



## CALGARY PET WELLNESS AND SPAY/NEUTER CLINIC

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### **HOME CARE INSTRUCTIONS: CAT SPAY/NEUTER**

- 1) Do **NOT** allow any licking of the incision. Licking may cause the incision to become infected. If your pet chews out the sutures, another surgery could be required at an additional cost to you. An E-collar (cone) should be used at all times if you see your cat licking the incision. These are available for purchase at our clinic or at any local clinic and most pet stores. Please check your cat's incision once daily and do not apply any solutions (ie: alcohol/peroxide) or ointments. If you are concerned with how your cats incision is healing and unsure whether you should come in for a recheck, please feel free to take a picture of the incision and email it to our clinic along with your contact information. Our email address is: **[email@calgaryspayandneuter.ca](mailto:email@calgaryspayandneuter.ca)**
- 2) Give a small meal when you get home (half of normal amount) and another small meal before bedtime. Not all pets want to eat after surgery and may be nauseous. If your cat will not eat or drink within 24 hours after surgery please call us (403-569-7387) to discuss a possible recheck.
- 3) Some cats can gain weight after being spayed/neutered due to a change in the body's hormones/metabolism. To prevent your pet from gaining weight after surgery, reduce the amount of food given and monitor for weight loss/gain. You should be able to feel your pet's ribs easily and see a visible tuck at the waistline. It is recommended for cats to be fed canned/moist food often (1-3x/day), +/- small amounts of kibble/dry food.

Please call with any questions or concerns about your pet. If you are concerned about the incision we will recheck it at no charge. Calgary Pet Wellness and Spay/Neuter is not responsible for any fees that may incur if you take your pet to another veterinary clinic.