

**Thank You for choosing valuepetvet
to Spay or Neuter Your Rabbit**

Thank you for choosing **valuepetvet** to spay or neuter your rabbit. You've helped reduce the number of homeless animals and supported your rabbit's long-term health and happiness. Although these surgeries are common, your rabbit has still undergone a significant medical procedure and needs proper care to recover safely.

Postoperative Care Line during normal business hours: (203) 939-9590.

If your situation is urgent and you find that you need emergency assistance after hours, we recommend that you contact your local 24/hour Emergency Hospital to service your pet right away.

Important

- You must call the postoperative care line before seeking veterinary care for a surgery-related complication.
- **valuepetvet** is not responsible for costs related to conditions not caused by surgery.
- If postoperative instructions are not followed, recheck appointments or care may not be covered.

Food & Water

- Offer regular food as soon as you get home.
- If your rabbit does not eat or drink within 12 hours, call the postoperative line.

Pain Medication

Your rabbit received long-acting pain medication. Do NOT give human medications.

**FOR MORE INFORMATION ON HOW TO
KEEP YOUR PET HAPPY AND HEALTHY
AS LONG AS POSSIBLE, VISIT:**

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RABBIT SPAY/NEUTER POSTCARE



**Contact us at
(203)939-9590
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Anesthesia & Surgery Recovery

- Keep your rabbit in a quiet, enclosed area away from other pets.
- Monitor for abnormal signs after anesthesia: bleeding, persistent lethargy, loss of appetite, shivering, or unsteady gait beyond 24 hours.
- Healing takes 7-10 days. Limit activity: avoid running, jumping, or climbing.
- Call immediately if your rabbit has diarrhea, labored breathing, pale gums, or does not urinate/defecate.
- Minimize activity for 1-2 weeks. Monitor incision site daily for signs of swelling, redness, discharge or blood.
- Sutures are absorbable unless otherwise specified.
- If you are concerned about the appearance of the surgery site, or if you notice licking or chewing please call the office.

Surgery Site Care

- No external stitches; sutures are internal and dissolvable.
- Check the incision daily if possible.
- Contact the office if you see redness, discharge, odor, protruding tissue, warmth, bruising, or a growing bump.
- Do not apply products to the incision unless instructed.

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Housing During Recovery

- Keep the cage extremely clean and dry for 7-10 days.
- Use towels or paper towels to reduce debris.
- Clean urine and feces at least twice daily.

General Post-Surgery Care (First 10 Days)

- Offer food immediately. Eating, drinking, urinating, and defecating should occur within 48 hours.
- Seek immediate vet care for prolonged anorexia or extreme lethargy.
- Check the incision daily.
- Prevent licking or chewing of the site.
- Keep your rabbit indoors in a quiet space; a 4ft x 4ft pen is ideal.
- Keep bonded pairs together unless medically necessary.

Medications

- **Metacam:** Give by mouth twice per day for 5 days. This is a nonsteroidal anti-inflammatory medication.

If needed

- **Reglan** oral solution: Give by mouth every 12 hrs. until consistently eating and defecating on own.
- **Critical Care assisted feeding formula:** Give by mouth every 12 hrs. until consistently eating and defecating on own.

Male Rabbits Only

Males may remain fertile for up to 30 days after surgery. Keep them away from unspayed females for 30 days.

