



## **Preparing your pet for an anaesthetic**

These are the following requirements to prepare your pet for an anaesthetic and/or surgery:

- Your pet will need to be fasted for the anaesthetic to reduce the risk of vomiting. Please remove access to all food, treats, bones etc. from 10 PM the night before the anaesthetic.
- Your pet may remain with fresh water until admission to Wagga Wagga Veterinary Hospital.
- Please present your pet for admission between 8-8:30 AM the day of scheduled anaesthetic. Pickup is usually around 4-5 pm unless advised otherwise.
- Observe animal closely the day prior to admission and report any signs of illness to the clinic.
- An admission form will be required to be completed when you drop your pet off. This can be done at time of admission. Alternatively this can be downloaded from our website or picked up from the clinic prior to admission to streamline the admissions process.
- If your pet is older than 8 years of age it is typically recommended that a pre-anaesthetic screen (blood test) be undertaken prior to the anaesthetic. Please indicate if you would like this to be done on the hospital admission form. The cost of this can be discussed with reception or veterinary staff.

If there are any questions in regards the procedure, the anaesthetic or other concerns please discuss this with the case clinician or other clinic staff.

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