## **Cat Castrations**

## **Pre-operative information for Cat Castration**

**Before the procedure we would ask you to read this document carefully** to give you (the owner) the information required for the elected procedure. Every surgical procedure that is undertaken carries accepted associated risks and complications. Although rare, we want you to be fully informed before you proceed.

The procedure your cat will be having today is called a castration. This surgical procedure involves removing both testicles but leaving the scrotum in place. Once this procedure has been performed it cannot be reversed. Benefits to your cat include:

- 1. May reduces the urge to spray, and if they do the scent should be less pungent
- 2. Prevent unwanted pregnancies and may reduce the urge to roam
- 3. May reduce aggressive instincts and therefore fighting

Please read the following list of complications that can result from this procedure and ask a member of staff if you have any questions or concerns. This list is not exhaustive. Should a complication arise, owners are liable for the costs associated with the complication.

- 1. Haemorrhage (bleeding) both during and after the procedure
- 2. Wound infection and/or breakdown
- 3. Bruising and swelling
- 4. Seroma (pocket of fluid)
- 5. Damage to the penis
- 6. Risk of injury on recovery post-operatively
- 7. Anaesthetic complication including death

We take great precautions to minimise these risks to your pet.

Please ask a member of staff if you have any more queries.