

## Information About Your Pet's Dental Procedure

A dental cleaning for a dog or cat is very similar to your own, except our pets are placed under general anesthesia. With anesthesia there are always risks, and at Burke Forest Veterinary Clinic we believe in doing everything medically possible to reduce these risks.

If your pet needs a dental, you need to schedule an appointment, as dental cleanings are scheduled 2-10 days in advance. The patient should have nothing to eat after 10:00 pm the night before his/her procedure (water is OK) and you should arrive at the hospital between 7:30 and 8:30 am the day of the dental. Please allow 10-15 minutes for the check-in process.

Patients who have never been seen at our hospital will need to schedule a 9:00am check in appointment with the doctor on the day of their procedure so that our patient may receive a full exam prior to anesthesia.

All patients will have a pre-operative blood panel run to evaluate kidney and liver functions as well as checking for anemia and dehydration. Our patients will also have an IV catheter placed and receive fluids during their procedure. This helps the body metabolize the anesthesia more easily. Patients will also receive monitoring by a licensed technician, oxygen and patient is monitored with EKG, pulse ox, respiratory rate and blood pressure readings. In the best interest of your pet and to ensure the best medical care, full mouth radiographs are included with all our dental cleanings.

When extractions are necessary, patients will usually receive pain medication and antibiotics to go home. Patients are usually able to go home the same day as their dental cleaning.

Comprehensive Exam : This charge applies if your pet has never had an exam with one of our doctors or if your pet is not up to date on an annual exam. This charge also applies if you are updating vaccines or need a doctor to evaluate your pet for any reason not related to the dental procedure.

Price List for routine dentals are as follows, prices are base prices and are subject to change. Prices DO NOT include extractions or medicine that may need to go home.