



**PETS BARN<sup>®</sup>**  
**VETERINARY CENTRE**  
**AND ANIMAL HOSPITAL**

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**GENERAL INSTRUCTIONS**  
**FOR POST-OPERATIVE CARE**

We would like to examine your pet in 3 days to check it is well and the wound is healing correctly. We exam again 10 days following the operation to remove the stitches. Please make appointments at reception. There is no charge for these examinations.

Please discourage your pet from licking or biting the wound as this can cause infection or premature removal of stitches. We can supply deterrents if this becomes a problem. Mild salt-water bathing of the wound twice daily can aid healing and helps keep the wound clean.

Please do not allow your pet to have any exercise until the stitches are removed in 10 days. Short lead walking in the garden may be allowed, but please do not allow them to jump up or over exert themselves as if too much exercise is allowed, this may cause the internal stitches to weaken.

Your pet will need a highly digestible and palatable diet following the operation. The nurse will have advised the best food to give this evening. Water should be provided in small frequent quantities. If your pet has not eaten by the day following the operation, please phone us.

The vet who operated on your pet was .....

The nurse in charge of your pet's care was .....

**If you have any queries regarding the treatment or your pet has any problems during recovery, please don't hesitate to contact us, any time.**

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