

Before Surgery Instructions

- Do not bring your cat for surgery if it is sick, stopped eating, has had seizures, or requires special anesthesia according to your breeder or regular veterinarian.
- Remove food by midnight the night before surgery except in kittens less than 6 months. For kittens less than 6 months of age, remove food the morning of surgery after they have eaten breakfast.
- Remove water the morning of surgery.
- Place the cat in a small crate Not bigger than 28L x 21W x 21H (inches)
- Only place one cat per crate. The only exception is in kittens. Kittens 3 months of age can be in a crate together (no more than 2 per crate) if they are friendly and used to handling.
- DO NOT USE LARGE DOG CRATES OR TRIANGLE CRATES OR BACKPACK CARRIERS. These crates have openings that allow cats to escape when the door is opened. If your cat comes in one of these, we will ask you to leave and bring them back in an approved crate.
- Inspect crates and be certain that your cat cannot escape. If doors do not close securely then use Zip ties to reinforce.
- Crate must be clean inside and out. If your carrier is dirty, we will ask you to clean it before leaving it with us. Only send towels and blankets that can be tossed if they get dirty or lost. We are not responsible for lost blankets.
- Label your crate with your name and your cat's name and your phone number. Duct tape and a sharpie work well.
- We highly recommend a flea treatment within one week prior to the Purple Cat surgery. We see cats from all types of family situations and some of them carry fleas. Our recommendation is Frontline which can be purchased over the counter at Farm and Fleet and other stores.
- We require all cats be vaccinated for Feline Herpes/Calici/Panleukopenia virus at least 2-3 weeks prior to the surgery appointment. Your regular veterinarian is the best person to give this vaccination and discuss the booster schedule. It is important that you develop a relationship with your local veterinarian. Alternatively, this 3-way/Distemper vaccine can be purchased over the counter at Wisconsin-based Farm and Fleet stores or online through ValleyVet.com and administered by you. Note that cats rarely have vaccine-associated allergic reactions which can be serious. You are vaccinating at your own risk. Feral cats that cannot be handled are exempt from this requirement.
- Bring the following form filled out and signed (printed off website www.purplecatvet.com)
 **Purple Cat Anesthesia Release Form (one per cat)
 Also available at the clinic location-allow extra time to fill out at drop-off
- You paid for your cat's surgery on-line and we have a record of that. If you want any optional services such as vaccines, flea treatment, ear
 mite treatment, or nail trim, please bring payment for these in cash or <u>certified check</u>. Personal checks and credit cards are not accepted
 on-site. Payment for these additional services will be collected at time of check-in. Please bring the exact amount for payment.
- We strongly advise against spay surgery on cats that are 3rd trimester pregnant. Risk of anesthesia and surgery complications (including death) are higher in this group of cats. If you do bring your very pregnant cat in for surgery, she will be spayed. You will be charged an additional \$30.

For Feral and colony cats that are not accustomed to handling by people, follow above instructions with the following additions:

- Feral cats must come in a live trap or secure small pet carrier. Not bigger than 28L x 21W x 21H (inches)
- Containing these cats 48 hours prior to surgery is often better as you have a better chance of not losing your deposit for a missing cat. Your cat will stay in this crate until their surgery.
- Large dog crates and cardboard crates are not allowed for transport to the Purple Cat clinic.
- While your cat awaits the surgery day, make sure they are kept in a warm location (70-degrees Fahrenheit) since they cannot huddle with friends to keep warm. Continue to offer them food and water until the morning of surgery.
- Tightly secure carrier to avoid escapes. Zip ties work well.
- It is okay to leave food and water in with your feral cat.
- Cover the crate with a sheet or light blanket to help reduce stress. Feliway sprayed on the blanket is strongly recommended.
- Please note all cats will need to be in a warm shelter (70 degrees Fahrenheit) for 24-48 hours following surgery. If this is not possible, please
 do not schedule until outdoor temperatures are in the 70-degree Fahrenheit range during the daytime hours.

Other surgery details found in your Surgery Confirmation Email (sent when order completed) and Reminder Email (sent the Friday before surgery)

Surgery Fees (prices subject to change without notice):

\$95 pet female cat

\$75 pet male cat

\$20 Rabies vaccine (must be at least 12 weeks of age and at least 2.8 pounds weight to receive)

\$15 3-way/Distemper vaccine

\$70 Farm/Feral/Outdoor colony cats; includes required ear tip. Rabies vaccine (if over 12 weeks age), & Distemper vaccine

\$20-\$30 additional fee for pregnant cat

\$15 Flea or ear mite treatment

\$5 Nail trim when anesthetized

^{*} Feral cats can be unpredictable. Our primary concern is your safety. Be cautious as you work with your feral and semi-feral cats. If you have any doubt about your safety, please refrain from any contact with the cat. Our staff are trained to handle aggressive cats and will handle them the morning of surgery as long as they are in an approved carrier.