

Post-Clinic Pet Care Instructions



<u>Traveling with Your Pet</u>: Some pets become car sick. It is recommended that you <u>do not feed your pet for at least 1 hour before or after traveling or allow your pet to consume large amounts of water during that time frame. Do not administer any oral medication within 2 hours of traveling. If your pet has received oral de-worming medication at our clinic and vomits within one hour after receiving the medication, please contact us so that we may provide you with an additional dose that you can administer at home. You may also request that the medication be sent home with you to decrease any chance of your pet vomiting the medication due to motion sickness.</u>

Microchipping: Microchips are implanted under the skin in between the shoulder blades. Do NOT bathe your pet or allow the implant site to become wet for 14 days after the implantation. Your pet's microchip registration has already been paid by HEART; however, it is your responsibility to REGISTER YOUR PET'S INFORMATION ON LINE and keep your contact information current with the respective microchip company. A lost pet cannot be reunited with its owner if the owner cannot be contacted! If you need assistance with the registration, simply contact the respective microchip company.

<u>Flea & Tick Control Medication</u>: Follow the product instructions which accompany the medication dispensed for your pet. Products such as NexGard and Frontline are effective for approximately 30 days. Do NOT use these products within 30 days after using another flea/tick control medication, shampoo, flea collar, or other external parasite control product, and do NOT use any other flea/tick control products within 30 days after using Frontline or NexGard.

<u>Vaccines</u>: <u>Do NOT bathe your pet within 72 hours after it receives vaccinations</u>. <u>Do NOT allow your cat to go outside until at least 72 hours after receiving a vaccination</u>. <u>Observe your pet closely for 24 hours post-vaccination</u>. Although rare, adverse reactions to vaccines can occur. Read the information on the back of your yellow Certificate of Vaccination to learn what is an adverse reaction as opposed to a normal reaction. Post vaccination, your pet may become a little lethargic (tired) or sore when the injection was given. You can give your pet BENADRYL (Diphenhydramine) (tablets or liquid) to help relieve SORENESS. <u>Do NOT give any Benadryl to your pet if it weighs under 3 pounds (lbs) and **NEVER** give your pet Tylenol... it can be FATAL! (The dosage of Benadryl listed below can also be used daily for 3 weeks to help reduce itchiness caused by other allergies).</u>

Dosing Examples:	Pet Weight	<u>Dose</u>	<u>Frequency</u>
25 mg Tablets:	12 lbs	1/4 - 1/2 tab	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days
	25 lbs	1/2 - 1 tab	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days
	50 lbs	1 - 2 tabs	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days
12.5 mg / 5 ml <u>Liquid</u> :	12 lbs	2.5 ml - 5.0 ml	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days
	25 lbs	5.0 ml - 10.0 ml	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days
	50 lbs	10.0 ml - 20.0 ml	Every 12 hours for 2 - 3 days

In the event your pet shows any symptoms of an adverse vaccine reaction such as vomiting, diarrhea, fever, severe shaking, extreme lethargy, or other abnormal behavior, immediately take it to your veterinarian or to the closest emergency pet hospital. For the health and welfare of your pet, it is important that it receives annual check-ups by a licensed veterinarian.

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