

Name: _____

Address: _____

Dear _____,

Safer Anaesthesia

Our records indicate that _____ has been booked in for surgery here at Tamworth Veterinary Hospital. Our greatest concern is the health and well being of your pet. Any surgical procedure, no matter how minor it is, that involves general anaesthesia, carries with it a small risk.

Prior to anaesthetising your pet, we will perform a thorough physical examination. However, many conditions, including disorders of the liver, kidneys or blood are not detected unless blood testing is performed. They are especially important before surgery requiring a general anaesthetic, as they help us to detect any unforeseen risk to your pet.

To increase the safety of general anaesthesia and surgery, we strongly recommend a pre-anaesthetic blood test prior to any such procedure.

The results of the pre-anaesthetic blood test will be available for us to examine before any anaesthesia is commenced.

Should any serious abnormalities appear on the blood test, we will contact you prior to any anaesthetic or surgical procedure.

- Healthy patients under 8 years of age - mini profile:**
Includes: -BUN (Kidney), Total Protein and Packed Cell Volume (Hydration, Anaemia)
- Healthy patients under 8 years of age - standard profile:**
Includes: -BUN (Kidney) -ALKP (Liver) -Glucose (Sugar) -Total Protein (Hydration)
-ALT (Liver) -Creatinine (Kidney) -Complete Blood Count (anaemia, infection, clotting)
- Geriatric patients/ Sick patients:**
Includes: All tests in healthy animal standard profile, plus
-Albumin (Protein) -Phosphorus (Kidney) -Calcium (Tumors) -Total Bilirubin (Liver)
-Amylase (Pancreas) -Cholesterol and Electrolytes

Please indicate your choice above and below and bring this form with you on surgery day:

- YES** I would like my pet to have a pre-anaesthetic blood screen.
- NO** I do not want my pet to have a pre-anaesthetic blood screen.

Signature of owner: _____ Contact no: _____

Date: _____