

Blue Ridge Animal Hospital  
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**The following are requirements, recommendations, and instructions for your pet's upcoming dental cleaning:**

Your pet will receive a full examination, gas anesthesia, bloodwork, an intravenous catheter, and pain management.

The type of bloodwork performed will be based on your pet's age. If your pet is less than 5 years a Basic Profile will be performed and if they are 5 years and older more extensive bloodwork will be performed.

Your pet will be anesthetized for the entire cleaning procedure, allowing us to be very thorough. Your pet's teeth will be cleaned with an ultrasonic scaler and polished to remove any roughness left by the scaling. Once the calculus is removed, more tooth damage and root exposure may be obvious and explain the need for any tooth extractions. Extractions will be done upon the veterinarian's discretion, unless you specifically request otherwise. We will then promote healing and reduce inflammation through the use of our Therapeutic Laser (**please see enclosed handout for more information on the benefits of laser therapy**). Finally, the teeth will receive a fluoride treatment and a dental sealant will be applied.

Your pet will be monitored with an EKG and pulse oximetry through the entire procedure, and a technician will monitor their recovery. Your pet usually is ready to be discharged by 5:00 PM.

After your pet's teeth are cleaned we highly recommend our Dental Vaccine. This vaccine fights the bad bacteria that can destroy your pet's teeth. (For Dogs Only)

Please remember that your pet should not eat after 7:00 p.m. the previous evening, but water is okay until the morning of surgery. Please bring your pet in between 8:15-9:00 a.m., and allow about 15 minutes to be checked in by a surgery technician.

If you have any questions or concerns regarding your pets' procedure, please call us before the day of surgery at 864-879-1444.

**Please try to give at least 24 hours notice if you need to cancel your pet's surgery.**

**Please read all of the above information before your pet's appointment. Please make sure to bring this paper with you to check your pet in for surgery. If someone other than yourself is bringing in your pet for surgery, please indicate on this sheet which additional services you would like us to perform, or call ahead to let us know. Thank you.**