

Bladder Surgery Aftercare Information Sheet

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Surgery: Your Pet had a cystotomy performed to remove the stones from **[his/her]** bladder. A culture and stones for analysis were also obtained. Your Pet did well under anesthesia and recovered without incident.

Exercise: Limit activity for the next 2 weeks. Short leash walks are permitted on a leash. No jumping, running, or rough-housing. Do not leave your pet off the leash unattended.

Medications:

Diet: Normal.

Incision: Please check the incision for signs of infection: redness, swelling, pain or discharge. Do not allow your pet to lick at the incision. An E collar or t-shirt should be used to keep your pet from licking at the incision.

Suture Removal: The sutures can be removed in 10-14 days from the day of surgery. Please make an appointment with Dr. Bruce in that time frame.

Biopsy Results: A culture of the bladder has been submitted to the lab for analysis. These results should be available in 5-7 business days. Also, the stones were submitted for analysis. These results may take up to 1 month to return. We will call you with these results once they are available. These results may lead to further recommendations for your pet's care.

Recommendations: Closely monitor your pet at home. Your pet may have some blood in the urine for a few days. This is normal after surgery. Make sure that your pet is urinating while at home. If you notice that your pet stops urinating, or becomes lethargic and inappetent, please have them rechecked.