

Spaying and Neutering your pet

When is it time to spay or neuter your pet?

The ideal time is between 6 or 7 months or when adult k9 teeth or "fangs" have grown in. At this age your pet's organs have developed the strength to handle anesthesia. It is also a great time to avoid heat cycles for female dogs and cats, as well as spraying for male cats.

Why is spaying or neutering your pet extremely important?

For lots of reasons! Most importantly:

Female:

Greatly reduces chances of mammary cancer. (Breast Cancer) The chance of your pet getting mammary cancer is 30% when they are not spayed.

Pyometra: A serious and common infection in the uterus with intact female dogs. Without immediate treatment, it can result in death.

Males:

Greatly reduces chances of prostate cancer

Reduces serious behavioral issues. Ie: urine marking in the home, escaping and wandering from home, biting, aggression towards people and other animals.

If you are thinking about breeding your pet there are some very important factors you should consider before you attempt to breed any animal. Please consult with a veterinary professional before you decide to breed your animal.

These are just a few very important reminders to get your pet spayed or neutered as soon as medically possible. Please don't hesitate to call our office with any questions or concerns.

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