

# **BRIDGEWATER VETERINARY HOSPITAL**

## **HOSPITAL ADMITTING INSTRUCTIONS**

Date: \_\_\_\_\_

Patient: \_\_\_\_\_ Owner: \_\_\_\_\_

Procedure: \_\_\_\_\_

### **Pre-Admission Instructions:**

- Do not allow your pet food or water after 7:00 p.m. the night before hospitalization. Special instructions may be necessary for individual cases.

### **Hospital Admission:**

- Drop off time is between 8:00 and 8:30 a.m. the day of the procedure unless instructed differently. A staff member will admit your pet into the hospital.
- Collars, leashes and pet carriers will be returned to you upon admittance.
- Phone numbers will be verified so we know where to reach you during the day.
- At least a 50% deposit will be necessary at the time of drop off. We will gladly prepare a written estimate for you.
- Please advise our staff of any medical conditions prior to surgery (seizures, etc.).

### **Anesthesia and Surgery:**

- In most cases a sedative will be given to your pet soon after admission to the hospital. This will help to alleviate any anxiety your pet may be experiencing. In many cases a catheter will be placed in a vein which will require shaving a small area of your pet's leg.
- Every precaution will be taken while your pet is anesthetized to avoid any problems. Cardiac and respiratory functions will be constantly monitored by the doctors and the staff throughout the procedure, recovery, and the entire hospital stay. You will be phoned when the procedure is completed with a report on your pet's condition.
- We understand your concern when your pet undergoes a procedure, and we promise to call as soon as possible after your pet has recovered.

### **Discharge from the Hospital:**

- A staff member will settle your account balance, discuss discharge instructions and schedule a follow up visit before your pet is discharged from the hospital. Payment is required in full by means of cash, check, Visa, Discover, or Mastercard, before your pet is discharged from the hospital.
- It is essential to follow the Hospital Discharge instructions exactly, to ensure a speedy recovery for your pet. If you have any questions, or believe your pet is suffering any complications from the procedure, do not hesitate to call us!

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