

Mass Removal Surgery at Mill Brook Animal Clinic

What to Expect and How to Prepare

Mass removals are performed routinely at Mill Brook Animal Clinic. Because each case is unique, the procedure may differ from patient to patient. That said, the preparation and expectations for your pet's journey will typically be the same.

Pre-operative blood work

All pets should have pre-operative blood work done. This can be completed up to two months prior to the procedure. Please schedule this if not already done.

The Night Before – No food from 10pm; water is okay!

Unless you have been instructed otherwise, all pets must be fasted from 10pm the night prior to the procedure. Please allow your pet access to water! Some pets are prescribed Cerenia (anti-nausea pill) to be given at this time.

The Day of the Procedure – 8 am admission!

Admission is at 8am. After a physical exam, your pet gets their own private kennel. Pre-medications are administered. Once the procedure is completed, the anesthesia is turned off and your pet wakes up within a couple of minutes.

Recovery

All our kennels are in the treatment area so we can keep a constant eye on your pet during their recovery. We will text or call you to inform you the procedure has been completed. A couple of hours after the procedure, your pet is ready to go home.

Discharge and Home Care – Discharge is between 12pm and 3pm.

A surgery technician will review all discharge information with you and provide you with a copy in writing. Any medications to go home will be dispensed during the discharge. If we think a post-operative check is needed, we will schedule it then.

