



Select Equine Veterinary Services

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Castration - Informed Consent

Date _____ Animal's Name _____

Owner (Agent) _____ Species _____

Address _____ Breed _____

Contact Phone _____ Gender _____

As the owner or authorized agent of the owner of the above animal, I hereby give my consent to Select Equine Veterinary Services to perform the following procedure(s):

Castration

Possible complications of this procedure include:

1. Adverse events from general anesthesia, including death.
2. Shock from the procedure resulting in death.
3. Local infection at the site of surgery.
4. Excessive bleeding that may require the animal be taken to the hospital.
5. Eventration of intestines/omentum through the inguinal ring and site of castration. This almost always requires the animal be taken to the hospital.

If your animal stops eating, has a fever (horse temp > 101.5 or goat temp > 104.0), or if there is excessive swelling at the castration site, he may have developed an **infection**. If this happens, please contact our office. The doctors will most likely examine the incision site to check the drainage, and may put your animal on antibiotics.

After the castration, some **bleeding** will occur because the incisions are not sutured, and the skin vessels usually bleed. Slow dripping of blood for several hours after castration is normal. If this should change to fast dripping or a stream of blood, contact the doctors right away.

The third possible complication is intestinal **eventration**. If you should see anything abnormal hanging through the incision site, please contact the doctors immediately. The testicular cords descend from the abdomen through two openings called "inguinal rings" into the scrotum.

When the testicles are removed there is a chance that a section of intestine could drop through the inguinal rings. This complication is very rare. If you suspect this complication, keep your animal calm until the doctor arrives. After stabilization, your animal may need to be sent to a referral hospital.



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If my animal is a horse, I have received and read the handout titled "Castration" which explains the important steps to be taken over the next 2 weeks (+/-) after the procedure. The handout is also available on our web site www.selectequine.com. I understand that during the performance of this procedure(s), unforeseen conditions may be revealed that necessitate an extension or variance of the procedure(s) set forth above. I expect Select Equine Veterinary Services to use reasonable care and judgment in performing the procedure(s). The nature(s) of the procedure(s) and risks involved have been explained to me and I realize results cannot be guaranteed. I am also aware that unforeseen events resulting from the procedure(s) will not relieve me from any obligation to all reasonable costs incurred regarding the animal.

Signature of Owner(Agent)_____

Date Signed_____

Print Name of Owner (Agent)_____