

Mercer Island Veterinary Clinic Dentistry Consent for Senior Pets (7yrs and older)

Client Name _____ Pet Name _____

Today we will provide your pet with complete dental care. This includes:

- ◆ Pre-anesthetic blood screening (if not already done in the past 2 months)
- ◆ IV Catheter Placement and Fluid Therapy before, during and after the procedure
- ◆ Pre anesthetic medications and General Anesthesia with full patient monitoring
- ◆ Ultrasonic scaling of all teeth above and below the gumline
- ◆ Motorized polishing of all teeth after cleaning
- ◆ Hospitalization for the remainder of the day for anesthetic recovery and observation

The estimated price for this dentistry package is \$393 for dogs 0-40lbs, \$424 for dogs over 40 lbs or \$383 for cats*

(*This amount may decrease if bloodwork has already been completed or increase if additional treatments or medications are required. *This does not include any medications to go home, x-rays, extractions or other treatments. We can provide you with a personalized estimate at any time.*)

When you return for discharge, your pet's technician will provide a full dental record as well as digital before and after images to show the results of your pet's procedure today. She will also explain the recommended aftercare and home maintenance to keep your pet's teeth in top condition.

Dental X-rays

Many pets have a heavy buildup of tartar and calculus on the teeth, hiding teeth from view. These teeth can not be properly and thoroughly evaluated without anesthesia and cleaning. Sometimes damaged, infected or unhealthy teeth are discovered during cleaning. Compromised teeth are painful for the patient and can have serious complications.

The first step in assessing the health of compromised teeth is to take an x-ray. Dental x-rays help us see the tooth root and surrounding bone. Root and bone health help determine if a tooth can be saved or if extraction is required. On average, 1 to 4 x-rays are necessary if compromised teeth are found. The cost of these x-rays is generally between \$50 and \$150.

- I give advance consent for up to 4 x-rays of my pet's teeth today during dentistry if recommended by the doctor.
- Please call me before taking x-rays today. **I WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL TIMES BY TELEPHONE TODAY.** If you can not reach me, you have my consent to perform x-rays as recommended.

Dental Extractions

After taking x-rays, the doctor may determine that a tooth or teeth are too damaged, infected or otherwise compromised to be saved, and must be extracted. Fees for extractions can vary widely depending on the nature and condition of the tooth or teeth involved. We make every effort to save a tooth if possible, but some teeth can not be restored to health.

- I give advance consent for any necessary extractions.
I understand I am responsible for any associated additional costs associated with extractions.
- Please call me before performing extractions today.
I WILL BE AVAILABLE AT ALL TIMES BY TELEPHONE TODAY to discuss my pet's condition and give consent.

I certify I am the owner, or authorized agent of the owner, of the pet named above. I have been informed as to the nature of my pet's dentistry today and give my full and informed consent for the recommended procedure(s). I understand dentistry requires general anesthesia and there is always some risk associated with anesthesia. I have discussed my concerns with a technician or veterinarian and understand that sometimes additional medical or surgical treatments may be necessary for my pet which were not originally anticipated. I give consent for my pet to have anesthesia and treatment(s) as recommended by the veterinarian today.

Signature _____ Date _____

Primary phone today _____ Alt phone today _____