

## **Ear Crop Discharge Instructions**

Ear cropping is usually a cosmetic procedure done in certain breeds of dog to transform their natural, floppy ears into erect and pointed ears.

## Make sure to follow these important instructions regarding after care for your dog/puppy:

- The surgery requires general anesthesia and the ears are trimmed to breed standards. Generally, 2-3 days after surgery your dog/puppy will completely recover from the anesthesia and return to his/her usual self.
- Your dog/puppy may not want to eat or drink anything until later on that night, but his/her appetite should return within 24 hours.
- Certain breeds may require taping and/or posting of the ears. If the
  material becomes wet or starts to come off, go ahead and carefully remove
  it. It is also important to remove posting material if the ears begin to
  develop pressure sores. If tape or posting material needs to be reapplied,
  please bring your dog/puppy back to the clinic for another application
  (additional fees may apply).
- Your dog/puppy receives pain and antibiotic injections at the time of surgery. Pain and antibiotic medication is dispensed at discharge and should be given the next day per label instructions.
- Keep your dog/puppy from scratching at the incision sites. It is very important to keep the incisions clean and dry. No bathing or swimming for at least two weeks. Activity restriction is recommended during the next 7-14 days.
- You <u>will need</u> to bring your dog/puppy back for suture removal in 14 days following the procedure.

Please let us know if you notice any redness, soreness, drainage, excessive licking, vomiting, lethargy, or poor appetite. Please call us at (912) 285-7678 with any questions or problems.

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