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Neutering of Cats

Castration/Orchidectomy[Males]

Advantages

Castration helps prevent territorial behaviour such as marking i.e. spraying urine in the home and around the garden.

It also helps reduce fighting with other cats and thus reduces painful abscesses, and the risk of life threatening viruses such as Feline Leukaemia Virus[FeLV] and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus [FIV]. Neutered Tom cats reduce distance they roam & are less likely to have a road traffic accidents and to become lost.

Generally male cats become more cuddly and sociable after neutering!

Prevents unwanted kittens and helps reduce stray population.

Disadvantages

None significant. As the cat is possibly a little less active it is best to change his diet to a special neutered cat diet and or reduce food intake by 15 % to prevent weight gain!

Spey/Ovario-Hysterectomy[Females]

Advantages

Prevent unwanted pregnancies and unwanted kittens.

This also reduces the risk of catching life threatening viruses such as Feline Leukaemia Virus[FeLV] and Feline Immunodeficiency Virus [FIV].

Prevent calling which can be quite distressing for cat and owner!

Removes risk of pyometra- a life threatening womb infection(uterine infection)

Disadvantages

None significant. As the cat is possibly a little less active it is best to change his diet to a special neutered cat diet and or reduce food intake by 15 % to prevent weight gain!

Surgery

Generally the best time to operate is at around 6 months old.

We like our cats to come for a free **Adolescent Health Check** at 5-6 months old, where we perform a thorough health check. We also discuss the operation itself, the possible side effects and what to expect post op.

This is also an ideal time to **microchip** your cat as it can be done painlessly while he/she is asleep.

We will also provide a written estimate.

All operations take place at Woodborough Road, the cat is normally admitted that morning and discharged later in the day with a nurse. If it is easier cats, can be admitted the night before & kennelled. Nurses usually perform the post op check 2-3 days later.

Neutering is a discounted operation as we like to encourage and support responsible pet ownership.

Pet Health Club

The best way to save money on your cats neutering is to join our Pet Health Club which alongside it's other benefits entitles you to a 10% discount on neutering & 25% off microchipping! Ask any member of staff for details or check out our website www.oakhousevets.co.uk .

We accept most neutering vouchers from RSPCA, CPL and councils, please mention that you have a voucher at the time of booking the operation..

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