

**PLEASE READ THE FOLLOWING AND IF THERE ARE ANY FURTHER QUESTIONS WE WILL GO OVER THEM AT DISCHARGE**

**MOST CATS DO VERY WELL AFTER THEIR PROCEDURE, BUT THEY HAVE JUST HAD ABDOMINAL SURGERY. YOU MAY PICK YOUR CAT UP BY THE CHEST AREA AND CUPPING THEIR BACK LEGS. PLEASE DO NOT CARRY THEM AROUND, BUT LET THEM SLEEP OFF THEIR ANESTHETIC QUIETLY IN A WARM COMFORTABLE PLACE. SOME ARE QUITE COMFORTABLE IN THEIR CRATES OR A SMALL ROOM SUCH AS THE BATHROOM**

**YOUR CAT MAY BE A BIT 'SLEEPY' FOR THE NEXT 24 HOURS. PLEASE MONITOR YOUR PET. CATS LIKE TO HIDE, SO PLEASE KEEP THEM IN A ROOM WHERE YOU CAN MONITOR THEM DURING RECOVERY FROM THEIR PROCEDURE.**

**ANESTHETIC:** *EACH ANIMAL RECOVERS FROM ANESTHETIC AT A DIFFERENT RATE. SOME ANIMALS ARE BACK TO NORMAL WITHIN 24 HOURS AND SOME MAY TAKE AS LONG AS 2-3 DAYS TO FULLY RECUPERATE.*

**LICKING THE INCISION:** *ANIMALS WILL OFTEN LICK AT THE INCISION SITE. THIS IS USUALLY DUE TO THE ITCHING CAUSED BY BEING CLOSELY SHAVEN. OCCASIONALLY, IT MAY BE THE RESULT OF IRRITATION FROM THE SUTURE MATERIAL OR HEAT CREATED FROM THE SURGICAL LASER.*

*AVOID EXCESSIVE LICKING. WE OFFER A ELIZABETHAN CONE, IF YOU DID NOT TAKE ONE, YOU CAN TRY A T-SHIRT OR GO TO YOUR LOCAL PET STORE AS THEY ARE USUALLY OPEN LATER HOURS.*

**SUTURES:** *USUALLY THERE IS ONE DISSOLVING SUTURE HOLDING THE SKIN EDGES TOGETHER ALONG WITH SURGICAL SKIN GLUE. IF YOUR PET HAS LICKED/CHEWED OUT THIS SUTURE, THERE ARE SEVERAL LAYERS REMAINING, BUT IT IS IMPERATIVE TO PUT A CONE ON TO PREVENT FURTHER INCISION DAMAGE OR INFECTION. NOTIFY US AND WE CAN REPLACE THE SUTURE IF NECESSARY. IT IS NOT USUALLY AN EMERGENCY UNLESS THEY HAVE GOTTEN INTO THE DEEPER LAYERS OF THE INCISION. IT IS IMPERATIVE TO PREVENT FURTHER DAMAGE BY PUTTING A CONE OR T-SHIRT ON.*

**FOOD AND WATER:** *FEED SMALL AMOUNTS TONIGHT. YOUR CAT MAY NOT BE INTERESTED IN EATING OR MAY VOMIT. THIS CAN BE NORMAL AFTER ANESTHETIC/SURGERY. IF IT CONTINUES BEYOND 24 HOURS, PLEASE NOTIFY US.*

**EXERCISE:** *WE REALIZE THAT IT IS DIFFICULT TO RESTRICT A CAT'S EXERCISE. DISCOURAGE EXCESSIVE JUMPING ETC IF POSSIBLE. REMEMBER TO KEEP THEM IN AN AREA YOU CAN MONITOR THEM. IT IS AMAZING WHERE CAT'S CAN HIDE!*

**EMERGENCY: PLEASE NOTIFY US IF YOUR CAT DEVELOPS ANY OF THE FOLLOWING: PERSISTENT VOMITING AND/OR DIARRHEA, SEVERE PAIN, CONSTANT LICKING AT THE INCISION SITE OR ANY CHANGE IN GENERAL HEALTH OR BEHAVIOUR.**

**EMAIL [claremontvet1993@aol.com](mailto:claremontvet1993@aol.com) or text during business hours 905-490-1993  
Call 905-649-1993 and press option 3 to leave a message.**

**YOU CAN ALSO SEND A PICTURE IF YOU ARE CONCERNED ABOUT THE INCISION. WE ARE ALSO HAPPY TO RECHECK THE INCISION AT NO CHARGE IF YOU PREFER TO BRING THEM IN.**

***If your cat seems very depressed, weak, wobbly, can't stand please contact us right away, If no immediate response, please take them to your local emergency clinic.***

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**EMERGENCY CONTACT:**

MONITORED DURING BUSINESS HOURS:           EMAIL: claremont@hotmail.ca       TEXT:  
905-490-1993    CALL: 905-649-1993

AFTER BUSINESS HOURS: VOICE MAIL:  905-649-1993 OPTION 3       EMAIL:  
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IF NO RESPONSE AND YOUR PET NEEDS EMERGENCY MEDICAL ATTENTION AFTER  
HOURS, PLEASE CONTACT YOUR LOCAL EMERGENCY CLINIC

ANIMAL EMERGENCY CLINIC OF DURHAM   905-576-3031

CAVAN HILLS VETERINARY SERVICES (24 HR)  705-944-5776

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