

Laparoscopic Spay

Please read the pre-operative information sheets for cats and dogs

Before the procedure we would ask you read this document carefully to give you (the owner) the information required for the elected procedure. Every surgical procedure that is undertaken carries accepted associated risks and complications. Although rare, we want you to be fully informed before you proceed.

Please read the following list of complications that can result from this procedure and ask a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns. This list is not exhaustive. Should a complication arise, owners are liable for the costs associated with the complication.

The procedure your dog will be having today is called an Ovariohysterectomy or commonly called a bitch spay. This surgical procedure involves removing the ovaries. Once this procedure has been performed it cannot be reversed. Benefits to your dog include:

1. No unwanted pregnancies
2. No further bleeding from seasons
3. Eliminates the risk of a pyometra (womb infection)
4. Can reduce the risk of mammary cancer, although the effectiveness of this is dependent on the age at which this procedure is carried out.

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1. Haemorrhage (bleeding) both during and after the procedure (inside and/or outside of the abdomen)
2. Wound infection and/or breakdown
3. Bruising and swelling
4. Seroma (pocket of fluid)
5. Pain
6. Suture material reaction

7. Risk of injury on recovery post-operatively
8. Anaesthetic complication including death
9. These risks may require conversion to open surgery.
10. General anaesthesia requires intubation which has a recognised risk of inadvertent tracheal tear
11. Ovarian remnant remaining after surgery

Please be assured that we take every precaution to minimise these risks to your pet.

