

Congratulations on your new pet!

Dr. Krueger strongly recommends that all dogs and cats are spayed/neutered at 6 months of age. There are many health and behavioral benefits that can be avoided by "fixing" your pet at an early age. The price for spaying/neutering is also least expensive when your pet is younger (and therefore smaller)

Your female dog will be dropped off at our clinic between 8am – 9:30am, and can go home with you later that same evening! Your female cat will spend the night with us (at no charge), because her anesthesia takes longer to wear off.

10 FACTS ABOUT SPAYING YOUR FEMALE PET

1. Female pets that are spayed prior to the first heat eliminate the risk of mammary cancer. Those who are spayed after a first heat have a 50% risk of developing mammary cancer. Spaying at any point in the future for the animal has no effect on minimizing mammary cancer risks.
2. Spayed females eliminate the risk of pyometra which is a common and often deadly uterine infection in unspayed females. Pyometras commonly occur in middle aged dogs and is relatively expensive when compared with the cost of spaying an animal which prevents this disease.
3. Spayed pets are less likely to roam, get lost, be hit by a car, shot by a gun, be poisoned or get picked up by animal control.
4. Female dogs in heat can stain carpets, furniture and bedding. Spaying completely eliminates this problem.
5. Female cats in heat yowl and exhibit anxious behavior that is annoying to their owners. Spaying eliminates this problem.
6. There are no health benefits for a female to go through 1 heat cycle OR to bear a litter before being spayed. Instead, the health benefits are greatest if a female pet is spayed before the first heat.
7. Spayed females won't attract fighting and bothersome intact males.
8. Puppies and kittens can be expensive, especially if you cannot find homes for all of them.
9. Spaying does not make a pet fat or lazy. Proper feeding of a spayed pet can prevent an animal from becoming overweight.
10. Spayed pets are less distracted by sexual instincts.

Approximately every 4 seconds one animal is killed by euthanasia because no one wants it. This equals approximately 15 million pets a year in the United States.