

AS AN ANIMAL SHELTER ONE OF OUR MAIN PRIORITIES IS TO STERILIZE AS MANY ANIMALS AS POSSIBLE TO AVOID THE EVER INCREASING NUMBER OF UNWANTED ANIMALS.

Tuesday is sterilization day at Wollies. We encourage and welcome you to bring your dog or cat to the shelter for sterilization on any Tuesday morning. Drop off time is between 06h00 and 06h45 and the drop off place is the shelter, please see our address herein below.

We place a name tag on your furry friend in the morning and give you a form to complete (this form will accompany your animal to the vet).

Please take note that we do not have card facilities so we kindly request that you bring along the sterilization fee in cash on the morning of the drop off. We make payment to our vet on the morning of the drop off so please help us to ensure the process is as smooth as possible.

Please also take note that if your animal is pregnant or on heat, the vet might charge additional costs, please inform the staff if you may be aware or suspect that your pet may be on heat or pregnant.

The vet will also give your pet the once over and if they notice something that may be of concern to them, the vet will contact you and inform you of the point of concern, discuss same and request permission to give your pet the necessary treatment beforehand, as well as the associated costs. Should your pet have received additional medical treatment, please ensure what the costs were that were incurred and kindly bring along the vet fee in cash on the afternoon of collection of your pet.

All the animals are then collected by us and you are then welcome to come and collect your furry friend the same evening around 17h00. Please remember that if your animal is being sterilized on the Tuesday, they cannot eat or drink ANYTHING from 22h00 the previous evening. This is very important.

If you may know someone who would like to have their pet sterilized but may not be in a financial position to do so, kindly request them to contact our office for more information about our community sterilization specials.

Please encourage your friends and family to also have their pets sterilized and thank you for choosing Wollies to help your furry friend get "fixed".

We are situated on the ground of The Rondawel, 101 Rooikat Street (Mastiff Street) Hestiapark Pretoria North.

Why Sterilise?

There are a number of very important and logical reasons to Sterilise your pet, these include:

- Not enough homes for cats and dogs
- Prevention of animal cruelty and abuse
- Prevention of euthanasia of unwanted pets
- Prevention of pet overpopulation problems
- Animal shelters will not be overfull
- Elimination of testicle and ovarian cancer
- Less marking of territory by pets
- Less roaming and fights

Understanding Sterilisation

Approximately 1 million dogs and cats are euthanised per year in South Africa only.

Why?

- An unsterilised pet and its off-spring can produce over 60 000 lives in 6 years.
- Homeless and hungry strays could be aggressive and carry disease
- Repeated pregnancies cause unnecessary strain on the female cat or dog and reduces her life span
- Unsterilised bitches face an increased risk of breast cancer each time she comes on heat
- Uterus infection is common in unsterilised bitches
- Sexually active males spray or mark their territories, roam and jump fences to get to bitches on heat. They are more aggressive and prone to fighting each other.
- Unsterilised males are vulnerable to prostate disease and perianal hernias.
- There are just not enough homes for all those dogs and cats.

What your pet will not become if sterilised:

- fat after sterilisation (unless you feed too much and exercise too little; like in humans)

- have stunted growth
- there are NO benefits in letting your pet having a first litter

No female pet needs to experience motherhood. In fact it is safer to not get pregnant because Sterilisation eliminates ovarian cancer and reduces the risk of mammary tumors

Cats and Dogs never miss or care about “What might have been” instead devote themselves to their owners and live full and happy lives without parenting experience.

What is Sterilisation?

Sterilisation or “Fixing” – What is Sterilisation or “Fixing” ?

It is a short procedure done by a Vet under anaesthesia. Preferably from the age 4 – 6 months but it can also be done at a much older age.

Spaying refers to the sterilisation procedure that is done to female pets. During this surgery the reproductive organs, the ovaries, fallopian tubes and uterus are removed. She will not be able to go into heat and get pregnant. Neutering or castration refers to the sterilisation procedure for male pets. During this surgery the male reproductive organs, the testicles, are removed and he will be unable to impregnate a female.