



Presurgical/Preanesthetic Screening Release

Presurgical bloodwork is advised for ALL patients, regardless of age

Each surgical or anesthetic procedure has some risk involved. In order to minimize any risks we can, blood, organ and heart tests are strongly advised before any anesthesia or surgery. Anesthetic agents are metabolized by the liver and kidneys, so it is very important to verify before administering anesthesia that these organs are functioning appropriately. In addition, one of the leading causes of anesthetic associated deaths is undiagnosed heart disease. If heart, organ or blood dysfunction is found before anesthesia is administered, then appropriate steps can be taken to provide for the safety of your pet.

You may elect to have these inexpensive tests done by checking the appropriate box below. **Our in house laboratory is fully equipped and staffed to perform these blood tests and electrocardiogram (ECG) screens prior to anesthesia.** The basic testing includes a ten parameter blood chemistry panel, which checks liver and kidney function, protein and blood sugar levels, and screens for anemia or dehydration. The deluxe blood work includes the basic testing plus five additional chemistry values and electrolytes (sodium, potassium & chloride), as well as a complete blood count. The ECG screen will assess your pet's heart rhythm. Testing is done here in our hospital and results will be available before your pet's anesthesia or surgery is performed. If there is any indication of an abnormality, we will either contact you before proceeding, or take those steps necessary to provide for the specific needs of your pet under anesthesia. *Performing the recommended test does not ensure a complication-free anesthetic event (some complications cannot be predicted), but it definitely decreases the risks of complications due to preexisting or underlying disease.*

All clients admitting a pet for surgery/anesthesia must select and check one of the choices below and sign and date this form.

Fee for basic blood screen alone \$78.40
Fee for basic blood screen with ECG screen \$105.55
Fee for deluxe blood screen alone \$125.40
Fee for deluxe blood screen with ECG screen \$151.60
Fee for ECG screen alone \$42.00

*These fees are in addition to surgical fees.

- Yes, I want my pet to have a basic preanesthetic blood screen alone – Minimum recommended for all patients.**
- Yes, I want my pet to have a basic preanesthetic blood and ECG screen.
- Yes, I want my pet to have a deluxe preanesthetic blood and ECG screen.
- Yes, I want my pet to have a deluxe preanesthetic blood screen alone.
- Yes, I want my pet to have a preanesthetic ECG screen alone
- No, I do not want my pet to have any preanesthetic blood or ECG screen and I understand the risks of anesthesia without preanesthetic blood screening and ECG.

Pet's Name _____

Procedure/Surgery _____

Signature: _____ Date: _____

If you have any questions please call us at (920)885-4148.