feline Immunodeficiency Virus (FIV) and Feline Leukemia Virus (Felv), which both cause chronic suppression of the immune system. Two to three percent of all normal, healthy appearing cats in the U.S. are FIV or Felv positive! Our clinic utilizes a combination test for both FIV and Felv, which costs \$55.00

- Yes, I would like to have my cat tested for FIV/Felv.
- No, I would like to decline the test at this time.

Feline intestinal parasites, such as roundworms and hookworms are potentially infectious to people and can cause serious illness in children. A fecal exam should be run yearly to screen for intestinal parasites. Would you like us to try to collect a fresh stool sample and test for parasites?

- Yes, check my pet's stool. (Cost is \$23.25).
- No, I would not like my pet's stool checked for internal parasites at this time.
- Please send home deworming medication for my pet, but do not check stool.

AKC CAR (Companion Animal Recovery) ID System microchip can identify and help recover lost pets. Once the microchip is placed, the unique encoded number on the implanted microchip must be registered with the Companion Animal Recovery Database (CAR). The AKC CAR microchip comes with a lifetime enrollment in a nationwide lost pet recovery database. The cost is \$31.50 (50% off regular price when done at time of surgery).

- Yes, microchip my animal for permanent identification.
- No, I am not interested in having my pet microchipped at this time.

Some conditions require additional surgery time and there will be additional charges. These include:

*In heat: \$15.00-\$30.00

*Overweight: \$10.00-\$30.00

*Early Pregnancy: \$15.00-\$50.00

*Cryptorchid: \$35.00-\$250.00

*Late Pregnancy: \$40.00-\$70.00

*Umbilical Hernia: \$40.00-\$100.00

Hospitalized patients are not attended overnight. Overnight monitoring can be provided by Affiliated Emergency Veterinary Services in St. Cloud or Coon Rapids and it is recommended for animals that are sick or need special care.

I authorize the Becker Veterinary Clinic to perform the surgical/hospitalization service(s) listed below for my animal(s). I understand the clinic will take all reasonable measures to ensure the safety of my animal(s). I also understand there is a risk (possibly including illness and death) with any procedure, particularly anesthesia, and the clinic is not liable for this.

Service(s) to be done today: _____

Payment in full is due at time of discharge. We accept most major credit cards, debit cards, cash or check payment options.

*All animals entering the clinic must be free of fleas or they will be treated upon entry at their owner's expense.

I have read and understand the content of this release form.

Signature of owner or responsible agent

Date

Phone # where we can reach you regarding your pet's care

Name of Animal(s)