



Stop The Cycle.

Spay-Neuter & Animal Wellness Clinic

High Risk Release Form

I, _____, the owner or authorized agent for the
(Please print your full name)
owner of, _____ understand the risk that he/she _____
(Please print pet's name)

will be undergoing due to anesthesia and the stress associated with surgery.

I have been advised of the potential risk factors to my pet from the following preexisting conditions:

Heartworm Disease _____ Underweight _____ Pregnancy _____
Age _____ Prior traumas _____ Infections _____ Breed _____
Predisposition _____ Heart Murmur _____ Obesity _____ Other _____

Additionally these conditions may contribute to surgical and post surgical complications such as: -
Uncontrollable hemorrhage
- Cardiac or respiratory difficulties
- Possible death

I acknowledge the increased risk of complications and that I have been advised that pre surgery testing at a full service clinic could reduce the risk of complications for my pet. I decline to postpone surgery and wish to proceed with anesthesia and surgery today. By agreeing, I release Spay-Neuter Assistance Program from any liability. I am also aware that I will be responsible for the cost of any post surgical treatment necessary.

Signature of Owner or Authorized Agent

Date

Signature of Company Witness

Below are some (not all) of the most common causes for High Risk form to be recommended. Additional conditions and breeds might require a form. We recommend you consider surgery at a full service clinic where pre surgery testing is available and anesthesia plan can be tailored to your pet's need.

CONDITION	RISK
Age (over 5 years old)	Organs may not be fully functioning, anesthesia can exacerbate this
Heart Murmur	During Anesthesia can have increased chance of cardiac issues including sudden death during or after anesthesia. A FSVC can perform tests to better assess risk and modify the drug protocol to one that is more cardiac friendly.
Heartworm Positive	During Anesthesia at an increased chance of bleeding and clots, and increased chance of cardiac issues.
Lactating (Visibly)	Increased chance of infection
Not Able to Examine	Feral cats and aggressive Pets. Unable to screen by PE for pre-existing issues that can increase risk of anesthesia and surgery.
Overweight (BCS >6)	Fat makes it more difficult for the animal to breathe, also makes uterus more friable
Underweight (Less than 5lb)	Increased chance of hypothermia and hypoglycemia
In Heat (Actively)(Dogs ONLY)	Increased chance of hemorrhage due to the increased blood volume
Pregnant	Increased chance of hemorrhage due to the increased blood volume. Increase chance of hypovolemia due to volume loss.

BREED SPECIFIC – DOGS

BREED	RISK
All Brachycephalic breeds (Boston Terrier, Bulldogs, Boxers, Lhasa Apso, Pekingese, Persia, Pug, Shih Tzu).	Higher Risk During Anesthesia due to smaller nasal passages, can have airway issues leading to respiratory complications.
Greyhounds	Can have prolonged recovery with anesthesia. Can be prone to increase bleeding leading to complications and after surgical emergency care. Blood test are recommended prior to surgery
Cavalier King Charles	Predisposed to unknown cardiac disease that can lead to sudden death. Test should be done prior to surgery to screen for issues.
Doberman	Can have an increased chance of bleeding leading to need for emergency post-surgical care. Blood test are recommended prior to surgery
Whippet	Can have an increased chance of bleeding leading to need for emergency post-surgical care.

BREED SPECIFIC – CATS

BREED	RISK
Maine Coon	Predisposed to HCM (Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy). Test are recommended prior to surgery to assess risk.
Norwegian Forest Cat	Predisposed to HCM (Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy). Test are recommended prior to surgery to assess risk.
Ragdolls	Predisposed to HCM (Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy). Test are recommended prior to surgery to assess risk.
Sphinxes	Predisposed to HCM (Hypertrophic Cardiomyopathy). Test are recommended prior to surgery to assess risk.