



Dog Castration

This is a surgical procedure to remove both testicles. This is done through an incision just in front of the scrotum and is done under a general anaesthetic. Dogs can be castrated from 18 weeks of age.

For this procedure your pet will only be in for the day, as the majority go home the same evening. Two days after the operation your pet will have a check up with one of the nurses, and again ten days later to have the stitches removed. All of which is included in the cost of the castrate.

Advantages for castration:

- Eliminates testicular tumours
- Greatly reduced incidence of prostate problems
- Can help with behavioural problems such as roaming, dominance, aggression and inappropriate sexual behaviour
- Reduces the incidence of Anal Adenoma (tumour around the anus)
- Reduces the incidence of Perineal Hernias

As with all procedures there is a disadvantage:

- Weight gain – castration often reduces the metabolic rate, therefore your pet is likely to need fewer calories. Weight gain can be prevented by regular exercise and feeding a “lighter diet”. We offer free advice and weight checks with our Veterinary Nurses. We recommend that you bring your pet in for his first weight check 3 months after castration. Then we can catch any weight gain early.

For further information or to book an appointment please ask one of the Veterinary team.